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RE: FY2008 - FY2011 Indiana State Transportation Improvement Program (INSTIP) Transit Amendment #45  
(ARRA projects)

Dear Administrators;

Please find attached Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP amendments which need to be approved and included into the FY 2008 Indiana Transportation Improvement Program. We will reflect by reference the 2009-2013 federal aid projects covered by this approval in our 2008-2011 INSTIP. The amendment resolution numbers is listed below:

- NIRPC – Resolution 09-22

We have determined that the proposed amendments are: 1) consistent with the transportation plan; 2) the TIP remains fiscally constrained in that federal funding resources are sufficient to support the new or modified projects and 3) conform to state and national air quality standards as required by the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

We request your review and approval of the subject amendment. Please contact me at (317) 232-5292 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Manager  
Office of Transit

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**RESOLUTION 09-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING  
FISCAL YEAR 2009-2013 TRANSPORTATION  
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
AMENDMENT NO. 12**

October 15, 2009

**WHEREAS**, Northwest Indiana's citizens require a safe, efficient, effective, resource-conserving regional transportation system that maintains and enhances regional mobility and contributes to improving the quality of life in Northwest Indiana; and

**WHEREAS**, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as "the Commission", being designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County area, has established a regional, comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3-C) transportation planning process to develop the unified planning work program, a transportation plan, and a transportation improvement program to facilitate federal funding for communities, counties, and transit operators, and to provide technical assistance and expertise to regional transportation interests; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission performs the above activities to satisfy regional requirements under the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, as amended, the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, the Rail Reorganization Act of 1973, the 1970 Clean Air Act, as amended, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (2005), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating transportation planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is a product of a multi-modal, 3-C transportation planning process, compatible with regional goals and objectives and socio-economic and demographic factors used to form the *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan, as amended, is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

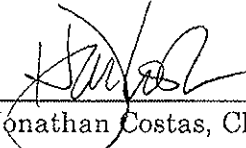
**WHEREAS**, the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program is developed by the Commission in coordination and cooperation with local elected and appointed highway and transit officials, special interest and service organizations, including users of public transit, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, the U. S. Department of Transportation Chicago Metropolitan Office, the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency;

**WHEREAS**, Northwest Indiana has been allocated significant financial resources under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (PL 111-5); and


**WHEREAS**, the changes to the FY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the Fiscal Year 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program by adding the new projects and making other changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this fifteenth day of October 2009.

  
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H. Jonathan Costas, Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
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Robert Harper, Secretary

# Northwest Indiana FFY 2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #12

## ARRA Projects: For Board Review & Approval

### Local Highway Projects

#### TIP Action: Add New ARRA Projects (Non-Urban Area)

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA ARRA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Winfield	Town-wide Signage Upgrade DES 0900860 Phase: CE/CN	2009	\$ 55,200	\$ 55,200	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #41	n/a
Winfield	Randolph St. Preventative Maintenance: 129th to 123rd Ave DES 0900862 Phase: CE/CN	2009	\$ 110,555	\$ 110,555	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #10	n/a

### Public Transit Projects: Chicago Urbanized Area FTA Section 5307 Transit Capital

#### TIP Action: Add One New ARRA Project; Delete One ARRA Project; Make Funding Adjustments

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FTA ARRA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Gary Public Transportation Corporation (GPTC)	IT Disaster Recovery System (No Changes)	2009 2010	\$ 148,500	\$ 148,500	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a
	Five (5) 35' Buses (Quantity Reduction & Funding Decrease) <i>Originally Six (6) Buses at \$1,980,000</i>	2009 2010	\$ 1,650,000	\$ 1,650,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #30	n/a
	Replacement Garage Doors (No Changes)	2009 2010	\$ 445,500	\$ 445,500	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #28	n/a
	Rehab Concrete Staging Area (No Changes)	2009 2010	\$ 297,000	\$ 297,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #28	n/a
	Regional Electronic Fare Collection System <i>(Project Deleted elsewhere in this amendment)</i>	2009 2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24, #25	n/a
	Supplemental Funds for 35th Ave Transit/Bike/Ped Project (Increase Funds)	2009 2010	\$ 43,250	\$ 43,250	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #27	n/a
	Operating Assistance (CY 2010) (NEW PROJECT)	2009 2010	\$ 1,740,750	\$ 1,740,750	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #21	n/a
GPTC Total			\$ 4,325,000	\$ 4,325,000				
Prior Awards to GPTC			\$ 3,600,000					
Additional Funds Transferred to GPTC from NIRPC/RBA			\$ 725,000					

NIRPC/RBA	Centralized Fixed Route Service Control Center: Hardware/Software Reduce Funds by \$725,000 (from \$985,000 to \$260,000)	2009 2010	\$ 260,000	\$ 260,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a
Hammons/RBA/NIRPC	Replace One Van-Based Revenue Vehicle: Increase Quantity to Two (2); Increase Funds by \$58,000 (from \$67,000 to \$125,000).	2009 2010	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #30	n/a
East Chicago	Purchase One Fork Lift Vehicle (NEW PROJECT)	2009 2010	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a

**Public Transit Projects: Chicago Urbanized Area FTA Section 5307 Transit Capital**

**TIP Action: Delete ARRA Projects**

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FHWA ARRA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
Hammond	Computers w/Printers	2009 2010	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a
Hammond	Purchase One Replacement Admin Vehicle	2009 2010	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #22	n/a
Hammond	Bus Shelters & Signage	2009 2010	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #27	n/a
Gary Public Transportation Corporation	Regional Electronic Fare Collection System	2009 2010	\$ 693,000	\$ 693,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24, #25	n/a

**Administrative Modifications**

**Public Transit Projects: Chicago Urbanized Area FTA Section 5307 Transit Capital**

**TIP Action: Funding Changes to Existing Public Transit Projects**

Applicant	Project Name	Year	Total Cost	FTA Funds	Total Non-Federal Funds	Air Quality Conformity Document Reference		In ADA Plan?
						Status	Table	
NIRPC	Subgrantee Oversight/Grant Admin 2009 & 2010--Increase from \$150,000	2009	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #21	n/a
NIRPC	Computer Hardware, Software, & Training--Reduction from \$148,500	2009	\$ 123,500	\$ 123,500	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #24	n/a
East Chicago	Bus Maintenance Equipment: Power Brush Wash w/ maintenance agreement--Reduction from \$50,000	2009	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	Exempt	Table 2, #25	n/a