July 2, 2019

Joe McGuinness
Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation
100 N Senate Ave. N955
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. McGuinness:

This letter documents the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration’s (FTA) review of Indiana’s State Fiscal Year 2020-2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the Federal Planning Finding as required under 23 CFR 450.220(b).

In order to approve the STIP document, including the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) contained by reference or directly incorporated into the STIP, FHWA and FTA must determine, through a Federal Planning Finding, that each MPO TIP is based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3-C) planning process. In addition, the Federal Planning Finding is based upon the extent that all the projects in the STIP are the result of a planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135 and 49 USC 5303 & 5304.

FHWA and FTA have identified the following strengths of the statewide and metropolitan transportation planning processes:

- The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), MPOs and transit operators worked together to establish performance measures and targets. They established routine meetings between key INDOT and MPO staff on the safety, congestion, freight, bridge, pavement, and other measures. Subcommittees were formed between INDOT, the MPOs and FHWA. INDOT incorporated the performance measures into the 2045 Long-Range Statewide Transportation Plan (LRTP), STIP and Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP). All but one of the MPOs adopted INDOT’s performance measures targets.

- The various performance measure subcommittees developed written procedures that were adopted into INDOT’s Planning Roles and Responsibilities Cooperation Operation Manual (PRRCOM). The procedures addressed how to develop and share information related to the transportation performance data, the selection of performance targets, the reporting of performance targets, the reporting of performance to be used in tracking the progress toward attainment of critical outcomes for the regions of the MPOs, and the collection of data for the state asset management plan for the National Highway System.
• INDOT held regional meetings with the MPOs and Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs) in the development of its 2045 LRTP and FY 2020-2024 STIP during late fall 2017 through early 2018.

• INDOT increased its public outreach methods by hosting a virtual town hall meeting on transportation needs as part of input into the 2045 LRTP and the STIP. INDOT employed an on-line community survey that resulted in increased feedback and expanded the number of public meetings locations on the LRTP and STIP. Finally, INDOT created a QR Scanner app for the LRTP and STIP that linked these documents for interested persons to view electronically.

• The MPOs, INDOT, US Environmental Protection Agency, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, FTA and FHWA effectively collaborated to meet the requirements of the 1997 ozone standards.

FHWA and FTA also identified the following areas for improvement in the statewide and metropolitan transportation planning processes:

• INDOT needs to ensure projects selected by its Mobility Asset Management Team are provided earlier to the Transportation Management Areas (TMAs) MPOs for analysis in Congestion Management Process (CMP) and inclusion in the MPO’s MTP.

• INDOT needs to ensure staff is knowledgeable of and fulfilling its responsibilities per the FHWA and INDOT Stewardship and Oversight Agreement and the PRRCOM. It is important INDOT follow these documents in conducting its oversight of the statewide and metropolitan planning processes.

FHWA and FTA will follow up with our observations leading to the above areas for improvement and work with you on how to best address them. In the meantime, we offer the following suggestions as possible approaches for improving the statewide and metropolitan transportation planning processes:

• We recommend INDOT work in coordination with FHWA and FTA to establish reoccurring staff and management level meetings to discuss state and federal policies, practices, procedures, and internal controls to ensure adequate stewardship and oversight of the transportation planning process in Indiana.

• We also encourage INDOT to explore and take advantage of opportunities for enhanced technical assistance, such as National Highway Institute and National Transit Institute courses on statewide and metropolitan planning and other related topics, peer exchanges, and other Transportation Planning Capacity Building program opportunities, which can be found at https://planning.dot.gov/.

This letter constitutes the documented Federal Planning Finding for Indiana’s planning process. Based on our review of the information provided, including fiscal constraint information, air
quality determinations, public involvement, and the statewide and MPO planning certifications, FHWA and FTA approves Indiana’s fiscal years 2020-2023 of the FY 2020-2024 STIP. We consider the projects in the 5th year for informational purposes as our approval is not to exceed more than four years per 23 CFR 450.218(l).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Joyce Newland with FHWA at (317) 226-5353 / joyce.newland@dot.gov or Cecilia Crenshaw with FTA at (312) 705-1268 / cecilia.crenshaw@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

Kelley Brooks
Regional Administrator
FTA Region V

Sincerely,

Mayela Sosa
Division Administrator
FHWA Indiana Division

cc: (transmitted by e-mail)
Brad Steckler, INDOT
Roy Nunnally, INDOT
Karen Hicks, INDOT
Jay Mitchell, INDOT
June 27, 2019

Ms. Mayela Sosa, Division Administrator  
FHWA Indiana Division  
575 North Pennsylvania Street, Room 254  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Ms. Kelley Brookins, Regional Administrator  
FTA Region 5  
200 West Adams Street  
Suite 320  
Chicago, IL 60606-5253

Dear Ms. Sosa/Ms. Brookins:

The Indiana Department of Transportation is pleased to submit its Draft FY 2020-2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for your offices’ review and comments.

Included in the final submitted in this document is a listing of the state’s expansion/preservation, local small urban and rural and rural transit projects. The following Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP’s will be included in the FY 2020-2024 STIP by reference, pending FHWA approval in July 2019.

| Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County (TCAPC) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Bloomington-Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMCMPO) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Delaware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission (DMMPC) * | FY 2018-2021 |
| Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Kokomo-Howard County Governmental Coordinating Council (KHCGCC) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency (KIPDA) | FY 2018-2021 |
| Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO) | FY 2020-2023 |
| Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Madison County Council of Governments (MCCOG) * | FY 2018-2021 |
| Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) * | FY 2018-2021 |
| Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC) | FY 2020-2024 |
| Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) | FY 2020-2023 |
| West Central Indiana Economic Development District (WCIEDD) | FY 2020-2024 |

* These MPO TIPs are undergoing formal Air Quality conformity prior to final approval.

In addition, INDOT has expanded our public involvement process to include not only our district public meetings but post the draft STIP document on the website www.in.gov/indot/stip along with opportunity to
submit comments online. This process has afforded access to those who otherwise would be unable to attend our meetings.

We greatly appreciate you and your staff in this process and look forward to working together to achieve our mutual goals.

Should you have any questions pertaining to this amendment, please contact Michael McNeil, STIP Specialist at (317) 232-0223 or at mmcneil@indot.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness
INDOT Commissioner

Enclosure: FHWA & FTA's Analysis of Indiana's 2020-2024 STIP

cc: (w/enclosure): Alexandria Burns, FTA
    Dan Brassard, INDOT
    Heather Kennedy, INDOT
    Jim Stark, INDOT
    Kathy Eaton-McKalip, INDOT
    Brad Steckler, INDOT
    Roy Nunnally, INDOT
    Larry Buckel, INDOT
    Jay Mitchell, INDOT
    Jason Casteel, INDOT
June 20, 2019

Ms. Sallie Fahey, Executive Director
Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County
20 North Third Street
Lafayette, IN 47901

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Ms. Fahey:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County (TCAPC). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN

cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Robert Dirks
    Michael McNeil
    Shane Spears
    MaceyWalden
    File
June 20, 2019

Mr. Patrick Martin, Senior Transportation Planner
Bloomington-Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization
401 North Morton Street, Suite 130
Bloomington, IN 47402

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Martin:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Bloomington-Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMCMPO). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN
cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Erica Tait
    Michael McNeil
    Tony McClellan
    Robin Bolte/Karlei Metcalf
    File
June 20, 2019

Ms. Laura Thayer, AICP, Director
Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
123 Washington Street
Columbus, IN 47201

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Ms. Thayer:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN
cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Erica Tait
    Michael McNeil
    Tony McClellan
    Robin Bolte/Karlei Metcalf
    File

www.in.gov/dot/
An Equal Opportunity Employer
June 20, 2019

Mr. Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Executive Director
Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization
1 Northwest Martin King Boulevard,
Civil Center Complex, Room 316
Evansville, IN 47708

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Shokouhzadeh:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Erica Tait
    Michael McNeil
    Rusty Fowler
    Terri Sollman
    File

www.in.gov/dot/
An Equal Opportunity Employer
June 27, 2019

Ms. Tammy Corn, Executive Director
Kokomo Howard County Government Coordinating Council
219 E Sycamore Street
Kokomo IN 46901

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Ms. Corn:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Kokomo Howard County Government Coordinating Council (KHGCC). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Robert Dirks
    Michael McNeil
    Shane Spears
    Macey Walden
    File
June 20, 2019

Ms. Anna Gremling, Executive Director
Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization
City County Building, Suite 1922
200 East Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Ms. Gremling:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN

c: Heather Kennedy
Brad Steckler
Roy Nunnally
Adam Makuley
Robert Dirks
Michael McNeil
Clark Packer
Scott Bailey
File
June 27, 2019

Mr. James Turnwald, Executive Director
Michiana Area Council of Governments
277 W. Jefferson Blvd.
South Bend IN 46601

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Turnwald:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN

cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Joyce Newland
    Michael McNeil
    Todd Johnson
    Mick Ruach
    File
June 20, 2019

Mr. Daniel Avery, Executive Director
Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council
200 East Berry Street, Suite 230
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Avery:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN
cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Joyce Newland
    Michael McNeil
    Todd Johnson
    Mick Ruach
    File
June 20, 2019

Mr. Mark Policinski, Executive Director
Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments
720 East Pete Rose Way, Suite 420
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Policinski:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program for the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2023 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN

cc: Heather Kennedy
    Brad Steckler
    Roy Nunnally
    Adam Makuley
    Erica Tait
    Michael McNeil
    Tony McClellan
    Robin Bolte/Karlei Metcalf
    File
June 20, 2019

Mr. Jeremy Weir, Director Transpotation Planning
West Central Indiana Economic Development District
1718 Wabash Avenue
Terre Haute, IN 47808

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Approval

Dear Mr. Wier:

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has completed its review of the FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the West Central Indiana Economic Development District (WCIEDD). State and locally initiated transportation projects were reviewed for accuracy and compliance under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST Act).

It is my pleasure to inform you that on behalf of Governor Eric Holcomb, I approve your FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. This document will serve as support for the local and INDOT projects in your area that fall within the FY 2020-2024 timeline and will be included by reference in the FY 2020-2024 Indiana Statewide Improvement Program (STIP). However, projects not shown by reference will be amended into the STIP upon request.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Roy Nunnally at 317-234-1692.

Sincerely,

Joe McGuinness, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

JM/EN

cc:  Heather Kennedy
     Brad Steckler
     Roy Nunnally
     Adam Makuley
     Robert Dirks
     Michael McNeil
     Shane Spears
     Macey Walden
     File