

## **RESOLUTION 21-09**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING NWI 2050 AMENDMENT NO. 2 April 15, 2021

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 requirements of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015 (PL 114-94), applicable portions of all prior federal transportation program authorizing legislation, as well as other federal, state, and local laws mandating or authorizing transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, NWI 2050 is a product of a multi-modal, 3-C transportation planning process, compatible with regional goals and objectives and socio-economic and demographic factors; and

WHEREAS, NWI 2050 is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, *NWI 2050* 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. Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Federal Transit Administration, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, the changes to *NWI* 2050 brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG); and

WHEREAS, the changes to *NWI 2050* brought about by this amendment were subjected to public comment in the manner prescribed by the 2019 Public Participation Plan, and comments were responded to in accordance with the 2019 Public Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Policy Committee (TPC) has recommended that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission make these changes to *NWI 2050*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends *NWI 2050* by making the changes as shown on the attachment to this resolution.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this fifteenth day of April, 2021.

George H. Topoll Chairperson

ATTEST:

Richard Hardaway

Secretary

## NWI 2050 Plan Amendment

## Changes to the *NWI 2050* Plan:

Page Number	Original Text/Location	Amended Text/Location
159	US 41 Added Center Lane Turn Lane: End Point: SR2	REVISE US 41 Added Center Lane Turn Lane: End Point: 135th PI
159	Main St. Extension – <i>Complete by</i> 2030	MOVE to Page 160 – <i>Complete by</i> 2040
159	Not shown	ADD Cline Avenue Gap Extension from 93 <sup>rd</sup> Ave to 101 <sup>st</sup> Ave in St. John; 2028 Federal Cost \$8,100,000 – <i>Complete by 2030</i>
160	Not shown	ADD Willowcreek Road Extension from SR 130 to US 30; 2032 Federal Cost \$39,900,000 - <i>Complete by 2040</i>