

## **RESOLUTION 19-24**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO ADOPT THE ENGAGE NWI PUBLIC PARTICIATION PLAN.

## August 15, 2019

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

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as "the Commission", being designated the Metropolitan Planning (MPO) for the Lake, Porter, and LaPorte County area, has established a regional, comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3-C) 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, including the adoption and utilization of a Public Participation Plan compliant with 23 CFR 450.316; and

**WHEREAS**, the Engage NWI Public Participation Plan was developed with input from the Outreach Committee, a FHWA Peer Exchange of like MPOs, four public meetings, and a 45-day public comment period.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the Engage NWI Public Participation Plan.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this fifteenth day of August, 2019.

Diane Noll

Chairperson

ATTEST:

George Topoll Secretary