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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THAT PROJECT?

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this document is to publicize the transportation projects that were implemented in Northwest Indiana in 2007 and 2008. Although federal regulations require that all Metropolitan Planning Organizations publish an annual list of projects, this document exceeds the minimum requirements for such a list. The goal is to speak to the citizen who is unfamiliar with the transportation planning and implementation process or is concerned about the final destination of federal and local tax dollars. To that extent, NIRPC has included visual references such as maps and photographs. Thanks to the cooperation of the transit operators, cities, towns and counties in the Lake, Porter, LaPorte County region, and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), the information is as complete and accurate as it can be. Please contact the NIRPC office if there are any questions.

Definitions

The term “implementation” means that either the project was in an approved grant, a contract was let for the project, or that construction actually began. The term “year” in this report usually refers to the calendar year (January thru December), but may refer to the State Program Year (July through June) or Federal Fiscal Year (October through September).

THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING PROCESS IN NORTHWESTERN INDIANA

Introduction

The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) was created by state statute in 1966. It is a multi-purpose, area-wide planning agency representing the 741,468 people (2000 Census) in Lake, LaPorte and Porter Counties. The agency is a cooperative of local governments that represent the communities and counties of Northwest Indiana and the Governor of the State. NIRPC's membership was expanded in a law passed by the 2003 Indiana General Assembly and signed by the Governor. It gives voting rights on the 53-member Commission to elected officials who represent the counties, cities, and towns in the three-county area. The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) and transit operators continue to participate on the Commission as non-voting members, and fully partake in its activities and discussions. NIRPC was designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization in 1975, and conducts the metropolitan area transportation planning process for the three-county region. The transportation planning process remains certified by the United States Department of Transportation with NIRPC having undergone its most recent Federal Planning Certification Review in 2005. The field review portion of the 2009 Certification Review was completed in May, 2009; a final report is scheduled to be released by the federal agencies in September, 2009.

Transportation Plan

NIRPC is responsible for developing a 20-year, regional, transportation plan for Northwest Indiana. The *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan was adopted in 2004 and updated in 2007 to achieve compliance with Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA-LU). The Plan identifies a network of multi-modal, regionally significant transportation corridors, within which projects will be implemented that will cost-effectively improve access, safety and mobility in the region. The Plan underwent extensive public input and review during its development. It contains adopted goals, strategies and policies that determine which projects or kinds of projects will be programmed and implemented. In addition, the Plan specifically identifies all expansion projects, both transit and highway.

Transportation Improvement Program

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the means of implementing the Plan. It is a 3-5 year program of public transit, highway and trail projects that will be funded with federal transportation dollars in the three counties. The list includes 5 years of local highway and public transit projects and 3 years of state highway projects. NIRPC's own policies oblige it to update or replace the TIP every 2 years—with amendments adopted between updates. The projects listed in this report were part of either the 2005-2010 or the 2008-2011 TIP.

To be placed on the TIP, individual projects are sponsored by a local government (a city, town or county), a public agency (such as a transit operator) or the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT). When ready for programming, local highway and transit projects are evaluated and ranked according to criteria that is based on the Plan. Project selection criteria relate to access issues, travel time, safety, congestion, air quality, and the effect on minority and low-income communities. In addition, projects must be located within a regionally-significant corridor identified in the Plan.

Both the Plan and the TIP have to be fiscally constrained; that is, there must be a reasonable expectation that the projects that are identified will have the necessary federal and local funding. Indiana receives about \$800 million in federal highway funds annually. INDOT historically retains 75% of those funds to spend on its state and federal highway systems. The remaining 25% goes to local projects in urban and rural areas throughout the state. NIRPC annually controls about \$12 million in federal highway funds, another \$19 million in federal transit funds, and about \$3 million from the federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality program. The typical share for each capital project is 80% federal funds, and 20% local or state funds. The transportation plan requires that the “investment priority” be given to preservation and maintenance activities—only 30% of the highway funds and 2% of transit funds that NIRPC controls are targeted to expand the transportation system.

In 2007, about \$334 million was spent on federally-supported transportation projects in the three-county area, a more than \$180 million increase from 2006. In 2008, this figure dropped to \$267 million. These totals reflect the value of all state and local transportation project investments.

Public Involvement in these Projects

Public involvement and outreach is an ongoing process and an integral part of the NIRPC planning and programming activities. NIRPC adopted a new Public Involvement Plan (PIP) in 1998, the recommendations of which were followed during the development of projects listed in this report. The PIP was then updated in 2005 and 2007. There has been increased outreach by NIRPC in recent years, which was heightened during development of the *Connections 2030* Regional Transportation Plan and the 2005-2010 and 2008-2011 TIPs as well as their amendments. Comments received from the public are considered before planning and programming actions are taken. Public meetings are held at various places around the three-county area at locations that are accessible to people with disabilities. Increasingly, general public meetings at critical times in the planning process are held at transit accessible locations, and often within low-income and minority areas. More newsletters, open houses, public meetings and media attention were focused on the *Connections 2030* transportation planning process than ever before, resulting in greater participation and a better plan.

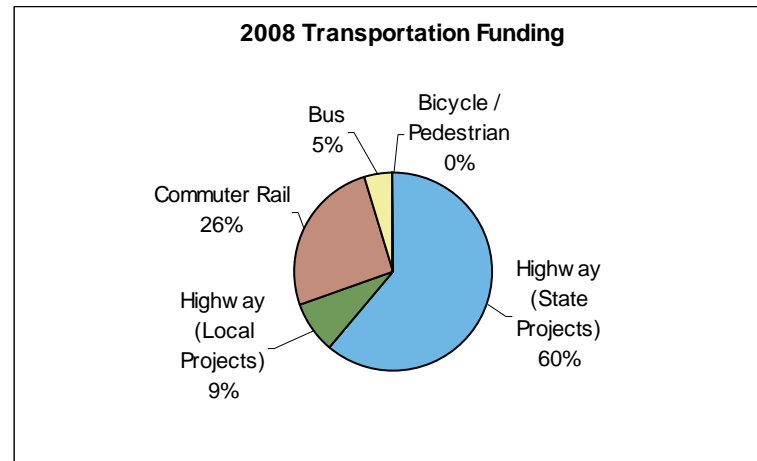
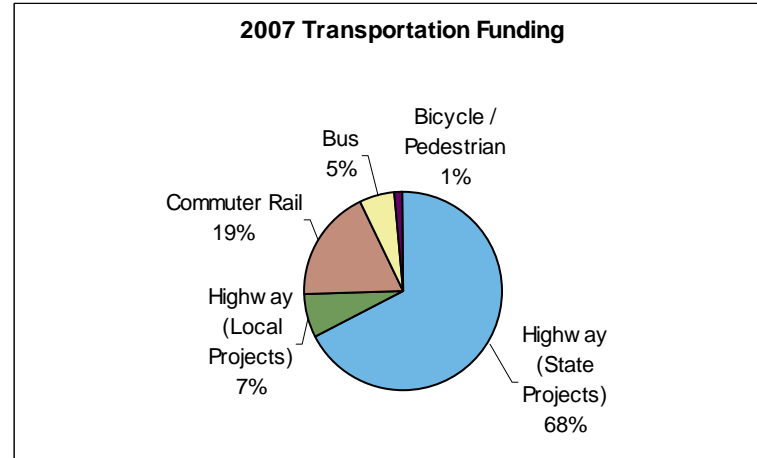
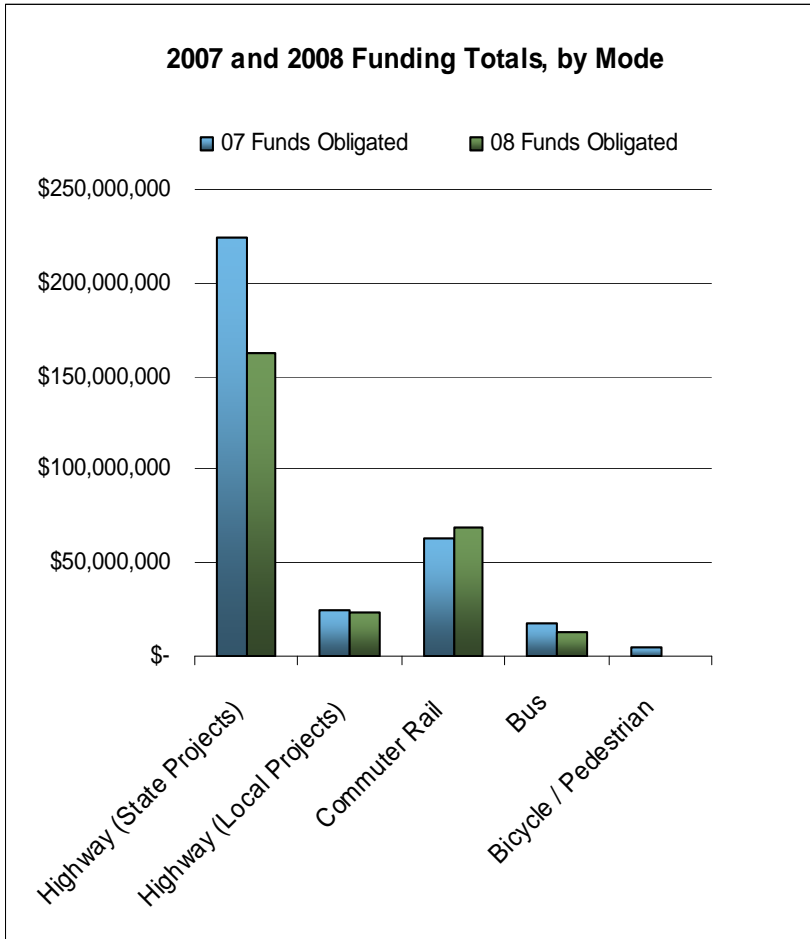
The 2040 Comprehensive Regional Planning process that began in 2008 is expanding public outreach and involvement even further. On December 6, 2008 in Merrillville, 500 people participated in the kick-off event, a daylong visioning session called *A Forum on the Future of Northwest Indiana*, and workshops throughout the three counties are generating additional data for the plan. Information and public involvement opportunities are posted on www.nirpc.org.

Summary of Projects

Project Summary by County and Type	2007			2008		
	07 Projects	07 Funds	% of Total Funds	08 Projects	08 Funds	% of Total Funds
Lake County						
Highway	24	\$185,573,963	56%	18	\$148,032,000	55%
Transit	38	\$13,206,389	4%	28	\$17,344,568	6%
Bike / Pedestrian	2	\$3,642,531	1%	0	\$0	0%
Total	64	\$202,422,883	61%	46	\$165,376,568	62%
LaPorte County						
Highway	5	\$17,451,134	5%	12	\$12,595,225	5%
Transit	5	\$3,440,176	1%	8	\$42,678,124	16%
Bike / Pedestrian	0	\$0	0%	0	\$0	0%
Total	10	\$20,891,309	6%	20	\$55,273,348	21%
Porter County						
Highway	10	\$45,343,796	14%	14	\$22,884,816	9%
Transit	20	\$2,380,686	1%	12	\$2,296,727	1%
Bike / Pedestrian	1	\$1,365,209	0.4%	0	\$0	0.0%
Total	31	\$49,089,691	15%	26	\$25,181,543	9%
Multiple Counties						
Highway	0	\$0	0%	2	\$2,534,840	1%
Transit*	12	\$61,516,075	18%	9	\$19,376,062	7%
Bike / Pedestrian	0	\$0	0%	0	\$0	0%
Total	12	\$61,516,075	18%	11	\$21,910,902	8%
Northwest Indiana						
Highway	39	\$248,368,892	74%	46	\$186,046,880	69%
Transit*	75	\$80,543,325	24%	57	\$81,695,481	31%
Bike / Pedestrian	3	\$5,007,740	1%	0	\$0	0%
Total	117	\$333,919,957	100%	103	\$267,742,361	100%

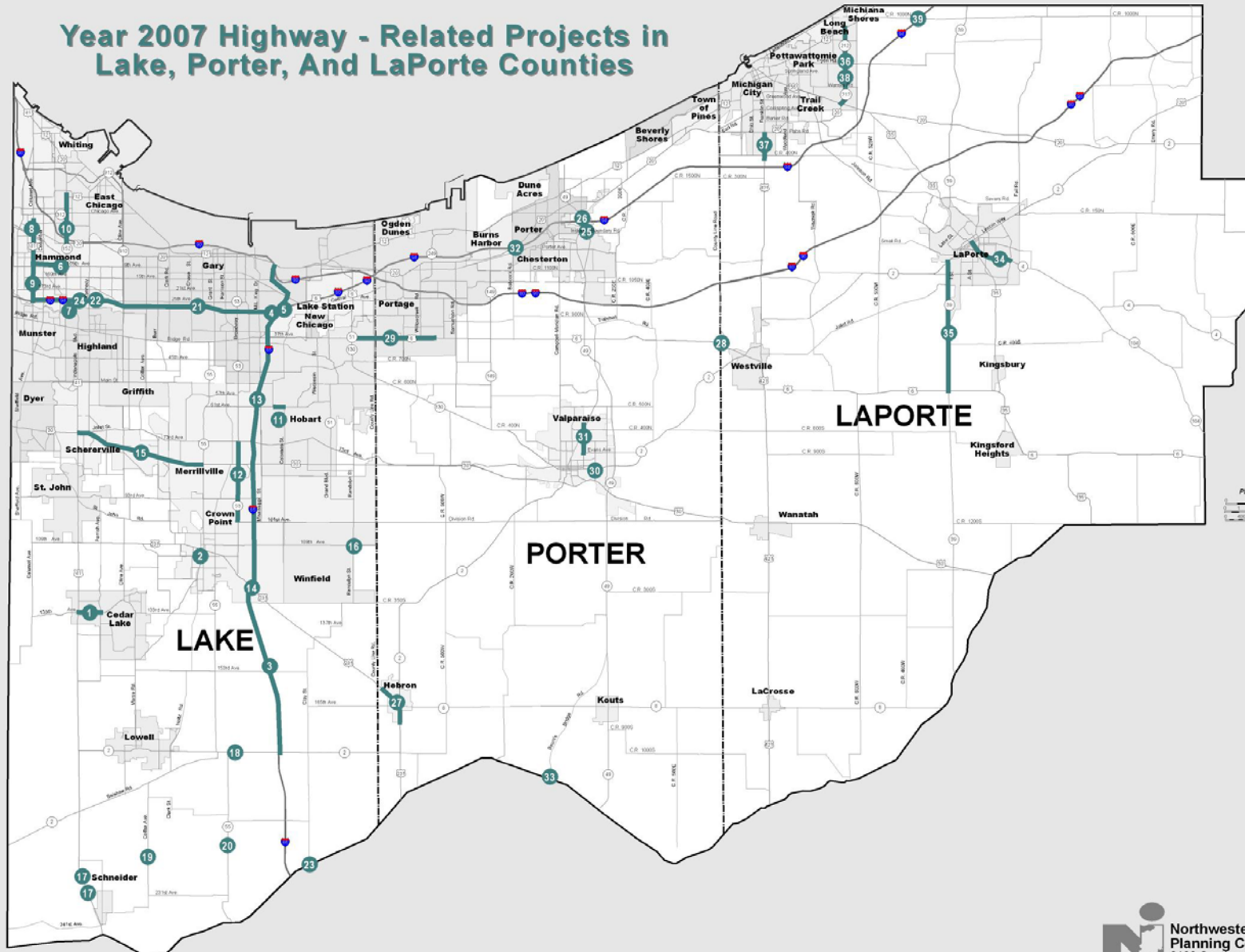
*The \$7.5 million NICTD project at Kensington Junction in Chicago, IL is included in the 2008 *Multiple Counties* category.

In both 2007 and 2008, highway projects received the highest proportion of federal transportation dollars spent in Northwest Indiana, which is reflected in the *Project Summary by County and Type* chart on the previous page. However, as noted in the introduction, NIRPC possesses programming authority over only a fraction of the total federal transportation money that enters the region. The balance is controlled by the Indiana Department of Transportation and spent on state projects, which in 2007 and 2008 included major construction projects on Interstates 80/94 and 65. The distribution is illustrated below.



2007 HIGHWAY AND BICYCLE PROJECTS

Year 2007 Highway - Related Projects in Lake, Porter, And LaPorte Counties



Highway Related Projects in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties, Indiana in 2007

Map Code	INDOT Designation Number	Route Number or Street Name	Municipality	Activity Type	Project Description	Location	Total Construction Cost
LAKE COUNTY							
1	9503540	133rd Street	Cedar Lake	Preservation / Maintenance	Pavement Rehab & Repair	133rd St. from Wicker to Parish	\$ 3,871,629
2	0600182	SR-55	Crown Point	Preservation / Maintenance	New Signal Installation	SR-55 at Greenview Pl. & Larkspur	\$ 238,302
3	0710499	I-65	Crown Point	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Patching	I-65 from SR-2 to US-231	\$ 244,817
4	0500590	I-65	Gary	Preservation / Maintenance	Interchange Modification	I-65 @ I-80 Interchange	\$ 46,228,000
5	0065300	I-65	Gary	Preservation / Maintenance	Interchange Modification	I-65 @ I-94 Interchange	\$ 45,922,865
6	0090160	165th Street	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Pavement Rehab & Repair	165th St. from Calumet Ave. to Indianapolis Blvd.	\$ 4,509,794
7	0600316	US-41	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Road Reconstruction	US-41 from 0.45 mi. south of I-80 to 0.15 mi. south of I-80 (Cabela's)	\$ 3,969,627
8	996587A	US-41	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Pavement Replace & Signal Modification	US-41 from north of Highland St. to .34 mi. north of SR-312	\$ 1,548,782
9	8665870	US-41	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Median Construction & Signal Modification	US-41 from north of I-80 to 2.16 mi. south of SR-312	\$ 11,543,438
10	050127	US-20	Hammond, East Chicago	Preservation / Maintenance	Resurfacing	US-20 from US-12 to SR-152	\$ 893,083
11	088390	61st Avenue	Hobart	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	61st Ave. from Liverpool to Colorado	\$ 6,867,971
12	8574160	SR-53	Merrillville	Preservation / Maintenance	Median Construction & Signal Modification	SR-53 from .94 mi. north of US-30 to 2.25 mi. north of US-30	\$ 8,340,834
13	0710005	I-65	Merrillville, Hobart, Gary	Preservation / Maintenance	Roadside Mowing	I-65 from SR-2 to US-20	\$ 52,750
14	0600722	US-231	near Crown Point	Preservation / Maintenance	New Signal Installation	US-231 at I-65	\$ 214,239

15	0400229	US-30	Schererville, Merrillville	Preservation / Maintenance	Resurfacing & Installation of Signage	US-30 from US-41 to SR-55	\$ 45,228,000
16	9707980	109th Avenue	Winfield	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	109th Ave. at Randolph St.	\$ 929,705
17	010145	US-41		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Repair	US-41 over Singleton Ditch & Brown Ditch	\$ 1,253,130
18	9611240	SR-2		Preservation / Maintenance	New Bridge	SR-2 over Greisel Ditch	\$ 1,069,743
19	0300786	Colfax Street		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Replacement	Colfax St. over Singleton Ditch	\$ 855,461
20	0501164	SR-55		Preservation / Maintenance	Pipe Lining	SR-55 3.68 mi. south of SR-2	\$ 29,859
21	0500579	I-80		Preservation / Maintenance	Line Painting	I-80 from Calumet Ave. to I-65	\$ 137,650
22	0710081	I-80		Preservation / Maintenance	Concrete Pavement Restoration	I-80 from Calumet Ave. to 0.52 mi. west of SR-912	\$ 418,986
23	0090170	Clay Street		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Replacement	Lake Co. Bridge #4 on Clay St. over Kankakee River	\$ 786,313
24	0710081	I-80		Preservation / Maintenance	Concrete Pavement Restoration	On I-80 from Calumet Ave. to 0.52 Mile west of Cline Ave.	\$ 418,986

PORTER COUNTY

25	0014090	SR-49	Chesterton	Preservation / Maintenance	Safety Revisions/Signal Modification	SR-49 at southwest ramp from I-94 & at Indian Boundary Rd.	\$ 1,147,380
26	0300348	I-94	Chesterton	Transportation Enhancement	Wildflower Beautification	I-94 at SR-49	\$ 95,136
27	9682090	SR-2	Hebron	Preservation / Maintenance	Major pavement project	Main Street from south town limits to north town limits	\$ 9,985,335
28	9703410	US-6	Near Westville	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	US-6 at Porter and La Porte County Line	\$ 917,737
29	9229935	US-6	Portage	Expansion	Added Travel Lanes	US-6 from 0.36 mi. east of SR-51 to Scottsdale Rd.	\$ 23,201,679
30	9800910	SR-130	Valparaiso	Expansion	Added Travel Lanes	SR-130 at LaPorte St.	\$ 3,239,827
31	9683160	Valparaiso Street	Valparaiso	Preservation / Maintenance	Road Reconstruction	Valparaiso St. from Evans Ave. to Herta St.	\$ 5,983,328
32	0600269	I-94		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Joint Repair	on I-94 westbound over US-20 & Willow Ck.	\$ 508,373

33	0301013	County Road 50W		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Replacement	Porter Co. Br. #58 on CR50W over Kankakee River	\$ 265,000
LAPORTE COUNTY							
34	9611300	SR-4	La Porte	Preservation / Maintenance	Road Reconstruction	SR-4 from SR-2 to Boyd Blvd.	\$ 13,349,953
35	0501264	SR-39	La Porte	Preservation / Maintenance	Resurfacing	SR-39 from US-6 to SR-2	\$ 779,108
36	0501266	SR-212	Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	Resurfacing	SR-212 from US-20 to US-12	\$ 734,753
37	0501265	US-421	Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	Resurfacing	US-421 from 0.1 mi. south of CR- 400N to 0.1 mi. south of US-20	\$ 397,751
38	0201260	SR-212	Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Superstructure Replacement	SR-212 over NICTD RR	\$ 1,992,325
39	501283	I-94		Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Painting	CR-1000N over I-94	\$ 197,244
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTIES							\$ 248,368,892

Bicycle and Pedestrian Related Projects in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties, Indiana in 2007

Map Code	INDOT Designation Number	Route Number or Street Name	Municipality	Activity Type	Project Description	Location	Total Construction Cost
LAKE COUNTY							
1	9945062		St. John	Expansion	Bike/Pedestrian Facility	Connecting town subdivision to proposed ice rink and recreation center	\$ 1,262,800
2	0400754	Oak Savannah	Hobart	Expansion	Bike Path	Lake George/Oak Savannah Trail System	\$ 2,379,731
PORTER COUNTY							
3	0089260	N&W RR	Portage	Expansion	Bike Path	Along abandoned N&W RR	\$ 1,365,209
4		V-Line	Valparaiso	Transit Amenities		Sidewalks along transit routes	\$ 112,500
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTIES							\$ 5,120,240

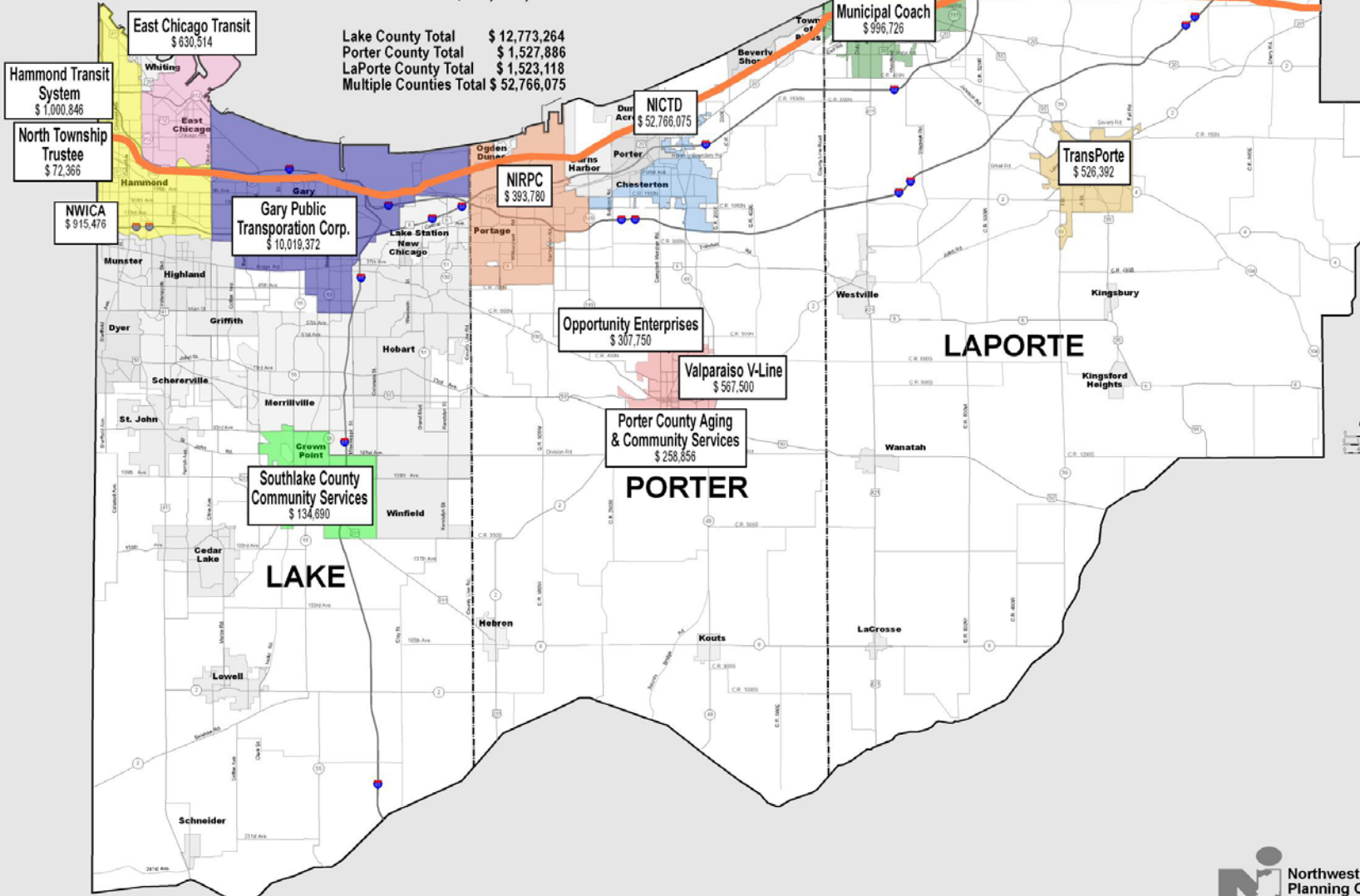
2007 TRANSIT PROJECTS

**US Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funded Projects
Obligated in 2007**

Lake County total	\$ 12,773,264
Porter County total	\$ 1,527,886
LaPorte County total	\$ 1,523,118
Multiple Counties total	\$ 52,766,075
Northwest Indiana total	\$ 68,590,343

Operator	Amount	Location
South Lake Co. Community Svcs.	\$ 134,690	Crown Point
NWICA	\$ 915,476	Crown Point
East Chicago Transit	\$ 630,514	East Chicago
Gary Public Transportation Corp.	\$ 10,019,372	Gary
Hammond Transit	\$ 1,000,846	Hammond
North Township Dial-a-Ride	\$ 72,366	Hammond
 NICTD	 \$ 52,766,075	 Multiple Counties
 NIRPC	 \$ 393,780	 Portage
Opportunity Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 307,750	Valparaiso
Porter Co. Comm. Svcs.	\$ 258,856	Valparaiso
Valparaiso V-Line	\$ 567,500	Valparaiso
 TransPorte	 \$ 526,392	 LaPorte
Michigan City Municipal Coach	\$ 996,726	Michigan City

**US Federal Transit Administration (FTA)-Funded Projects Obligated in
Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties
Year: 2007
Grand Total: \$ 68,590,343**



Transit Projects in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties, Indiana in 2007

Location	Transit Operator	Project Type	Project Description	Total Cost
LAKE COUNTY				
Crown Point	Northwest Indiana Community Action Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 401,476
Crown Point	Northwest Indiana Community Action Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicles Quantity: 4	\$ 264,000
Crown Point	Northwest Indiana Community Action Corp.	Transit Amenities	ITS/Automated Vehicle Location System Expansion Purchase Additional on-board ITS Equipment	\$ 250,000
Crown Point	South Lake County Community Services, Inc.	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 61,190
Crown Point	South Lake County Community Services, Inc.	Revenue Vehicles	Expansion Revenue Vehicle	\$ 66,000
Crown Point	South Lake County Community Services, Inc.	Transit Amenities	On-Board Camera Surveillance System	\$ 7,500
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 299,264
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2007	\$ 106,250
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Transit Amenities	"Talking Bus" Retrofit of up to Eight Buses	\$ 100,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Non-Revenue Equipment	Mechanical Equipment	\$ 40,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Non-Revenue Equipment	IT Equipment	\$ 25,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Non-Revenue Equipment	Office Equipment	\$ 20,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Non-Revenue Vehicle	Replace Administrative Vehicle Quantity: 1	\$ 40,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Electric Doors at Adam Benjamin MC and Operations Facility - Transit Enhancement 2007	\$ 52,444
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Non-Revenue Equipment	Acquire Mobile Surveillance/Security Equipment	\$ 52,444
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 3,232,780
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2007	\$ 697,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Acquire/Install light poles/lights at Adam Benjamin MC.	\$ 31,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Non-Revenue Equipment	Purchase Bus Maintenance Equipment Steam cleaner, brake lathe, tire changer, more	\$ 103,750
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Planning	Implement Service Efficiency/Effectiveness Changes GPTC Planning 2007	\$ 100,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Non-Revenue Equipment	Purchase new communications console for dispatcher	\$ 725,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Non Fixed Route ADA Paratransit Service (2006)	\$ 374,995
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase Paratransit Vans Quantity: 5	\$ 500,000

Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Construct - Furniture & Graphics (Pedestrian Access/Walkways)	\$ 715,435
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase Replacement 35' Buses Quantity: 2	\$ 636,691
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase Replacement <30' Buses Quantity: 2	\$ 215,371
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Non-Revenue Equipment	Acquire Mobile Surveillance/Security Equipment	\$ 155,743
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Acquire Bus Passenger Shelters Quantity: 50	\$ 442,745
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Construct Bus Passenger Shelters. Quantity: 50	\$ 250,000
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Transit Amenities	Acquire Mobile Fare Collection Equipment	\$ 287,500
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase Replacement 35' Bus (Like Kind Exchange) Quantity: 1	\$ 313,147
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase Replacement 40' Buses (Like Kind Exchange) Quantity: 3	\$ 955,827
Gary	Gary Public Transportation Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Fund Substitution: Purchase Replacement 30' Diesel Buses Quantity: 2	\$ 177,500
Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Capital Cost of Contracting 2007	\$ 838,346
Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 75,000
Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2007	\$ 87,500
NICTD		Transit Amenities	Gary Airport/NICTD Clark Rd Station Modernization	\$ 433,125
North Township	North Township Dial-A-Ride	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 72,366

PORTER COUNTY

Portage	NIRPC	Planning	Subgrantee Oversight/Administration 2007	\$ 293,780
Portage	NIRPC	Planning	MPO Transit Planning (Primarily Local Assistance)	\$ 100,000
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises, Inc.	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 109,750
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises, Inc.	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicles Quantity: 3	\$ 198,000
Valparaiso	Porter Aging & Community Services	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2007	\$ 95,515
Valparaiso	Porter Aging & Community Services	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicles Quantity: 2	\$ 91,000
Valparaiso	Porter Aging & Community Services	Non-Revenue Equipment	Replace Desktop Computers/Printers Quantity: 2	\$ 5,000
Valparaiso	Porter Aging & Community Services	Non-Revenue Equipment	Purchase Computerized Route Scheduling Software	\$ 54,841
Valparaiso	Porter Aging & Community Services	Non-Revenue Equipment	Outdoor Lighting & Security System	\$ 12,500
Valparaiso	V-Line	Planning	City-wide Bus Service (Year 1 of 3), New transit service funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 740,300
Valparaiso	V-Line	Transit Amenities	Sidewalk/Accessibility Improvements @ Bus Stops New Service Start-up	\$ 150,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Transit Amenities	Bus Stop Signs & Shelters New Service Startup	\$ 8,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Revenue Vehicles	Revenue Vehicles for New Service Quantity: 3	\$ 195,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Revenue Vehicles	Revenue Vehicles for New Service Quantity: 2	\$ 100,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Non-Revenue Vehicles	Non-Revenue Vehicle for New Service Quantity: 1	\$ 20,000

Valparaiso	V-Line	Transit Amenities	Bus Stop Signs & Shelters	\$ 14,500
Valparaiso	V-Line	Non-Revenue Equipment	Bus Maintenance Equipment	\$ 30,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Planning	Marketing & Public Information Development	\$ 50,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Transit Amenities	Sidewalks along transit routes , funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 112,500

LAPORTE COUNTY

LaPorte	Transporte	Operating Subsidies	Operating Assistance 2008	\$ 524,494
LaPorte	Transporte	Non-Revenue Equipment	Purchase LapTop Computer Quantity: 1	\$ 1,898
Michigan City	Michigan City Municipal Coach Service	Operating Subsidies	Demo Operating Assistance (Extended Hours) Year 1 of 3 funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 307,058
Michigan City	Michigan City Municipal Coach Service	Revenue Vehicles	Revenue Vehicle Replacement funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 360,000
Michigan City	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Right-of-Way Improvements	Rebuild Michigan City Trackage At Carroll Avenue	\$ 1,250,000
Michigan City	Michigan City Municipal Coach Service	Operating Subsidies	Operating Assistance	\$ 996,726

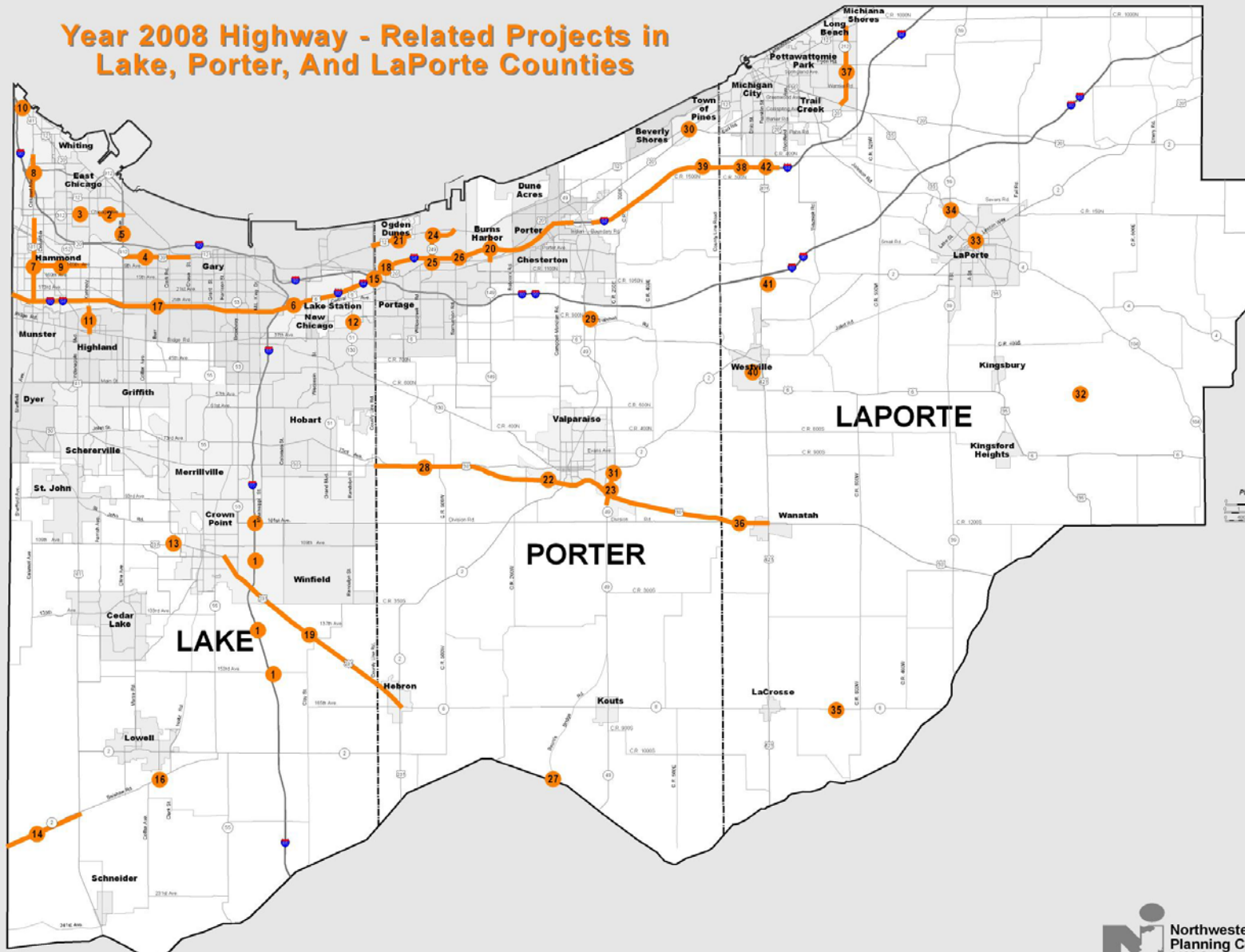
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Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Transit Amenities	Station Access Enhancements, Landscaping & Signage	\$ 179,294
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Non-Revenue Vehicles	Up to three replacement police cars	\$ 42,995
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Non-Revenue Vehicles	Acquire Support Vehicles	\$ 500,000
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Non-Revenue Equipment	Acquire Track Equipment	\$ 500,000
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Signals and Train Control System	Replace Catenary/Signal System	\$ 8,750,000
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Signals and Train Control System	Repair Electric Substations	\$ 200,000
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Revenue Vehicles	Rail Car Mid-Life Rebuild	\$ 1,250,000
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase New Commuter Rail Cars funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 5,431,250
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase New Commuter Rail Cars funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 3,750,000

Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase New Commuter Rail Cars funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 818,750
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance/Maintenance Overhaul 2007	\$ 38,948,982
Multiple Counties	Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District	Right-of-Way Improvements	Bridge Replacements LaPorte Co: CR 200E, CR 300E, US 20; Lake Park Ave. (Hudson Lake); East Chicago Bypass	\$ 1,144,804
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTIES				\$ 80,543,325

2008 HIGHWAY PROJECTS

Year 2008 Highway - Related Projects in Lake, Porter, And LaPorte Counties



Highway Related Projects in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties, Indiana in 2008

Map Code	INDOT Designation Number	Route Number or Street Name	Municipality	Activity Type	Project Description	Location	Total Construction Cost
LAKE COUNTY							
1	0600553	I65	Crown Point	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Painting	101st Ave, 113th Ave, 137th Ave, and 153rd Ave.	\$ 515,651
2	0711002	SR312	East Chicago	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Resurface	From Parrish Ave. jct to Cline Ave. jct	\$ 281,982
3	0800361	SR312	East Chicago	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Repair, Temporary Support	Over Indiana Harbor Canal, Pier #7	\$ 1,835,450
4	0600252	US20	Gary	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From SR 912 to Bridge St.	\$ 1,830,497
5	0800849	SR 912	Gary	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Maintenance & Repair	Over Gary Avenue (temporary beam support)	\$ 652,413
6	0500593	I80	Gary, Lake Station	Capacity Expansion	Added Travel Lanes	At I-65, Georgia St. to Clay St.	\$ 97,375,132
7	996587B	US41	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Pavement Replacement	From 0.16 miles S of SR 312 to 0.34 miles N of SR 312	\$ 6,459,120
8	996587C	US 41	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Functional	From 0.9 miles S of I-90 to 0.15 miles N of Sheffield Ave.	\$ 3,182,209
9	0201176	169th Street	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards)	169th St. From Southeastern Ave. to Lindberg	\$ 9,991,334
10	9611260	US12	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Small Structure Replacement	Over Wolf Lake Channel, 0.9 miles E of Illinois State Line	\$ 3,449,776
N/A	9980120	Various roads	Hammond	Preservation / Maintenance	Traffic Signal Modernization	Various roads throughout the City of Hammond	\$ 1,542,906
11	0088400	Kennedy Avenue	Highland	Preservation / Maintenance	Pavement Repair or Rehabilitation	Kennedy Ave. from Hammond CL to Ridge Rd. Underpass	\$ 7,335,639
12	0301056	US6	Hobart	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair	Over Deep River, 0.62 miles W of SR 51	\$ 2,390,758
13	0100477	US231	Lake County	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	At Lane St, 4.25 miles E of US 41	\$ 494,870

14	9611330	SR2 / Belshaw Rd.	Lake County	Preservation / Maintenance	Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards)	From Illinois State Line to US 41	\$ 65,903
15	0710121	I80	Lake Station	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From 1.27 miles E of I-65 to bridge over I-90	\$ 2,683,800
16	0400889	SR2	Lowell	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	At Burr Street	\$ 947,900
17	0501267	I94		Preservation / Maintenance	Traffic Management System	Various Locations along Borman TMC Locations	\$ 6,996,660
PORTER COUNTY							
18	0500179	US 20	Portage	Preservation / Maintenance	Patch & Rehabilitate Pavement	From 0.45 miles W of I-94 to 0.15 miles E of I-94	\$ 2,003,930
19	0501271	US231	From Hebron to Crown Point	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From SR 2 to 113th Ave.	\$ 3,235,715
20	0600005	SR149	Burns Harbor	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Functional on PCCP	From US 20 to Bridge over Little Calumet River	\$ 981,134
21	0711003	US 12	Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore	Preservation / Maintenance	Wedge & Level	From Lake/Porter Co. Line to the Ogden Dunes Corp. Line	\$ 301,301
22	0710401	US30	near Valparaiso	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From CR 250 W to CR 325 E	\$ 2,171,839
23	0600004	SR 49	near Valparaiso	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Functional on PCCP	From 0.5 miles N of Division Rd. to 0.5 miles N of US 30	\$ 3,429,904
24	0501269	SR249	Portage	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Functional	From US 20 to US 12	\$ 1,110,170
25	0941023	I94	Portage	Preservation / Maintenance	Landscaping	At SR 249 Interchange	\$ 83,893
26	0400611	I94	Portage, Burns Harbor, Porter	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From Bridge over I-90 to 0.44 miles E of SR 49	\$ 4,973,198
27	0301013	County Rd. 50 W	Porter County	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair	CR 50 W, Bridge over Kankakee River	\$ 622,513
28	0800339	US30	Porter County	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Resurface	From Lake/Porter Co. Line, 1.97 miles E of SR 51 to CR 250 W	\$ 2,326,879

29	0500093	Calumet Avenue	South of Chesterton	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair	Over CSX Railroad on Calumet Ave.	\$	618,908
30	9703430	SR520	Town of Pines	Preservation / Maintenance	Intersection Improvement	At US 12 and US 20	\$	944,276
31	0710971	SR2	Valparaiso	Preservation / Maintenance	Beautification/ Wildflowers	Interchange of SR 2 & SR 49	\$	81,156
LAPORTE COUNTY								
32	0710085	Kingsbury Fish and Wildlife Area	Kingsbury	Preservation / Maintenance	Parking Area Reconstruction	Kingsbury F & W, 3 miles E of US 35 & US 6 Interchange	\$	584,933
33	0600387	LaPorte	LaPorte	Preservation / Maintenance	Enhancement, Rehabilitate	LaPorte Train Depot-Phase 3	\$	1,142,381
34	0500843	East Shore Court	LaPorte	Capacity Expansion	New Road Construction	East Shore Court, will connect Maple Drive to McClung Rd.	\$	883,572
35	9901780	SR8	LaPorte County	Preservation / Maintenance	Bridge Replacement, Precast 3 Sided Culvert	Over Williams Ditch, 4.53 miles E of US 421	\$	635,835
36	0800340	US30	LaPorte County	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Resurface	From CR 325 E to US 421	\$	1,784,815
N/A	0600392	US20	LaPorte County	Preservation / Maintenance	New Flasher Installation	Various Locations in LaPorte County	\$	69,594
37	0501266	SR 212	Michigan City, Long Beach	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From US 20 to US 12	\$	734,753
38	0710122	I94	South of Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Patching	From 1.05 miles W of US 421 to 0.45 miles W of US 421	\$	4,839,516
39	0501250	I94	South of Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	From 0.44 miles E of SR 49 to 0.46 miles E of US 421	\$	1,571,547
40	0710802	Indiana State Prison	Westville	Preservation / Maintenance	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance	Indiana State Prison @ Westville- Various Roadways within the Prison	\$	127,979
41	0800217	Institutional Road	Westville	Preservation / Maintenance	Asphalt Resurface	Institutional Rd at Purdue University North Central	\$	130,367
42	0401294	I94	South of Michigan City	Preservation / Maintenance	Beautification/ Wildflowers	I-94 & US 421	\$	89,931

MULTIPLE COUNTIES							
43	0800081	Various roads	Throughout the region	Preservation / Maintenance	Raised Pavement Markers, New	Various roads	\$ 156,046
44	0800081	US 30, US 41, and SR 49	Throughout the region	Preservation / Maintenance	Roadside Maintenance, Mowing	US 30, US 41, and SR 49	\$ 2,378,794
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTIES							\$ 186,046,880

2008 TRANSIT PROJECTS

**US Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funded Projects
Obligated in 2008**

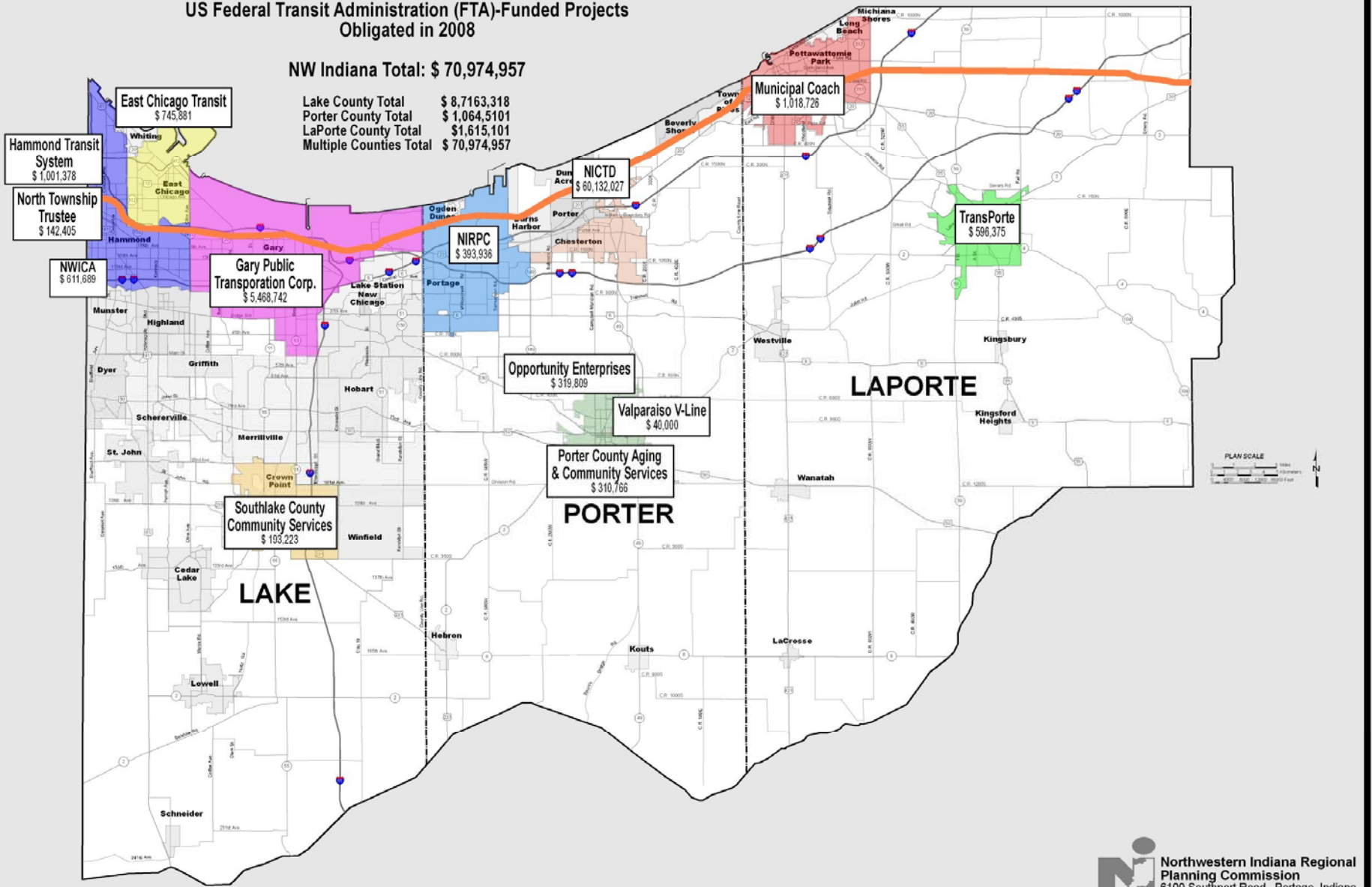
Lake County total	\$ 8,163,318
Porter County total	\$ 1,064,511
LaPorte County total	\$ 1,615,101
Multiple Counties	\$ 60,132,027
Northwest Indiana total	\$ 70,974,957

Operator	Amount	Location
South Lake Co. Comm. Svcs.	\$ 193,223	Crown Point
NWICA	\$ 611,689	Crown Point
East Chicago Transit	\$ 745,881	East Chicago
Gary Public Transportation Corp.	\$ 5,468,742	Gary
Hammond Transit	\$ 1,001,378	Hammond
North Township Dial-a-Ride	\$ 142,405	Hammond
NICTD	\$ 60,132,027	Multiple Counties
NIRPC	\$ 393,936	Portage
Opportunity Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 319,809	Valparaiso
Porter Co. Aging & Comm. Svcs.	\$ 310,766	Valparaiso
V-Line	\$ 40,000	Valparaiso
TransPorte	\$ 596,375	LaPorte
Michigan City Municipal Coach	\$ 1,018,726	Michigan City

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Transit Projects in Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties in 2008

Municipality	Transit Operator	Project Type	Project Description	Total Cost
LAKE COUNTY				
Crown Point	NW IN Community Action	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 401,689
Crown Point	NW IN Community Action	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicle LE 092/419 (B71819)	\$ 70,000
Crown Point	NW IN Community Action	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicle LE 093/423 (B71803)	\$ 70,000
Crown Point	NW IN Community Action	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicle LE 094/424 (A45248)	\$ 70,000
Crown Point	SouthLake County Community Services	Revenue Vehicles	Expansion Revenue Vehicle	\$ 66,000
Crown Point	SouthLake County Community Services	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 61,223
Crown Point	SouthLake County Community Services	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicle SC091 (A88337)	\$ 66,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2008	\$ 112,444
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 298,438
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Bus #9901(w/talking bus)	\$ 265,000
East Chicago	East Chicago Transit	Non-Revenue Vehicles	Svc. Truck w/compressor& generator booster	\$ 70,000
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Equipment	Acquire/Install new camera surveillance system at loop facility.	\$ 7,125
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2008	\$ 697,000
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Planning	GPTC Planning 2008: Management & Operations Planning	\$ 100,000
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Equipment	Install new roof @ Adam Benjamin MC.	\$ 875,000
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 2,684,866
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Revenue Vehicles	Overhaul Five (5) Optima Buses	\$ 800,000
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Equipment	Purchase Bus Maintenance Equipment (MODIS diagnostic device, cyclone vacuum system, and more)	\$ 103,750
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Equipment	Purchase Bus Maintenance Equipment (reels, hoses, dispensing guns, and more)	\$ 103,750
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Operating Subsidies	Security Services (contractual)	\$ 45,063
Gary	Gary Public Trans. Corp.	Transit Amenities	Transit Enhancement 2008: Landscaping at Adam Benjamin MC and Operations Facility	\$ 52,188
Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Capital Cost of Contracting 2008	\$ 835,753

Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Complementary Paratransit Subsidy 2008	\$ 90,625
Hammond	Hammond Transit	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 75,000
North Township	North Township Dial-a-Ride	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 72,405
North Township	North Township Dial-a-Ride	Revenue Vehicles	Replace Revenue Vehicle DAR 10	\$ 70,000
	NICTD	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase New Commuter Rail Cars (Funds Transferred 2007) funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 5,431,250
	NICTD	Revenue Vehicles	Purchase New Commuter Rail Cars funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 3,750,000

PORTER COUNTY

Portage	NIRPC	Planning	MPO Transit Planning (Primarily Local Assistance)	\$ 100,000
Portage	NIRPC	Planning	Subgrantee Oversight/Admin 2008	\$ 293,936
Valparaiso	ChicagoDash	Operating Subsidies	New Transit Service: Chicago Loop Service (Year #1 of 3) funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 561,916
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 109,809
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises	Revenue Vehicle	Replace Revenue Vehicle 064/64 (C19269)	\$ 70,000
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises	Revenue Vehicle	Replace Revenue Vehicle 071/71 (A35629)	\$ 70,000
Valparaiso	Opportunity Enterprises	Revenue Vehicle	Replace Revenue Vehicle 072/72 (A35632)	\$ 70,000
Valparaiso	Porter County Aging & Community Services	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance 2008	\$ 95,566
Valparaiso	Porter County Aging & Community Services	Revenue Vehicle	Replace Revenue Vehicle PC087 (B71814)	\$ 72,600
Valparaiso	Porter County Aging & Community Services	Revenue Vehicle	Replace Revenue Vehicle PC096 (A45254)	\$ 72,600
Valparaiso	V-Line	Revenue Vehicle	Purchase One Van-Based Expansion Revenue Vehicle (minor fleet expansion)	\$ 40,000
Valparaiso	V-Line	Operating Subsidies	New Transit Service: City-wide Bus Service (Year #2 of 3) funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 740,300

LAPORTE COUNTY

LaPorte	TransPorte	Equipment	Bus Garage Improvements: Fire Suppression System (2005 c/o Funds)	\$ 15,500
LaPorte	TransPorte	Equipment	Bus Garage Improvements: New Windows, Doors, HVAC Systems, Exhaust Fans, & Roof/Gutter Repair or Replacement.	\$ 64,375
LaPorte	TransPorte	Operating Subsidies	Operating Assistance 2008	\$ 516,500

Michigan City	Municipal Coach	Operating Subsidies	Demo Operating Assistance (Extended Hours) Year 2 of 3 funded through FHWA Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program	\$ 307,058
Michigan City	Municipal Coach	Operating Subsidies	Operating Assistance	\$ 996,726
Michigan City	Municipal Coach	Non-Revenue Vehicle	Replacement Administrative Vehicle (carryover funds)	\$ 22,000
Michigan City	NICTD	Operating Subsidies	Preventive Maintenance/Maintenance Overhaul 2008	\$ 39,555,965
Michigan City	NICTD	Right-of-Way Improvements	Rebuild Yard Trackage	\$ 1,200,000
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS				
Chicago, Illinois	NICTD	Right-of-Way Improvements	Kensington Improvements	\$ 7,500,000
MULTIPLE COUNTIES				
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Right-of-Way Improvements	Bridges	\$ 1,812,500
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Revenue Vehicles	New Cars - Engineering	\$ 312,500
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Non-Revenue Vehicles	Maintenance/Supervisor/Police Vehicles	\$ 500,000
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Equipment	Track Equipment	\$ 500,000
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Signals and Train Control System	Signal/Catenary Improvements	\$ 2,500,000
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Signals and Train Control System	Repair Electrical Substations	\$ 83,044
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Signals and Train Control System	Replace Signal/Power System	\$ 6,125,000
Multiple Counties	NICTD	Transit Amenities	Transit Enhancement 2008: Landscaping @ Gary Airport, Miller, Portage/Ogden Dunes	\$ 43,018
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTIES				\$ 81,695,481

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECT PHOTOS

Highway and Bicycle Projects



Intersection Improvement: 109th Avenue at Randolph Street, Winfield



Bridge Repair: US-41 over Singleton Ditch, Lake County



Pavement Overlay: US 41 at SR 312, Hammond



Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair: CR 50W bridge over Kankakee River, Porter County



Safety Revisions/Signal Modification: SR-49 at Indian Boundary Road, Chesterton



Pavement Rehabilitation and Repair: 133rd Street from Wicker to Parish, Cedar Lake



Added Travel Lanes: SR-130 at LaPorte Street, Valparaiso



Bike/Ped Trail: Connecting subdivision to sports complex, St. John



Bridge Superstructure Replacement: SR-212 over NICTD tracks, Michigan City



Resurfacing: SR-39 from US-6 to SR-2, LaPorte



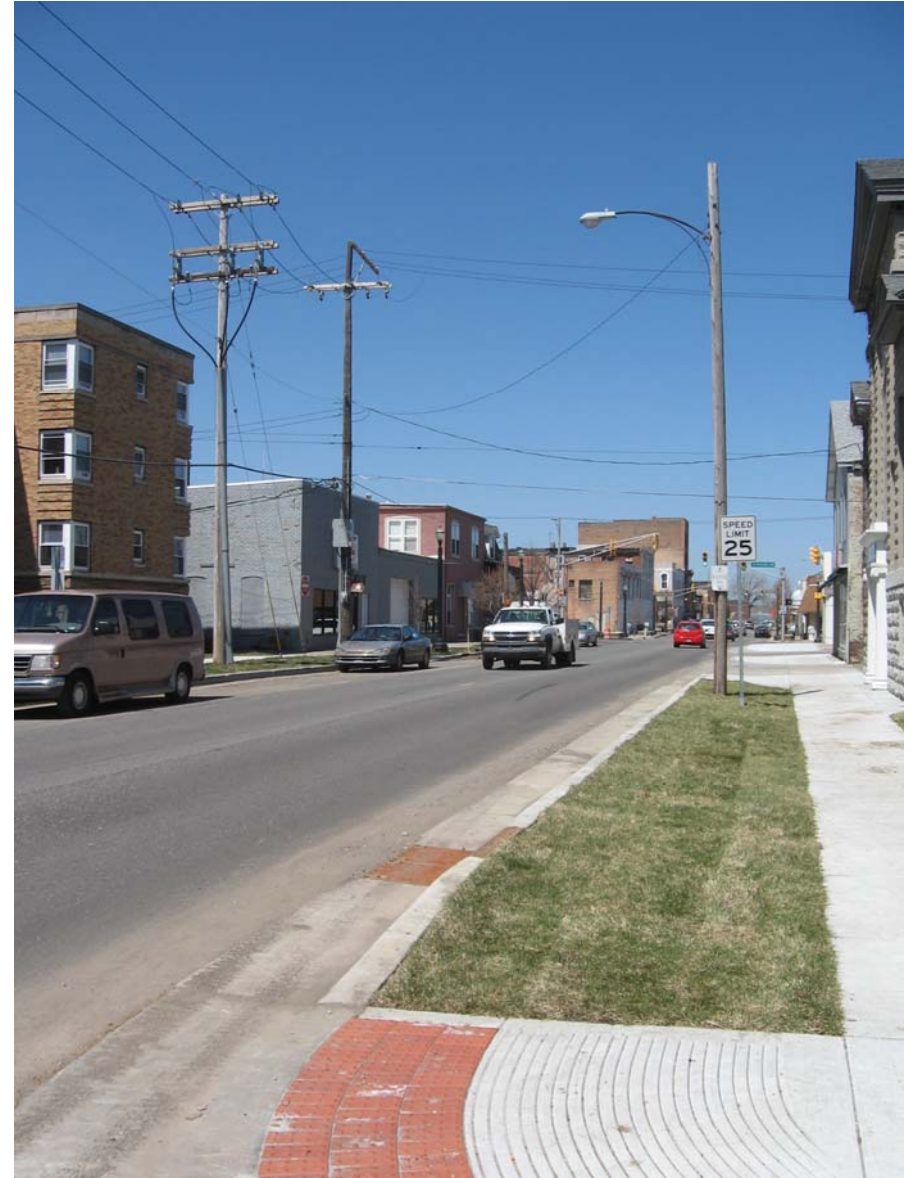
Road Resurfacing: US-20 from US-12 to SR-152, East Chicago



Intersection Improvement: US-6 at Porter / LaPorte County Line, Near Westville



Major Pavement Project:
Main Street
from north town
limits to south
town limits,
Hebron



Road Reconstruction: SR-4 from SR-2 to Boyd Boulevard, City of LaPorte



Road Reconstruction:
Valparaiso Street from Evans
Avenue to Herta Street



Pavement Replacement & Signal Modification: US-41, Hammond



Road Resurfacing: SR-212, Michigan City



Road Reconstruction: 169th Street from Southeastern Ave. to Lindberg, Hammond



Pavement Repair or Rehabilitation: Kennedy Ave. from Hammond City Limits to Ridge Road Underpass, Highland



HMA Overlay: SR 149 from US 20 to Little Calumet River Bridge, Burns Harbor



HMA Overlay: SR249 from US 20 to US 12, Portage



Bridge Repair; Temporary Support: SR 312 over Indiana Harbor Canal, East Chicago



Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair: Calumet Avenue bridge over CSX railroad, South of Chesterton



HMA Overlay: SR 212 From US 20 to US 12, Michigan City, Long Beach



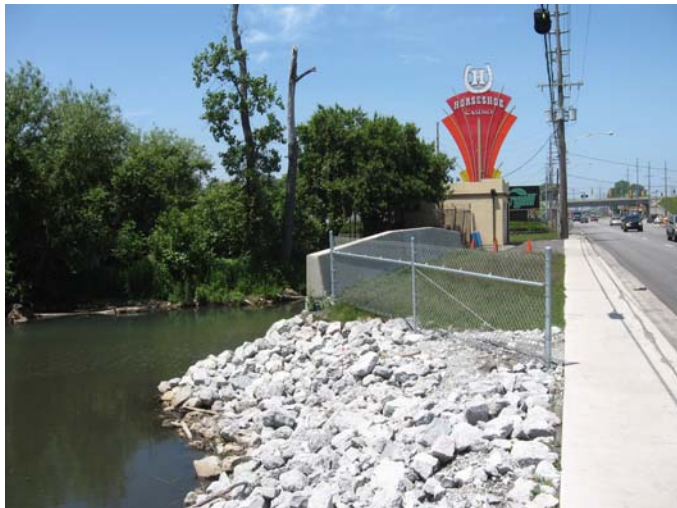
Bridge Repair; Temporary Support: SR 912 over Gary Avenue, Gary



HMA Overlay: US 20 from SR 912 to Bridge St., Gary



HMA Overlay: US 41 from 0.9 miles south of I-90 to 0.15 miles north of Sheffield, Hammond



Small Structure Replacement: US 12 over Wolf Lake Channel, Hammond



Asphalt Resurface: SR312 from Parrish Ave. to Cline Ave., East Chicago

Transit Projects



New Revenue Vehicles for New Service, V-Line, Valparaiso
(photo courtesy of NWI Times)



New Revenue Vehicles for New Service, ChicagoDASH, Valparaiso
(photo courtesy of NWI Times)



Revenue Vehicle Replacement, Michigan City Municipal Coach Service





New Commuter Rail Cars, Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District, (photos courtesy of NICTD)



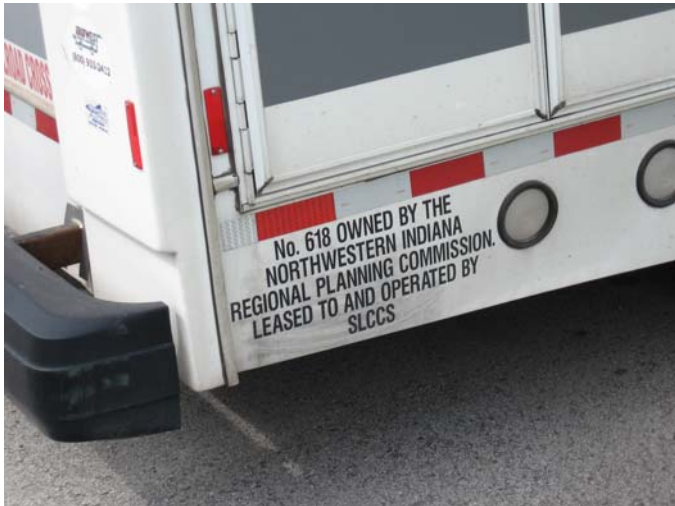
Replacement Police Cars, Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District, (photos courtesy of NICTD)



Replacement Catenary and Signal System, Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District, (photos courtesy of Meade Electric)



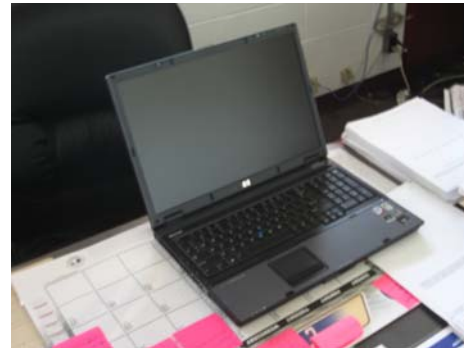
TransPorte Bus Garage Improvements: Fire Suppression System (2005 c/o Funds), City of LaPorte



Replacement Revenue Vehicles: SouthLake County Community Services, Crown Point



Revenue Vehicles: East Chicago Transit



Office and IT Equipment: East Chicago Transit



Replacement Buses: Gary Public Transportation Corporation



Overhaul Optima Buses: Gary Public Transportation Corporation



**Whatever Happened to that Project?
Transportation Projects Implemented in 2007 – 2008**