



**RESOLUTION 15-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AMENDING THE  
2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR LAKE,  
PORTER, AND LAPORTE COUNTIES, INDIANA  
AMENDMENT NO. 31**

**January 15, 2015**

**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, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act—A Legacy for Users (2005), and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (2012), as well as other federal, state and local laws mandating transportation planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2014-2017 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 *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program is an implementation of the *2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP)*; is fiscally constrained, and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2014-2017 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. Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Federal Transit Administration, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the changes to the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program brought about by this amendment were reviewed by the Air Quality Conformity Task Force's Interagency Consultation Group (ICG).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the 2014-2017 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 January, 2015.

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Secretary

**2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program for Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties, Indiana**  
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**Changes to Existing Local Projects & Project Phases**

DES	Sponsor	Project	Action Requested	Federal		Phase	Year	Funds		
				Funds	Total			Federal	Non-Federal	
0900071	Hobart	61st Ave Reconstruction (Arizona St to SR 51)	Split project into two pieces							
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1297288	Lake County	Reconstruct Lake County Bridge 102	Split project into two pieces	STP I		CN	2016	\$ 1,035,000	\$ 828,000	\$ 207,000
1382220	LaPorte County	Johnson Rd Int Imp @ LaPorte County Road 400 North.	Increase Federal Funds	STP II		CN	2017	\$ 975,000	\$ 780,000	\$ 195,000