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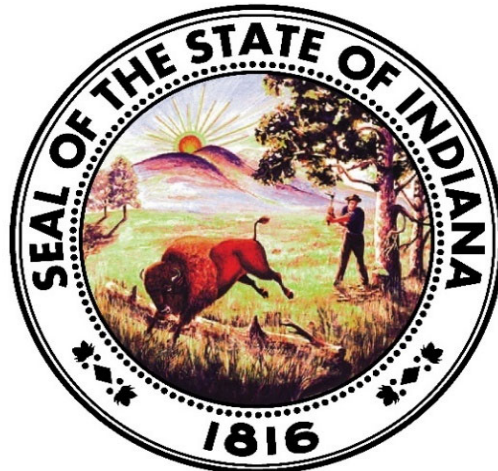
COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

PORTER COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022



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To: The Officials of the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission  
Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission  
6100 Southport Road  
Portage, IN 46368

This report is supplemental to the audit report of the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (Commission), for the period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. It has been provided as a separate report so that the reader may easily identify any Examination Findings that pertain to the Commission. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statement audit report of the Commission, which provides an opinion on the Commission's financial statements. This report may be found at [www.in.gov/sboa/](http://www.in.gov/sboa/).

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we engaged private examiners under our review to perform the audit of the Commission and perform procedures to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

We have reviewed the Supplemental Audit Report for Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission prepared by Crowe LLP, Independent Public Accountants, for the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. In our opinion, the Supplemental Audit Report was prepared in accordance with the guidelines established by the State Board of Accounts.

The report is filed with this letter in our office as a matter of public record.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tammy R. White'.

Tammy R. White, CPA  
Deputy State Examiner

**COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION OF  
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Porter County, Indiana  
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<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Executive Director	Ty Warner	01-01-22 to 12-31-22
Chief Financial Officer	Talaya Jones	01-01-22 to 12-31-22
Chair of the Board of Commissioners	Justin Kiel	01-01-22 to 12-31-22

## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Indiana State Board of Accounts and  
Management of Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission

We have examined Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission's ("Commission") compliance with the Indiana State Board of Accounts' *Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual For Special Districts* during the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Management of the Commission is responsible for the Commission's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Commission's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Commission complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Commission's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

*Crowe LLP*  
Crowe LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana  
September 21, 2023

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The contents of this report were discussed on September 21, 2023 with Ty Warner, Executive Director; Talaya Jones, Chief Financial Officer; Darin Sherman, Accountant; and Richard Hardaway (Current Chair of the Board of Commissioners).