

RESOLUTION NO. 34-09
A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BEND AND
ELKHART/GOSHEN FY2008-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the SAFETEA-LU Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy of Users (2005) designating joint Federal Highway Administration/Federal Transit Administration rules and regulations, under Section 134, Title 23 of the US Code (h) and CFR, Part 450, Sub-part A, of the previous STAA act require the annual preparation of a Transportation Improvement Program by the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization(s) as a part of the transportation planning process in urbanized areas of 50,000 or more population; and

WHEREAS, the Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG) being the duly designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the South Bend and Elkhart/ Goshen Urbanized Areas, in cooperation with local governmental units and implementing agencies within the urbanized areas, has prepared a FY2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which consists of improvements recommended in the MACOG Region.

WHEREAS, the MACOG Policy Board from time to time receives and amends/modifies its Transportation Improvement Programs.

WHEREAS, the MACOG consulted with the Interagency consultation Group and the agencies concurred in the MPO finding that the TIP amendment projects are exempt, per 40 CFR 93.126 & 127, and there is no need to update the conformity analysis or issue a new conformity finding.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen FY2008-2013 TIP will be amended to include the following:

Amend the FY2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Program

EXEMPT PROJECT

Emergency TIP Administration Modifications and Amendments

FY 2009 FTA Section 5307 Agreement - Resolution 34-09

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Emergency Amendment Approved May 29, 2009

RESOLVED THIS 10th day of June 2009.

Michiana Area Council of Governments



Jeff Rea, Chairman

May 29, 2009

MACOG

Larry Buckel
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Dear Larry:

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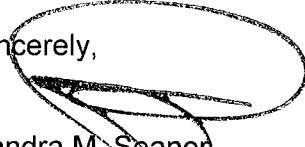
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The Michiana Area Council of Governments, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the South Bend and Elkhart, Indiana Urbanized Areas, is hereby submitting an amendment to the FY2008-2013 TIP for Intergovernmental Review under the provisions of Executive Order 12711. The document has been reviewed and endorsed by the MACOG Policy Board on May 29, 2009.

We are, therefore, offering our assurance that the document has been developed with and reviewed by the appropriate jurisdictions and governmental agencies within the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen Urbanized Areas. This includes the Indiana Department of Transportation and member jurisdictions and governmental agencies of the MACOG Policy Board.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact this agency if you need further information.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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Enclosure

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