

September 12, 2012

Mr. Jerry Halperin INDOT, MPO Coordinator 100 N. Senate Avenue N955 Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Halperin:

Please amend the FY2012-2015 and FY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the FY 2012-2015 Indiana Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the following:

LAPORTE DISTRICT

INDOT Initiated – Resolution 34-12

A. INDOT

Administrative Modification

Exempt Project in St. Joseph County

Resolution 34-12 Change Fiscal Year to 2013 Phase: CN

Des #: 0101441 Location: SR 933 Bridge over Baugo Creek, 0.19 mi W of Elkhart Co Line

Bridge Replacement SFY: 2013

Total: \$1,242,000 Federal: \$993,600 (ST STP) Local: \$248,400

B. INDOT

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Exempt Project in St. Joseph County

Resolution 34-12 Change Fiscal Year to 2013 Phase: CN

Des #: 0301051 Location: US 31 Bridge over Nimtz Parkway, 0.55 mi S of I-90

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The Michiana Area Council of Governments, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen, Indiana Urbanized Areas, is hereby submitting an amendment to the FY2012-2015 and FY2013-2016 TIP and the 2012-2015 STIP for Intergovernmental Review under the provisions of Executive Order 1271. The document has been reviewed and endorsed by the MACOG Policy Board on September 12, 2012.

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

Sandra M. Seanor **Executive Director**

SMS:cjk Enclosure

Cc: Justin Sergent, Joyce Newland, Lisa Shrader, Marcia Blansett

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RESOLUTION NO. 34-12

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BEND AND ELKHART/GOSHEN FY2012-2015 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 FY2012-2015 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 FY2012-2015 TIP will be amended to include the following:

Amend the FY2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Plan

Emergency TIP Amendment

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Emergency	Resolution	approved	this 8 th	Day	of A	August,	2012.
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Michiana Area Council of Governments

Sandra M. Seanor, Executive Director

RESOLVED THIS 12th Day of September, 2012.

Michiana Area Council of Governments

Mayor Dick Moore, Chairman