

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

Locally Initiated – Resolution 42-12

A. Marshall County	<u>Administrative Modification</u>	Exempt Project in Marshall County
Resolution 42-12	Increase Federal Funds by \$3,356,606	Phase: CN
Des #: 0810140	Location: 7th(a) Rd from Michigan to new interchange at US 31/7th(a) Rd	
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Total: \$8,691,723	Federal: \$6,953,378 (Grp IV STP)	Local: \$1,738,345

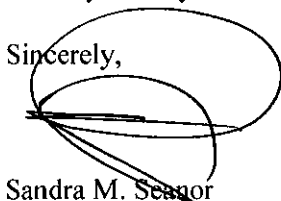
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Resolution 42-12	Increase Federal Funds by \$500,000	Phase: CN
Des #: 1173280	Location: Bridge carrying 7th(a) Rd over Seltenright Ditch	
	New Bridge Construction	SFY: 2014
Total: \$625,000	Federal: \$500,000 (Grp IV)	Local: \$125,000

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. Scanlon
Executive Director

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Enclosure

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 42-12
A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BEND AND
ELKHART/GOSHEN FY2012-2015 AND FY2013-2016 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 and FY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which consists of improvements recommended in the MACOG Region.

WHEREAS, the FY2012-2015 and FY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is consistent with the 2035 Transportation Plan (TP) and its corresponding conformity determination, which uses the MACOG travel demand model, developed with the most recently available socio-economic and other input data to estimate mobile source emissions for the conformity analyses.

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

WHEREAS, the MPO consulted with the Interagency Consultation Group and the agencies did not take exception to the MPO finding that (1) each project in the TIP as amended is consistent with the design concept and scope of the project that was modeled in the most recent conformity demonstration, (2) the open-to-traffic date of each project in the TIP as amended is consistent with the open-to-traffic dates in the most recent conformity demonstration, (3) that the previous emissions analysis meets the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 & 119 and demonstrates conformity of the TIP as amended.

WHEREAS, upon review of the amendments below, the Michiana Area Council of Governments herewithin finds that they are consistent with the 2035 Transportation Plan and its corresponding Conformity Analysis.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen FY2012-2015 and FY2013-2016 will be amended to include the following:

Amend the FY2012-2015 and FY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Plan

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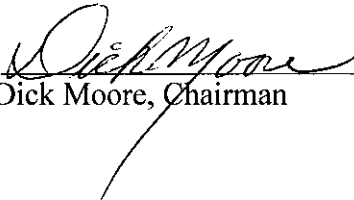
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RESOLVED THIS 12th Day of September, 2012

Michiana Area Council of Governments



Dick Moore, Chairman