

April 13, 2016

Julie Ritzler  
 INDOT, LaPorte District  
 315 East Boyd Blvd.  
 LaPorte, IN 46350

Dear Julie:

Please amend the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and FY 2016-2019 Indiana Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the following:

**LAPORTE DISTRICT**

**INDOT Initiated – Resolution 18-16**


A.	INDOT	<u>Amendment</u>	Exempt Project in St. Joseph County	
	Resolution 18-16	Add Project	Phase: PE/CN	
Des#: 1600521 Location: IR 1001, Pear Road at NICTD DOT#870399B and NS RR DOT #				
<b>522571L west of South Bend Railroad Protection SFY: 2017</b>				
PE:	Total: \$20,000	Federal: \$20,000 (HSIP)	State: \$0	SFY: 2017
CN:	Total: \$400,000	Federal: \$400,000 (HSIP)	State: \$0	SFY: 2017

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 FY 2016-2019 TIP, as well as, the FY 2016-2019 STIP for Intergovernmental Review under the provisions of Executive Order 1271. The document has been reviewed and endorsed by the MACOG Policy Board on April 13, 2016.

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,



James Turnwald  
 Executive Director

JT/ck

Cc: Justin Sergent, Lyndsay Quist, Mary Enright, Joyce Newland

F:\ABC\MACOG\MEETINGS\SFY 2016\Policy Board\Resolution Letters\04 Apr 16\L04Resol18.doc

Resolution 17-16

Page 1 of 1

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-16**  
**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BEND**  
**AND ELKHART/GOSHEN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2016-2019**  
**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the "FAST Act", Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act: Designating joint Federal Highway Administration/Federal Transit Administration rules and regulations, under Section 134, Title 23 of the US Code, the act requires 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 FY 2016-2019 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 FY 2016-2019 TIP will be amended to include the following:

Amend the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Plan


**LaPorte District**

**INDOT Initiated – Resolution 18-16**

A.	INDOT	<u>Amendment</u>	Exempt Project in St. Joseph County
	Resolution 18-16	Add Project	Phase: PE/CN
	Des#: 1600521	Location: IR 1001, Pear Road at NICTD DOT#870399B and NS RR DOT # 522571L west of South Bend	Railroad Protection SFY: 2017
PE:	Total: \$20,000	Federal: \$20,000 (HSIP)	State: \$0 SFY: 2017
CN:	Total: \$400,000	Federal: \$400,000 (HSIP)	State: \$0 SFY: 2017

**RESOLVED THIS 13<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2016**

Michiana Area Council of Governments

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Thallemer, Policy Board Chair