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Mr. Louis Feagans, PE
Managing Director of System Performance and Transportation Policy
Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT)
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Feagans:

FHWA has completed its review of the INDOT's MPO Amendment MPO-06 to the FY 2026-2030 Indiana Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) dated March 25, 2026, and revised on March 30, 2026, due to FHWA's comments. This amendment is for the inclusion of the following documents by reference:

- Delaware Muncie Metropolitan Planning Commission (DMMPC)
https://www.in.gov/indot/files/STIP_A26-06_DMMPC-draft.pdf
- Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO)
https://www.in.gov/indot/files/STIP_A26-06_EMPO-draft.pdf
- Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO)
https://www.in.gov/indot/files/STIP_A26-06_IMPO-draft.pdf
- Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC)
https://www.in.gov/indot/files/STIP_A26-06_NIRCC-draft.pdf

INDOT, DMMPC, EMPO, IMPO, and NIRCC have re-demonstrated fiscal constraint, air quality conformity, and provided opportunity for public comment and involvement, where applicable, regarding the documents identified above. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) considers this amendment to be in substantial compliance with the applicable requirements as sufficient to support a consistency finding for the STIP.

FHWA and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) take formal action, through the development of the Federal Planning Finding (FPF), to evaluate and ensure that the STIP and MPO TIPs are developed according to statewide and metropolitan planning processes consistent with 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, and 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, as well as 23 CFR part 450, 500, and 49 CFR part 613. FHWA and FTA are required under 23 CFR 450.220 (b) to document and issue an FPF in conjunction with the approval of the STIP, or amended STIP. Based on the recently conducted FPF (dated August 28, 2025), FHWA and FTA find that the amended Indiana FY 2026-2030 STIP substantially meets the transportation planning requirements and is approving the amended STIP (as recorded in MPO Amendment MPO-06) subject to the

corrective actions outlined in the FPF. FHWA and FTA will continue to partner with the INDOT to ensure the previously developed action plan is implemented to address the corrective actions. If progress is not made in addressing the corrective actions, future amendments to the FY 2026-2030 STIP may not be approved by USDOT.

FHWA only recognizes years 2026-2029 in the STIP. Any projects and/or phases of projects added in years outside of 2026-2029 are considered illustrative, and thus ineligible for federal funding at this time.

Should you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Paige Story at 317-226-7476 or e-mail at paige.story@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

For: Christopher J. Hall
Interim Division Administrator
FHWA Indiana Division

Enclosure

cc: Michael McNeil, INDOT
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March 30, 2026

Mr. Christopher J Hall, Interim Division Administrator
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Hall:

The Indiana Department of Transportation requests the projects listed in STIP Amendment A26-MPO-06 to be incorporated into the 2026-2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Any projects and/or phases of projects added in years outside of 2026-2029 are considered illustrative, and thus ineligible for federal funding at this time.

The required Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) documents have been included in this request and duly noted in the Amendment. We have determined that the proposed amendments are: 1) consistent with the transportation plan; 2) the TIP remains fiscally constrained in that federal funding resources are sufficient to support the new or modified projects; and 3) conform to state and national air quality standards.

- **Muncie - Delaware/Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission (DMMPC)**
[STIP A26-06 DMMPC-draft.pdf](#)
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$8,806,500 for fiscal years 2026, which has been verified with FHWA.
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$901,438 for fiscal years 2027, which has been verified with FHWA.
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$0 for fiscal years 2028, which has been verified with FHWA.
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$92,570,000 for fiscal years 2029, which has been verified with FHWA.
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$102,277,938 for fiscal years 2026-2029, which has been verified with FHWA.
- **Evansville - Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO)**
[STIP A26-06 EMPO-draft.pdf](#)
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$273,000 for fiscal years 2026, which has been verified with FHWA.
- **Indianapolis - Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO)**
[STIP A26-06 IMPO-draft.pdf](#)
The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$914,936 for fiscal years 2026, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$2,228,566 for fiscal years 2027, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$2,377,132 for fiscal years 2028, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$2,780,906 for fiscal years 2029, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$8,301,540 for fiscal years 2026-2029, which has been verified with FHWA.

- Fort Wayne - Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC)

[STIP_A26-06_NIRCC-draft.pdf](#)

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$668,960 for fiscal years 2026, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$284,000 for fiscal years 2027, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$0 for fiscal years 2028, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$3,718,888 for fiscal years 2029, which has been verified with FHWA.

The total dollar amount of this amendment is \$4,671,848 for fiscal years 2026-2029, which has been verified with FHWA.

The grand total dollar amount of this amendment is \$115,524,326 for fiscal years 2026-2029, which has been verified with FHWA.

We request your review and approval of the subject amendment. Should you have any questions pertaining to this amendment, please contact Michael McNeil, STIP Specialist at (317) 232-0223 or at mmcneil@indot.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Michael McNeil in blue ink. The signature is written in a cursive style and includes the word "for" written below the main signature.

April Leckie, Planning Manager
Intermediate Range Planning Division