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May 12, 2015

Larry Buckel, Manager  
Office of Transit  
Indiana Department of Transportation  
100 North Senate Avenue, Room N955-LP  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2216

Re: FY2014-2017 Indiana Transit STIP Amendment #39, dated April 27, 2015

Dear Mr. Buckel:

We have reviewed the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment requests you submitted via correspondence dated April 27, 2015. These requests add projects pursuant to changes made to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO).

The amended TIP has been endorsed by the appropriate Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The project listed in the attached STIP amendment table (Attachment 1) is eligible for FTA funding.

We have determined that the amendments to the TIP and STIP are financially constrained and consistent with the relevant MPO and statewide transportation plans. The projects were developed in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 450, and are exempt from the air quality conformity determination process. The project additions are approved for the FY2014-2017 STIP.

If you have any questions concerning this STIP amendment approval, please contact Tony Greep at (312) 352-1646. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sheila Clements  
Director, Office of Planning & Program Development

Attachment: FY2014-2017 INDOT STIP Table Amendment #39

Cc: Seyad Shokouhzadeh, Executive Director, Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 FY2014-2017 STIP Amendment #39  
 May 12, 2015

Number	DIS	MPO	Sponsor Name	Project Description	Fiscal Year	Total	Federal	Local	Federal Funding Source	FTA Grant Number	MPO Typ Year	Date	STIP Approval Date	Comments
56	1500338	Evansville	METS	Purchase 2 Para-Transit Vehicles	2015	\$220,000	\$175,000	\$44,000	5307/5510		FY 2014	5/12/2015	N/A	STIP amendment #39 - New Project.



## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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**Michael R. Pence, Governor**  
**Brandye L. Hendrickson,**  
**Commissioner**

April 27, 2015

Ms. Marisol R. Simon  
Regional Administrator  
Federal Transit Administration  
200 West Adams Street, Suite 320  
Chicago, IL 60606

RE: FY2014 - FY2017 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Transit Amendment #39

Dear Ms. Simon;

Please find attached a Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP amendment which must be approved and included into the FY 2014 State Transportation Improvement Program. We will reflect by reference the 2013 - 2017 federal aid project covered by this approval in our 2014 - 2017 STIP. The amendment is for the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization. The resolution number is 15-3.

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 as required by the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

We request your review and approval of the subject amendment. Please contact me at (317) 232-5292 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Larry Buckel".

Larry Buckel  
Manager  
Office of Transit

CC: Tony Greep, FTA



# Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Executive Director

April 6, 2015

Ms. Jeanette Wilson  
MPO Liaison  
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Indiana Department of Transportation  
100 N Senate Ave IGCN955-P Room N955-P  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Mr. John W. Moore, Director  
Division of Planning  
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet  
200 Mero Street, Station W5-05-01  
Frankfort, KY 40622

Dear Sirs:

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization has amended the FY 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include/revise the following projects.

The Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) requested the following amendment:

**Des# 1500338** Section 5310 Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities and Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant: Add project in FY 2015 to acquire two paratransit vehicles at a cost of \$220,000. Acquisition costs will be funded with 80% federal transit funds (\$148,000 Section 5310, and \$28,000 Section 5307) and a 20% local match.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) requested the following amendment:

**Des# 1400191** Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair on US 41 and SR 68 (includes Des# 1500030 & 1500335): Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2016. PE costs of \$379,440 will be funded with 80% federal National Highway System (NHS) funds and a 20% State match.

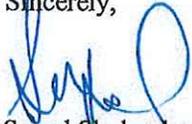
The Interagency Consultation Group was consulted regarding the proposed amendments. No air quality conformity determination was deemed necessary.

The Evansville MPO Policy Committee approved the amendments at their April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 meeting. The amendment resolution and public notice information are attached. The revised document is available at [www.evansvillempo.com](http://www.evansvillempo.com).

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Thank you for your assistance and should you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (812) 436-7833.

Sincerely,



Seyed Shokouhzaheh  
Executive Director

SS/CSL

cc: Sherry Curry, KYTC  
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RESOLUTION NO. 15-3

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S FY 2013 - 2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization is the organization designated by the Governor as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134 (Federal-Aid Highway planning requirements), and capable of meeting the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 1603(a) (Federal Transit planning requirements) in the Evansville Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration guidelines contained in Federal Register 40, No. 181, September 17, 1975, require endorsement by the policy body of the Metropolitan Planning Organization of a Transportation Improvement Program and Annual Element as a prerequisite to expenditure of Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit funds; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is the policy body of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1978, as amended, authorizes expenditure of funds for highway projects; and

WHEREAS, proposed expenditures of Federal-Aid Highway and Federal Transit funds for the Evansville Urbanized Area are contained in the Transportation Improvement Program for the Evansville Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the MPO consulted with the Interagency Consultation Group and the agencies concurred in the MPO finding that the TIP amendment projects are within the non-attainment area are exempt, per 40 CFR 93.126 & 127, and there is no need to update the conformity analysis or issue a new conformity finding; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Public Participation Plan does not require a separate public involvement meeting for TIP amendments, and the public participation procedure was followed; and

WHEREAS, this amendment will result in a TIP that remains fiscally constrained; and

WHEREAS, any changes to Kentucky non-dedicated funds projects have been requested by KYTC. The required funds will become part of the KY STIP end of fiscal year "fiscal constraint" recalculations; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization from time to time amends its Transportation Improvement Program;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization's FY 2013 – 2016 Transportation Improvement Program is amended as follows:

Project 1:

Des# 1500338: METS Section 5310 Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities and Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant: Add project to acquire two paratransit vehicles.

FY 2015 Total Cost - \$220,000      Federal - \$176,000      State - \$0      Local - \$44,000

Project 2:

Des# 1400191: US 41 and SR 68: Bridge rehabilitation and repair (includes Des# 1500030 & 1500335). Add project for preliminary engineering in FY 2016.

PE FY 2016 Total Cost - \$379,440      Federal - \$303,552      State - \$75,888      Local - \$0

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ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization on this 2nd day of April, 2015.

  
Mr. Jack Corn, Jr., Chairperson  
Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Policy Committee



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**Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Executive Director**

**Press Release: 3/20/15**

## **Evansville MPO 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment:**

Public review and comment is being sought by the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO) concerning a proposed amendment to the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Evansville-Henderson Urbanized Area as described below:

The Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) requested the following amendment:

Des# 1500338 Section 5310 Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities: Add project to acquire two paratransit vehicles at a cost of \$185,000. Acquisition costs will be funded with 80% federal Section 5310 funds and a 20% local match.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) requested the following amendment:

Des# 1400191 Bridge Rehabilitation or Repair on US 41 and SR 68 (includes Des# 1500030 & 1500335): Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2016. PE costs of \$379,440 will be funded with 80% federal National Highway System (NHS) funds and a 20% State match.

The proposed amendments will be acted on at the EMPO Policy Committee Meeting to be held at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 2, 2015. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in Room 301 of the Evansville Civic Center Complex located at 1 N.W. MLK Jr. Blvd., Evansville, IN 47708.

Public comments on the proposed TIP amendment may be made by phone to the EMPO office at (812) 436-7833, by e-mail at [comments@evansvillempo.com](mailto:comments@evansvillempo.com) or by mail addressed to Craig Luebke, Evansville MPO, Civic Center Complex, Room 316, 1 N.W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Evansville, IN 47708-1833. Comments will be received until April 1, 2015.