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### Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The TIP, Transportation Improvement Program, is a four-year transportation plan that outlines the projects that will be started in the next four years. Due to the limited amount of local, state and federal funding available each year for transportation improvements, it is important to prioritize the projects and in some cases, space out the phases of a project over several years. The phases a project goes through include preliminary engineering, right-of-way engineering and acquisition, and construction. What year the phase of a project is undertaken is determined based on the availability of funding and the cost of the project phase. The priority of projects is assessed each year when the Urban Transportation Advisory Board (UTAB) updates the TIP after an evaluation of each project's progress and the available funds.

Projects for the TIP are taken from the current long range transportation plan. The most recent long range plan is the 2030-II Long-Range Transportation Plan. The 2030-II Transportation Plan is a comprehensive transportation plan that addresses the future needs of the transportation system. It includes highway, transit, pedestrian, and bicycle improvement projects and policies. The projects and policies help the Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC), UTAB, and all the various jurisdictions address the future needs of the transportation system.

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**ADA Workshop held at IPFW**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) conducted an American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan Workshop for local public agencies in Northeast Indiana on July 25, 2011 at the Indiana University Purdue University at Fort Wayne (IPFW) campus. This was a free workshop for all local public agencies (LPA) in Northeast Indiana. The FHWA conducted these workshops throughout Indiana this past summer to provide information on what a transition plan (TP) is, who needs a TP, what goes into a TP and an opportunity to discuss and develop ideas with other communities.

ADA Transition Plans are documents that identify physical obstacles that limit the accessibility of facilities to people with disabilities and provide a schedule for the removal of those obstacles. A viable ADA transition plan is a required document for governments with over 50 employees. Additionally, removing discrimination through the implementation of your transition plan is a requirement to receive federal funds (i.e. road projects and community development projects). Therefore, it is expected that each community's ADA transition plan can demonstrate how it is making progress to address the needs of people with disabilities. While transition plans were to be completed in 1995, LPAs are being reminded that they need to be in compliance and have updated transition plans. The goal is to ensure that LPAs have a specific plan of action by December 2011, and have reviewed and completed their updated ADA transition plans by December of 2012.

The following information is an overview of the requirements local public agencies (based on their total number of employees) must follow to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

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**TIP continued...**

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-2015 TIP has been approved and is currently available on NIRCC's website. Just go to [www.nircc.com](http://www.nircc.com). You can also see a summarized version of the FY 2012-2015 TIP projects starting on page 3 of this newsletter. Pages 3 through 9 list the projects that are funded with local, state, and federal funds. There are maps illustrating the local and state TIP projects on pages 3 and 7. Please note that there have been amendments to the TIP since the approval in April. To see these amendments please go to our website where the most current version of the TIP is posted.

**TIP Abbreviations**

PE=Preliminary Engineering RW=Right-of-way CN=Construction



# Transportation Improvement Program - Fiscal Year 2012-2015

## Federally and Locally Funded Projects

**Local TIP**

**Type of Funding**

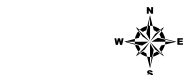
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**Projects FY 12 - 15**

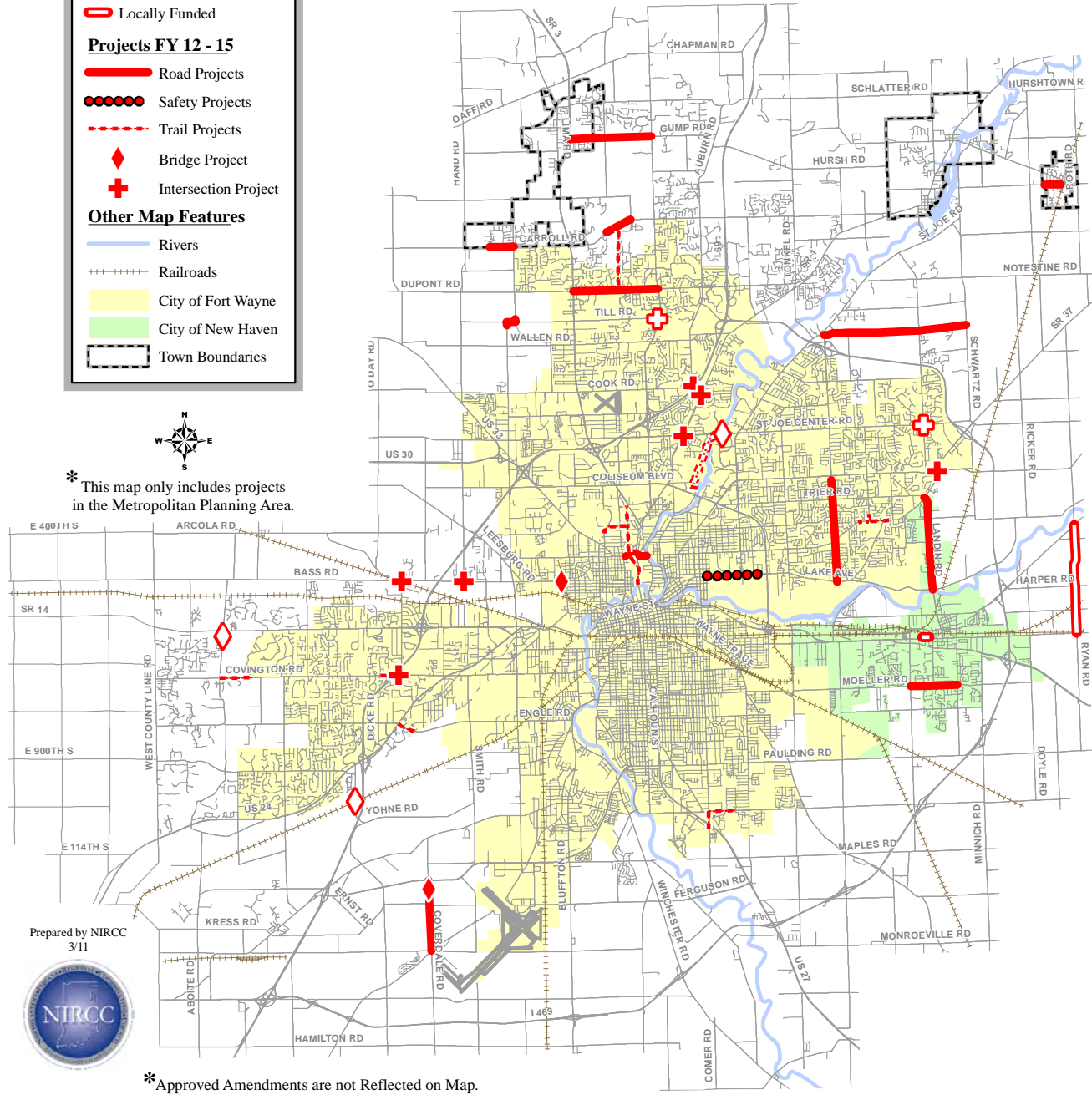
- Road Projects
- Safety Projects
- - - - - Trail Projects
- ◆ Bridge Project
- + Intersection Project

**Other Map Features**

- Rivers
- - - - - Railroads
- City of Fort Wayne
- City of New Haven
- Town Boundaries



\* This map only includes projects in the Metropolitan Planning Area.



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## FY 2012 TIP Locally Funded Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
Bull Rapids Rd Bridge #401	CN	Bridge Replacement
Coldwater Rd & Till Rd	CN	Traffic Signal Installation
Ellison Rd: Bridge #228 over McCulloch Ditch	CN	New Bridge Construction
Johnny Appleseed Park to Shoaff Park Trail (Phase 1C)	CN	New Trail Construction
Ryan Rd/Bruick Rd - Dawkins Rd to US 24	PE	Road Reconstruction
St Joseph Center Road: Bridge #108 over the St Joseph River	CN	Bridge Replacement
St Joseph Center Rd & Wheelock Rd	CN	Intersection Improvements
South St - West St to State St	CN	Reconstruction & Rehab
Washington Blvd/Coliseum Blvd Cloverleaf	CN	Interchange Lighting
Webster Rd/Woodburn Rd	CN	Reconstruction & New Construction
West Hamilton Rd: Bridge #221 over Beal-Taylor Ditch	CN	Bridge Rehabilitation & Widening
Winchester Rd: Bridge #261 over Nickleson Creek	CN	Bridge Rehabilitation & Widening

## FY 2012 TIP Federally and Locally Funded Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
2nd Street - Shoal Ln to Main St	RW	Road Reconstruction
Auburn Rd - Cook Rd & Clinton St	CN	Intersection Improvements
Bass Rd & Hadley Rd	RW	Intersection Improvements
Carroll Rd - Corbin Rd to .5 mi w/o Corbin Rd	PE	Road Reconstruction/Realignment
Carroll Rd - Preserve Blvd to Bethel Rd	RW	Road Reconstruction
Clinton St & Washington Center Rd	PE	Intersection Improvements
Coverdale Rd - Indianapolis Rd to Airport Exp	CN	Road Reconstruction
Coverdale Rd - Bridge #231 over Robinson-Brindle Ditch	CN	Bridge Replacement
Covington Rd Trail - Ladue Ln to I-69	RW	New Trail Construction
Covington Rd Trail - Beal-Taylor Ditch to West Hamilton Rd	RW/CN	New Trail Construction
Dawkins Rd - Bridge #187 over Litzenburg Drain	CN	Bridge Replacement
Engle Rd Trail - Jefferson Blvd to Towpath Trail	RW	New Trail Construction
Flutter Rd - Schwartz Rd to Maplecrest Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction/Realignment
Fort Wayne CBD - Pedestrian Signal Indicators (Phase I & II)	CN	Pedestrian Signal Indicators
Fort Wayne CBD - Special Pavement Markings (Piano Key)	CN	Crosswalk Indicators
Johnny Appleseed Park to Shoaff Park Trail (Phase 1B)	CN	New Trail Construction
Lake Ave - Anthony Blvd to Stanley Avenue	CN	Road Diet
Landin Rd - North River Rd to Maysville Rd	RW	Road Reconstruction/Realignment
Maplecrest Rd - Lake Ave to State Blvd	RW	Road Reconstruction
Moeller Rd - Green Rd to Hartzell Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction
Pufferbelly Trail - Fourth St to Fernhill Ave	RW	New Trail Construction
Signal Controller Upgrade-283 intersections	CN	Signal Upgrade
Six Mile Creek Trail	RW	New Trail Construction
State Blvd - Spy Run Ave to Cass	RW	Added Travel Lanes
State Blvd, Lahmeyer Rd & Maysville Rd Sidewalk	CN	New Sidewalk Construction

## FY 2013 TIP Federally and Locally Funded Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
Bass Rd & Hadley Rd	CN	Intersection Improvements
Bass Rd & Kroemer Rd	RW	Intersection Improvements
Bethel Rd / Huguenard Rd / Till Rd	RW	Intersection Realignment
Carroll Rd - Corbin Rd to .5 mi w/o Corbin Rd	RW	Road Reconstruction/Realignment
Clinton St & Washington Center Rd	RW	Intersection Improvements
Covington Rd & Dicke Rd	CN	Intersection Improvements
Dupont Rd - Lima Rd (SR 3) to Coldwater Rd	RW	Added Travel Lanes
Engle Rd Trail - Jefferson Blvd to Towpath Trail	CN	New Trail Construction
Gump Rd - SR 3 to Coldwater Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction
Maplecrest Rd - Lake Ave to State Blvd	CN	Road Reconstruction
Maplecrest Rd - State Blvd to Stellhorn Rd	PE	Road Reconstruction
Pufferbelly Trail - Fourth St to Fernhill Ave	CN	New Trail Construction
Pufferbelly Trail - Dupont Rd to Carroll Rd	CN	New Trail Construction
Six Mile Creek Trail	CN	New Trail Construction
State Blvd - Spy Run Ave to Clinton St (Phase 1)	CN	Added Travel Lanes
Wireless Vehicle Detection-68 intersections	CN	Equipment & Installation

## FY 2014 TIP Federally and Locally Funded Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
2nd St (Grabill): Shoal Ln to Main St	CN	Road Reconstruction
Bethel Rd / Huguenard Rd / Till Rd	CN	Intersection Realignment
Carroll Rd - Corbin Rd to .5 mi w/o Corbin Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction/Realignment
Carroll Rd - Preserve Blvd to Bethel Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction
Clinton St & Washington Center Rd	CN	Intersection Improvements
Covington Rd Trail - Ladue Ln to I-69	CN	New Trail Construction
Maysville Rd & Stellhorn Rd	PE	Intersection Improvements
State Blvd - Clinton St to Cass St (Phase 2)	CN	Added Travel Lanes
State Blvd - Clinton St to Cass St (Phase 2 - bridge over Spy Run Creek)	CN	Bridge Replacement
State Blvd - Clinton St to Cass St (Phase 2 - ped bridge over State Blvd)	CN	New Pedestrian Bridge

## FY 2015 TIP Federally and Locally Funded Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
Dupont Rd - Lima Rd (SR 3) to Coldwater Rd	CN	Added Travel Lanes
Dupont Rd - Lima Rd (SR 3) to Coldwater Rd (ped tunnel at Pufferbelly Trail)	CN	Pedestrian Tunnel
Landin Rd - North River Rd to Maysville Rd	CN	Road Reconstruction/Realignment

## FY 2012 Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corporation

Eight (8) Replacement Minibuses (body on chassis)  
Rehab/Renovate Admin/Maintenance Facility  
AVL/Communication Hardware/Subscription Cost  
Other Maintenance Equipment  
Computer/Office Equipment  
CMAQ - University Shuttle

CMAQ - Discount Pass Program  
JARC  
New Freedom  
Capitalization of Maintenance Costs  
Complimentary Paratransit Costs

## FY 2013 Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corporation

One (1) Replacement Minibus (Body on Chassis)  
Three (3) Replacement modified minivan Supervisor vehicles  
One (1) Replacement maintenance truck  
Rehab/Renovate Admin/Maintenance Facility  
AVL/Communication Hardware/Subscription Cost

Other Maintenance Equipment  
Computer/Office Equipment  
JARC  
New Freedom  
Capitalization of Maintenance Costs  
Complimentary Paratransit Costs

## FY 2014 Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corporation

Four(4) Heavy Duty Replacement Hybrid Buses  
Computer/Office Equipment  
AVL/Communication Hardware/Subscription Cost  
Other Maintenance Equipment  
JARC - Low income Transportation to and from work

New Freedom - Transportation Above & Beyond  
ADA Requirements  
Capitalization of Maintenance Costs  
Complimentary Paratransit Costs

## FY 2015 Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corporation

Four(4) Heavy Duty Replacement Hybrid Buses  
Four (4) Replacement Minibus (Body on Chassis)  
FLEX Route  
Five (5) Replacement Minibus (Body on Chassis)  
ACCESS  
Computer/Office Equipment  
AVL/Communication Hardware/Subscription Cost  
Other Maintenance Equipment

JARC - Low income Transportation to and from work  
State PMTF  
New Freedom - Transportation Above & Beyond  
ADA Requirements  
Local Share  
Capitalization of Maintenance Costs  
Complimentary Paratransit Costs

## FY 2012 Human Services Agencies (2011 Funding Cycle)

### 1. Community Transportation Network

One (1) Medium Transit Vehicle w/Lift

### 2. Community Transportation Network

One (1) Low-Floor Mini-Van w/Ramp

# Transportation Improvement Program - Fiscal Year 2012-2015

## Federally and State Funded Projects

**Indiana Department of Transportation**

**Projects FY 12 - 15**

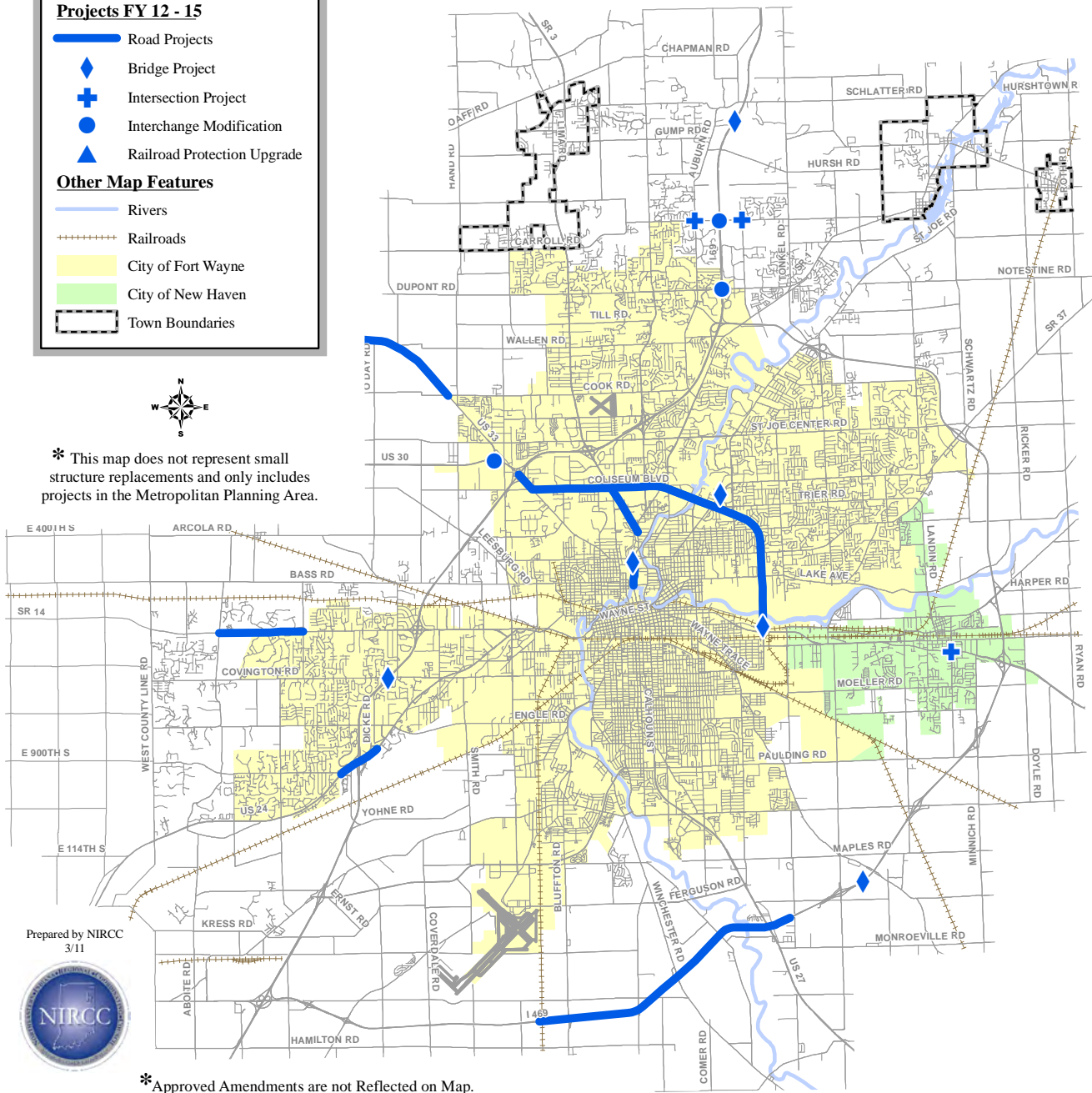
- ▬ Road Projects
- ◆ Bridge Project
- + Intersection Project
- Interchange Modification
- ▲ Railroad Protection Upgrade

**Other Map Features**

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\* This map does not represent small structure replacements and only includes projects in the Metropolitan Planning Area.



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## FY 2012 TIP INDOT Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
SR 14: from Scott Rd to West Hamilton Rd	RW/CN	Added Travel Lanes
US 24 E: Phase I, II, III, IV (I-469 to Ohio State Line)	CN	Transfer/Relinquishment
US 27: realign SB US 27: Spy Run Creek to E 4th St (Includes Bridge over Spy Run Creek)	CN	Road Reconstruction
US 27: Lima Rd at Clinton St, north to SR 930 (Coliseum Blvd)	PE	Road Rehabilitation
US 30: over Solon Ditch, 3.2 miles E of County Line	CN	Pipe Lining
US 30: at US 33, 0.66 mile W of I-69	PE	Interchange Modification
I-69: Covington Rd bridge over I-69, 2.07 mi n/o US 24	CN	Bridge Replacement
I-69: at SR 1 (Dupont Rd) Interchange	PE	Interchange Modification
I-69: Various locations in Grant, Allen, DeKalb, and Steuben Counties	CN	Cable Barrier Installation
I-69: Union Chapel Rd over I-69, 1.43 mi n/o SR 1	CN	Bridge Replacement
I-69: at Union Chapel Rd	RW/CN	New Interchange
I-469: from 0.7 mi. w/o SR 1 to 0.5 mi. e/o US 27	PE	Road Rehabilitation
I-469: from I-69 S to SR 37 Jct	CN	Signing Installation/Repair
I-469: from I-69 S Jct to 4.33 miles east (Wheelock Rd) of I-69 N Jct	CN	Concrete Pavement Restoration
SR 930: 1.1 miles E of I-469 at the Intersection of Green St in New Haven	PE	Added Travel Lanes, Construct Turn Lanes
SR 930: bridges over NS Railroad, 5.36 mi e/o US 27	CN	Bridge Deck Replacement
SR 930: from 1.23 mi east of US 27 (Parnell Ave) to 2.18 mi east of US 27 (Crescent Ave)	PE	Added Travel Lanes
Union Chapel intersections with Auburn Rd and Diebold Rd	CN	Intersection Improvements

## FY 2013 TIP INDOT Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
US 24 E: Phase I, II, III, IV (I-469 to Ohio State Line)	CN	Transfer/Relinquishment
US 24: from .49 mi w/o I-69 (Liberty Mills Rd) to .35 mi e/o I-69 (Lutheran Hospital Entrance)	CN	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance
US 27: over Valentine Ditch, 3.2 mi n/o Adams/Allen County Line	PE	Small Structure Replacement
US 30: at US 33, 0.66 mile W of I-69	PE	Interchange Modification
I-69: Covington Rd bridge over I-69, 2.07 mi n/o US 24	CN	Bridge Replacement
I-69: bridge over Cedar Creek (NB & SB), 3.62 mi n/o SR 1	PE	Bridge Rehabilitation
I-69: at SR 1 (Dupont Rd) Interchange	CN	Interchange Modification
SR 930: from I-69 to 7.48 mi e/o I-69	CN	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance
SR 930: 1.1 miles E of I-469 at the Intersection of Green St in New Haven	PE/RW	Added Travel Lanes, Construct Turn Lanes
SR 930: from 1.23 mi east of US 27 (Parnell Ave) to 2.18 mi east of US 27 (Crescent Ave)	PE/RW	Added Travel Lanes
Pedestrian Bridge over Crescent Ave (IPFW)	PE	Bridge Inspection



## FY 2014 TIP INDOT Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
US 27: Lima Rd at Clinton St, north to SR 930 (Coliseum Blvd)	CN	Road Rehabilitation
US 30: at US 33, 0.66 mile W of I-69	RW	Interchange Modification
US 33: from 1.56 miles N of US 30 to 0.45 miles N of SR 205	CN	HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance
I-69 and I-469 within Fort Wayne District	CN	Signing Project
SR 930: from 1.23 mi east of US 27 (Parnell Ave) to 2.18 mi east of US 27 (Crescent Ave)	CN	Added Travel Lanes

## FY 2015 TIP INDOT Projects

Project	Phase	Improvement Type
US 27: over Valentine Ditch, 3.2 mi n/o Adams/Allen County Line	RW	Small Structure Replacement
US 30: at US 33, 0.66 mile W of I-69	CN	Interchange Modification
I-69: bridge over Cedar Creek (NB & SB), 3.62 mi n/o SR 1	CN	Bridge Rehabilitation
I-469: from 0.7 mi. w/o SR 1 to 0.5 mi. e/o US 27 (includes 10 bridges)	PE/CN	Road Rehabilitation
I-469: EB bridge over Houk Ditch, 2.19 mi E of US 27/US 33 interchange	CN	Bridge Maintenance and Repair
SR 930: 1.1 miles E of I-469 at the Intersection of Green St in New Haven	CN	Added Travel Lanes, Construct Turn Lanes

### ADA Workshop continued...

**All government agencies** are required to do a self-evaluation (collection of inventory) of their programs (current services, policies, and practices) for discrimination and compliance, but are not required to do a transition plan. The inventory must be made available for public comment. In addition all LPAs are required to publish their nondiscrimination notice and complaint policy.

**Government agencies with at least 15 employees** (including full, part-time and volunteer employees, elected officials and contractual employees) are required to do a self-evaluation (collection of inventory) of their programs (current services, policies, and practices) for discrimination and compliance; are required to have a designated official (coordinator) responsible for their ADA compliance; and they must also have a grievance/compliance procedure. The inventory must be made available for public comment. In addition they are required to publish their nondiscrimination notice and grievance/compliance procedure.

**Government agencies with 50 or more employees** (including full, part-time and volunteer employees, elected officials and contractual employees) are required to have an ADA Transition Plan as stated in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

A transition plan requires the following components:

- 1) Identify an ADA Coordinator
- 2) Provide Public Notice about ADA Requirements
- 3) Establish a Grievance Procedure
- 4) Develop Design Standards, Specifications, Details
- 5) Transition Plan (TP)
- 6) Approving a Schedule (time and budget) to Remove Barriers
- 7) Monitoring Progress of TP

A brief description of the transition plan steps is provided below. The goal is to have all LPAs review and update the tasks identified in Steps 1 through

4 of their ADA process by December 31, 2011 and Steps 5 through 7 by December 31, 2012. Following this process should ensure compliance with the ADA provisions.

#### *Step 1 Designating an ADA Coordinator*

The person selected must be familiar with LPA operations, must be knowledgeable with the ADA, and the coordinator must have sufficient authority, time and resources to accomplish duties.

#### *Step 2 Providing Public Notice about ADA Requirements*

Providing public notice can be done in different ways. Each government agency must decide what is effective and works best for them. Many methods of providing public notice should be utilized to ensure everyone has access to the information. The public must be informed about their rights under the ADA and the responsibility of the LPA under the ADA. Information and notification should be an on-going/continuous process. Public outreach should include (but is not limited to the following) local activists, advocacy groups, elected officials, general citizens as well as other agencies.

#### *Step 3 Establishing a Grievance Procedure*

The system for receiving and resolving complaints of disability discrimination should be handled in a prompt and fair manner. There should be many options in how a complaint can be filed; a variety of forms and formats, such as by phone, email, online or in person. In addition to the filing format the grievance procedure should have a clear description of the time frame the procedure will take to resolve and in the case of an adverse decision how to appeal.

#### *Step 4 Developing/Adopting Design Standards, Specifications and Details*

To achieve this step, government agencies will adopt specific design standards, specifications and details to use when removing barriers. The following guidelines are recommended: for building standards the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) and the *Draft* Public Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) for public right of way standards.

#### *Step 5 ADA Transition Plan*

The transition plan will provide a method for the LPA to schedule and implement ADA-required improvements to existing streets and sidewalks in the public right of way (PROW). The transition plan should consist of the following elements:

- 1) A list of physical barriers that limit accessibility of individuals with disabilities (the self-evaluation)
- 2) A detailed description of the methods to remove these barriers and make the facilities accessible
- 3) A schedule for taking the necessary steps
- 4) The name of the official responsible for implementation
- 5) A record of the opportunity given to the public to participate in the development of the plan

Inventory and implementation are the keys to this step. Collecting the data inventory establishes a baseline which enables the LPA to demonstrate good-faith efforts in addressing noncompliance. The baseline validates the progress as it is monitored and measured. A very detailed approach for setting priorities for dealing with barriers helps with successful implementation.

#### *Step 6 Approving a Schedule (time and budget) to Remove Barriers*

The transition plan should include a schedule of improvements to upgrade accessibility in each year following the adoption of the plan and continuing until all barriers have been removed. Funding sources to implement the schedule needs to be addressed/adopted. The schedule should also include a prioritization list of the projects to be completed.

#### *Step 7 Monitoring Progress of TP*

In order to be effective the transition plan needs to be re-evaluated periodically for compliance and validity. The transition plan should be viewed as a “living document” and updated regularly to reflect implementation of projects and to include any new noncompliance items.

For additional resources on the ADA Transition Plan please go to the NIRCC website at [NIRCC.com](http://NIRCC.com) and

click on the ADA link. There are example transition plans from state, county and municipalities. There are also sample grievance procedures and links to all the handouts from the ADA transition plan workshop, IN-DOT's resource page, technical guidance (the ADAAG and PROWAG links) and much more.

If you have questions about the ADA Transition Plan or what your agency is required to complete, you may contact the NIRCC staff with any questions (260-449-7309).

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On April 22 NIRCC moved to a new office location. The newly renovated Citizens Square building is NIRCC's new home. Our new address is:

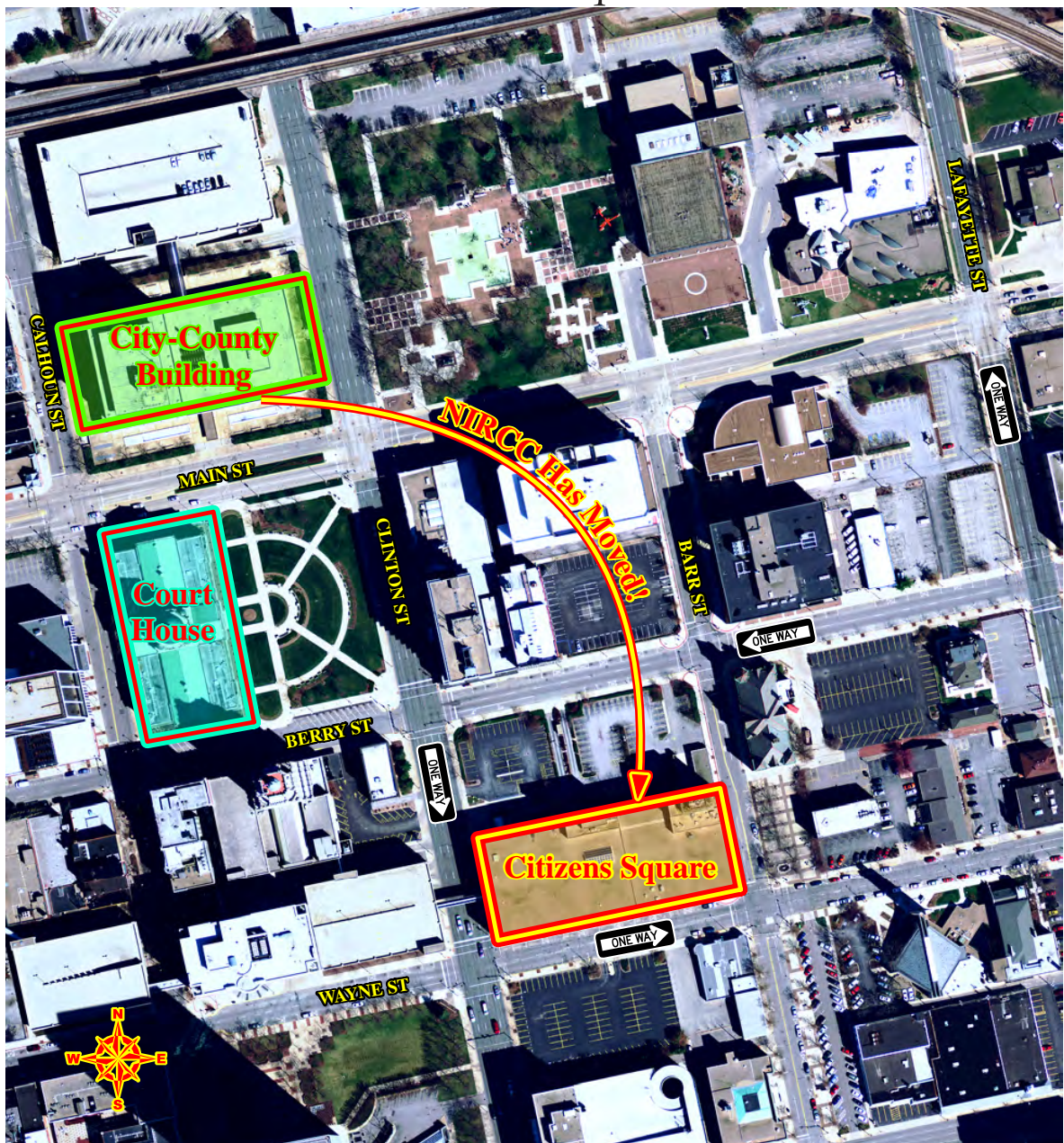
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### **Planning For Bicycle-Friendly Communities Seminar**

This past May Bicycle Indiana and the Indiana State Department of Health provided a seminar titled “Planning for Bicycle-Friendly Communities. This was one of ten seminars for Planning Bicycle-Friendly Communities presented throughout Indiana this past summer. The seminar was designed to provide the knowledge and skills needed to help plan for bicycling as a means of active transportation. People attending the seminar included planners, engineers, elected officials, area business leaders, consultants, and bicycle advocates from all around northeast Indiana.

Fort Wayne has recently added a significant amount of bicycle-friendly facilities in its push towards becoming a bicycle-friendly community. This seminar gave ideas and information on how to further our goals of attaining a bicycle-friendly community and increase our active transportation and physical activity choices.

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FIG. 1. – Bicycle.