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Transportation Improvement Program

he TIP is defined as a staged multi-year transportation capital improvement program that serves the Fort Wayne - New Haven - Allen County Metropolitan Planning Area. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA), have required a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) since 1977 from urbanized areas exceeding 50,000 population. Various groups assisting the North-

eastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council (NIRCC) determined that a three-year program best serves the transportation needs of the area it covers.

The TIP includes projects recommended from the Transportation Management Systems and the long-range elements of the Transportation Study for Local Public Agencies (LPAs), Indiana Department of Transportation's Highway Improvement Program, and projects of the Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corporation (Citilink). The management systems, as implemented by the Indiana Department of Transportation, Local Governments, and the Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council, have replaced the short-range Transportation System Management (TSM) program as a source of improvement projects. The management systems document transportation deficiencies and solutions on the transportation system. Projects from the management systems include safety, traffic operation, congestion mitigation, and transit improvements. The local emphasis is on the Congestion Management System to promote efficient use of existing capacity and access management tools. The Transportation Plan encompasses the management systems, and together as a comprehensive Transportation Plan, provides the planning support for projects selected for inclusion in the TIP.

The TIP serves the local officials of the Fort Wayne urbanized area as a program for transportation improvements that may be undertaken during the three-year period. The program must fit the projected dollars that are anticipated for the 3-year period. The TIP (Fiscal Years 2005, 2006, and 2007) represents an implementation schedule of state and local projects.

TIP Status Report

The following list contains federally / locally funded projects:

2004 Status Report			
Local Road Projects	Phase	Local Road Projects	Phase
Aboite Center Rd: W. Jefferson Blvd to Coventry LN	CN	Wayne Trace: Pontiac St to Oxford St	RW
Added Travel Lanes Re	submitted	Road Reconstruction	In Process
Ardmore Ave: Lwr Hunington Rd to Indianapolis Rd	RW/CN	Landin Rd / North River Rd	CN
New Construction In	n Process	1	Resubmitted
Arubum Rd @ Cook Rd & Clinton St	PE	River Greenway: E. terminus along Ma	umee CN
Intersection Improvement In	n Process	Enhancement	Resubmitted
Arubum Rd @ Cook Rd & Clinton St	RW	West Jefferson Greenway Ext: Swinney	y CN
Intersection Improvement Re	submitted	Park to Rockhill Park	
Getz Rd/W. Jefferson Blvd/Covington Rd	RW	Enhancement	In Process
Intersection Improvements Re	submitted		

Abbreviations

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2005 Projects			
Local Road Projects	Phase	Local Road Projects	Phase
Aboite Center Rd: W. Jefferson Blvd to Coventry Ln	CN	River Greenway: E. terminus along Maumee River	CN
Added Travel Lanes		Enhancement	
Arubum Rd @ Cook Rd & Clinton St	RW	St Joe Center Rd: St Joe Rd to Reed Rd	CN
Intersection Improvement		Added Travel Lanes	
Bass Rd: Hillegas Rd to Scott Rd	PE	Spring St Bridge over NS Railroad	PE
RoadReconstruction		Bridge Reconstruction	
Dupont Rd: Pine Mills Rd to Auburn Rd	CN	<u>Citilink</u>	
Road Reconstruction/Realignment		Capitalization of Maintenance Costs	
Getz Rd/W. Jefferson Blvd/Covington Rd	RW	Complementary Paratransit Costs	
Intersection Improvements		Two Buses (low Floor) 35'	
Landin Rd/North River Rd	CN	Two Paratransit Vans (medium duty)	
Intersection Improvement		Leesburg Road Facility Improvements	
Moeller Rd: Green St to Hartzell Rd	PE		
RoadReconstruction			
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2006 Projects			
Local Road Projects	Phase	Local Road Projects	Phase
Aruburn Rd @ Cook Rd & Clinton St	CN	St Joe Center Rd: Reed Rd to Maplecrest Rd	PE
Intersection Improvement		RoadReconstruction	
Bass Rd: Hillegas Rd to Scott Rd	RW	State Blvd: Spy Run Ave to Clinton St	PE
Road Reconstruction		Added Travel Lanes	
GetzRd/W. Jefferson Blvd/Covington Rd	CN	<u>Citilink</u>	
Intersection Improvements		Capitalization of Maintenance Costs	
Gump Rd: SR 3 to Coldwater Rd	PE	Complementary Paratransit Costs	
Road Reconstruction		Two Paratransit Vans (medium duty)	
Maysville Rd/Stellhorn Rd: Maplecrest Rd to bridge	PE	Northside Satellite Terminal	
structure on Maysville Rd Added Travel Land	es	AVL/Communication Subscription Cost	
Moeller Rd: Green St to Hartzell Rd	CN		
RoadReconstruction			

2007 Projects			
Local Road Projects	Phase	Local Road Projects	Phase
Bass Rd: Hillegas Rd to Scott Rd	CN	Wayne Trace: Pontiac St to Oxford St	CN
Road Reconstruction		Road Reconstruction/Realignment	
Flutter Rd: Schwartz Rd to Maplecrest Rd	PE	<u>Citilink</u>	
Road Reconstruction		Capitalization of Maintenance Costs	
Maysville Rd/Stellhorn Rd: Maplecrest Rd to bridge	RW	Complementary Paratransit Costs	
structure on Maysville Rd Road Reconstru	uction	Two Minibuses (body on chassis)	
St Joe Center Rd: Reed Rd to Maplecrest Rd	RW	Six Buses (low floor) 30'	
Road Reconstruction		Four Buses (low floor) 35'	
State Blvd: Spy Run Ave to Clinton St	RW	AVL/Communication Subscription Cost	
Added Travel Lanes		Bus Shelters, Street Furniture, and Signage	
Spring St Bridge over NS Railroad	CN		
Bridge Reconstruction			

Abbreviations

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



Local TIP Projects FY 05 - 07 Prepared by NIRCC Road Projects Bridge Projects Intersection Projects Enhancement Projects Hazard Elimination Safety Projects FI UTTER R SR I 469

Federally / Locally Funded Projects

* Projects located outside the metropolitan planning area are not displayed on this map.

Vehicle Miles of Travel - VMT

The purpose of the vehicle miles of travel (VMT) estimate is to provide a measurement of regional traffic growth. The VMT estimate incorporates several factors that influence quality of travel within a region including traffic volume, length and type of roadway facility, seasonal traffic variations, and vehicle types. The VMT estimate has been published annually for the region beginning in Fiscal Year 1986. With each annual estimate, the transportation planning staff has attempted to improve its sampling and analytical skills to produce the most reliable estimate possible.

Region-wide, vehicle miles of travel decreased from 7,140,708 million in 2002 to 7,032,114 million in 2003. This represents a decrease of 1.52 percent. The VMT decreased on expressways (2.16%), arterial streets (2.17%), and collector streets (1.44%) from 2002.

SLOWER TRAFFIC KEEP RIGHT

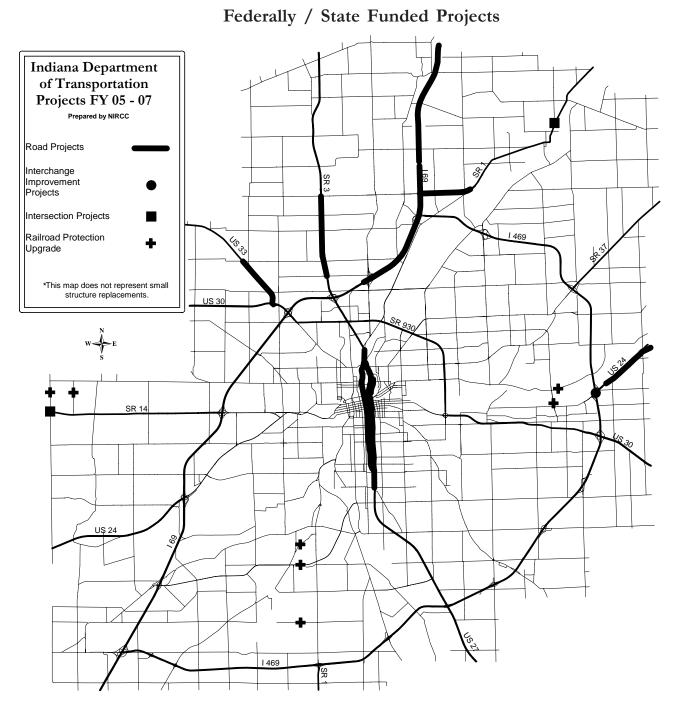
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The following list contains federally / state funded projects:

2005 Projects			
State Projects	Phase	State Projects	Phase
SR1: @ Amstutz Rd	CN	US 33: @ Carroll Rd, 7.1 min/o US 30 (includes flashers)	CN
New Signal Installation		Intersection Improvements	
SR 1: from I-69 to 0.21 mi E/o Tonkel Rd	RW	SR 37: over Bottern Ditch & Grice Ditch, N/o I-469	RW
Added Travel Lanes (includes signals & signs)		Small Structure Replacement	
SR 14: @ Allen County/Whitley County Line Rd	PE	Landin Rd: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478210M)	CN
Intersection Improvements		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 24: from .5 mie/o Webster Rd to .5 mi w/o SR 101	PE	Noyer Rd: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478039B)	PE/CN
New Road Construction		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 24: @ I-469 Interchange, NE of Fort Wayne	PE	Airport Exp: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478051H)	PE/CN
New Road Construction		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 24: from .5 mi e/o I-469 to .5 mi e/o Ryan/Bruick Rd	PE	McArthur Dr. At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478052P)	PE/CN
New Road Construction (includes interchange)		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 24: from .5 mi e/o Ryan/Bruick Rd to .5 mi e/o Webster Rd	PE	Winters Rd: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478114K)	PE/CN
New Road Construction (includes interchange)		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 24: from .5 mi w/o SR 101 to Indiana/Ohio State Line	PE	North River Rd: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478208L)	PE/CN
New Road Construction (includes interchange)		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 27: on NB Spy Run Ave from St Mary's Riverto Riverside Ave	e PE	West County Line Rd: At-Grade Railroad Crossing (ID#478040)	7) PE/CN
Road Rehabilitation		Railroad Protection Upgrade	
US 33: from US 30 to Cook Rd (includes signs & signals)	CN		
Added Travel Lanes			

2006 Projects			
State Projects	Phase	State Projects	Phase
SR 3: from Ludwig Rd to Dupont Rd (includes signals)	CN	US 24: from .5 mie/o Ryan/Bruick Rd to .5 mie/o Webster Rd	RW
Added Travel Lanes		New Road Construction (includes interchange)	
SR 14: @ Allen County/Whitley County Line Rd	RW	US 24: from .5 mi w/o SR 101 to Indiana/Ohio State Line	RW
Intersection Improvements		New Road Construction (includes interchange)	
US 24: from .5 mie/o Webster Rd to .5 mi w/o SR 101	RW	US 24: bridge over Gustin Ditch, 1.01 mi e/o SR 101	CN
Intersection Improvement		Bridge Replacement	
US 24: @ I-469 Interchange, NE of Fort Wayne	RW	US 27: from Pettit Ave to Northrup St (Lima Rd) in Fort Wayne	CN
New Road Construction		Resurfacing	
US 24: from .5 mi e/o I-469 to .5 mi e/o Ryan/Bruick Rd	RW	US 27: on NB Spy Run Ave from St Mary's River to Riverside Ave	e RW
New Road Construction (includes interchange)		Road Rehabilitation	

State Projects	Phase	State Projects Ph	ase
SR 1: from I-69 to 0.21 mie/o Tonkel Rd	CN	I-69: from .83 mi N/o SR 1 to 9.51 mi N/o SR 1	Έ
Added Travel Lanes (includes small structure, sign	als & signs)	Road Rehabilitation (includes 7 bridges)	
US 33: over S branch of Benward Ditch, 2.85 mi n/o US 30	CN	I-69: from 0.48 mi. s/o Coldwater Rd to 0.86 mi. n/o SR 1/Dupont C	N
Small Structure Replacement		Rd (includes 2 bridges, signs and lights)	
SR 37: over Bottern Ditch & Grice Ditch, n/o I-469	CN	Added Travel Lanes	
Small Structure Replacement			
SR 37: @ Antwerp Rd/Water St	CN		
Intersection Improvement			



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The changes in VMT from year to year can be attributed to a number of possibilities. The most evident reason for VMT changes can be accredited to the increase or decrease in the amount of travel. Economic factors also increase/decrease VMT. The price of gasoline, unemployment rates, and automobile operating costs are a few examples of economic effects. Weather conditions also increase/decrease VMT, for example, if there is a winter with significant snowfall, there will be less travel.

The graph on page 6 displays the annual VMT estimates from 1989 to 2003 in the Fort Wayne-New Haven-Allen County Metropolitan Planning Area. The VMT is anticipated to continue to grow, in part by an

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increase in automobile ownership per family, the spread of development, suburb to suburb travel, a rise in the percentage of two-income families, and other lifestyle changes.

