RESOLUTION 12-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPTING THE ADJUSTED URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY FOR THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGION

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as The Commission, designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County Region, has established a regionally cooperative, comprehensive, and continuing planning program;

WHEREAS, the 2010 Census has determined initial Urbanized Areas, based on criteria including population density, count, and size; impervious land cover; and proximity thresholds; as reflected on the Census-designated Urbanized Area boundary map; and

WHEREAS, the Census-designated urbanized area boundary determines the amount of federal highway and transit dollars apportioned to Northwestern Indiana Urbanized Areas; and

WHEREAS, the metropolitan planning organization has the option to adjust the Census-designated Urbanized Area Boundaries, to include developed areas, and to smooth the boundary line; and

WHEREAS, the Adjusted Urbanized Area Boundaries determine the areas where some categories of federal highway and transit dollars can be spent, influences the roadway functional classification system, speed limits, and control of outdoor advertising; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Commission recommends that the Adjusted Urbanized Area Boundaries for the Northwestern Indiana Region, as indicated on the attached map, and including all boundary transportation facilities as urban transportation facilities be adopted by the Indiana Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission on this thirteenth day of December, 2012.

ATTEST:

Blair Milo, Secretary

Geof Benson, Chairman