



NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: January 16, 2015

RE: **Resolution No. 2015-010 – Project Planning Reviews – 2nd Quarter State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2015**

ACTION REQUESTED

The Board of Directors is asked to approve **Resolution No. 2015-010**, which acknowledges that the projects included in the resolution have successfully completed project planning review (PPR).

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION

Attached is a list of the proposed projects that were presented to the NOACA Transportation Subcommittee (TS) at its October 17, 2014 meeting, the NOACA Planning and Programming Committee at its November 14, 2014 meeting and to the NOACA Executive Committee at its December 22, 2014 meeting in accordance with the PPR process. All three committees have recommended their approval.

NOACA's Regional Transportation Investment Policy (Resolution 2012-023) requires that all proposed federal-aid transportation projects be processed through PPR in order to meet NOACA's adopted goals and federal requirements.

PPR consists of four components: staff review, committee review, intergovernmental review and consultation (IGRC), and public involvement. The end product of PPR is a Board resolution that certifies that the project has had thorough review, allowing the project to proceed to the programming stages of the planning process.

As part of the PPR process, a detailed summary of the proposed improvement and staff and committee assessment of the project are posted on NOACA's website, www.NOACA.org. A link to the PPRs is included on the home page by clicking the 'Comment of Projects' button. Staff adds comments obtained from the public, governmental organizations and NOACA committees as they are received. Proposed projects are posted on the website for three months, allowing adequate time for review and comment.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated total cost of the proposed projects is approximately \$200.6 million, which includes approximately \$16.4 million in NOACA-controlled funds. Funding for these projects is being provided from a variety of federal, state, and local sources. Federal funding is provided by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration and is administered through NOACA and the Ohio Department of Transportation.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

Project sponsors will be notified that their project has completed PPR. NOACA staff will work with project sponsors to address any planning issues identified during PPR.

Please contact either me or Ed May at emay@mpo.noaca.org, (216) 241-2414, ext. 287, if you have any questions.

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Attachments: Project Summaries

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina, and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, through law, and the U.S. Department of Transportation, through regulation, have determined that a long-range transportation plan and a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that include federal-aid transportation projects expected to be implemented during their time frames shall be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the NOACA's Regional Transportation Investment Policy (Resolution No. 2012-023) requires that all proposed federal-aid transportation projects be processed through project planning review in order to meet transportation plan goals and federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, project planning review consists of staff technical and policy assessment, committee review, public involvement, and Intergovernmental Review and Consultation; and

WHEREAS, the following projects have been processed through project planning review:

- a) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): CUY IR-71 - 17.91R/VAR OVERLAY: PID No. 98727 - This project involves a bridge deck overlay of the IR-71 northbound bridge, over SR-176 northbound, in the Metro Curve, in Cleveland.
- b) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): LAK SR-615 - 04.03 Repair: PID No. 94337 - This project involves wearing surface repair of the bridge on Center Street (SR-615), over the Norfolk-Southern railroad, in Mentor.
- c) Lorain County Engineer: LOR WHITNEY RD: PID No. 98720 - This project involves replacing a bridge on Whitney Road (TR-72), over the West Branch of the Black River, in Pittsfield Township.
- d) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): D12 BH FYs 2017 - 2019 - The project involves district-wide bridge maintenance on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- e) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): D12 GR FYs 2017 - 2019 - This project involves a district-wide guardrail upgrade and repair on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- f) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): D12 LG FYs 2017 - 2019 - The project involves a district-wide lighting upgrade and maintenance on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- g) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): D12 PM FYs 2017 - 2019 - This project involves pavement marking on various routes and sections throughout the district in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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- h) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): D12 PPM FYs 2016 - 2019 - This project involves pavement preventive maintenance on various routes and sections throughout the district in SFYs 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- i) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): LOR SR-252 - 02.30: PID No. 91303 - This project involves rebuilding the embankment and installing drainage structures along the top of the embankment on SR-252 (Elyria Twinsburg Road), south of SR-82, in Columbia Township.
- j) Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT): CUY D12 TOLEDO-CLEVELAND RAIL STUDY: PID No. 98989 - This project involves the development of a Passenger Rail Corridor Investment Plan (PRCIP) consisting of a service development plan (SDP) for the Toledo to Cleveland rail corridor.
- k) City of Lorain: LOR COOPER FOSTER PARK RD - This project involves reconstructing Cooper Foster Park Road with a three lane cross section (one vehicular travel lane in each direction with a two-way center left turn lane), from Liberty Bell Street to Oberlin Avenue, in Lorain and Amherst.
- l) City of Mentor: LAK US-20 - 9.47 SAFETY: PID No. 98679 - This project involves the addition of a two-way center turn lane along US-20 (Mentor Avenue), from SR-615 (Center Street) to Murray Avenue, in Mentor.
- m) City of Chardon: GEA MAPLE HIGHLANDS TRAIL (PHASE II) - This project involves the construction of a shared use trail extending from Water Street (US-6), south to SR-44 (South Street), in Chardon.
- n) Sheffield Village: LOR ABBE RD - This project involves upgrading signals at three locations along Abbe Road (SR-301), at the intersection of Oster Road and at two drives located at the Ford Motor Company plant, in Sheffield Village.
- o) Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA): CUY GCRTA ADA PARATRANSIT SERVICE - This project involves specialized and federally mandated paratransit service provided throughout Cuyahoga County for individuals who are unable to use regular bus or train service provided by GCRTA due to a physical or cognitive disability.
- p) Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA): GCRTA FISCAL YEAR 2015 CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM - Various capital projects for which GCRTA is applying for Section 5307 Capital Formula, Section 5337 State of Good Repair Formula and Section 5339 Bus Facilities Formula funding and revising existing grants FFY 2013 Section 5307 Urban Grants (OH-90-X782 and OH-90-X728).
- q) Laketran: LAKETRAN FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2015 GRANT PROGRAM AMENDMENT - Laketran is amending its Section 5307 grant program and applying for Section 5339 funds in accordance with a split agreement approved by the transit systems based on the 2010 census information.
- r) Lorain County Commissioners: LORAIN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER PLATFORM AND BRIDGE: PID No. 99695 - This project involves rail platforms and a pedestrian bridge at the Lorain County Transportation and Community Center, in Elyria.

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WHEREAS, the project planning reviews may contain recommendations that require project sponsor attention or action; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that the project sponsors will, in good faith, endeavor to address comments and recommendations and will provide evidence of such, prior to the project advancing; and

WHEREAS, the above project planning reviews were recommended by the Transportation Subcommittee (TS), the Planning and Programming Committee and the Executive Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of 45 principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

Section 1: The referenced projects have successfully completed project planning review. The project planning reviews are a part of the projects' permanent record, and will be used in future programming and prioritization decisions. The projects are not subject to additional planning review unless there are significant changes in scope or finances, as determined by the appropriate committee.

Section 2: The project sponsors must endeavor to comply with any recommendations that have occurred as a result of the project planning review and will provide evidence of such in coordination meetings with NOACA staff. NOACA staff will report back to appropriate NOACA committees and the Board regarding the coordination meetings.

Section 3: The Executive Director is authorized to transmit certified copies of this resolution to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 23th day of January 2015.

Secretary: 

Date Signed: 1-23-15

Resolution No. 2015-010 SFY 2015 2nd Quarter Project Planning Review Projects

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Primary Work Category	PID No.	County	Sponsor	Project Name	Project Description	Total Cost	SFY
Bridge	98727	Cuyahoga	ODOT 12	CUY IR-71 - 17.91R Overlay	Bridge deck overlay of the I-71 northbound bridge, over SR-176 northbound, in the Metro Curve.	\$6,180,000	2015
Bridge	94337	Lake	ODOT 12	LAK SR-615 - 04.03 Repair	Wearing surface repair of the bridge on Center Street (SR-615), over the Norfolk-Southern railroad in Mentor.	\$550,000	2016
Bridge	98720	Lorain	Lorain County Engineer	LOR WHITNEY RD	Replace bridge (No. 291) on Whitney Road (TR-72), over the West Branch of the Black River in Pittsfield Township.	\$1,419,000	PLAN
Maintenance		Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake	ODOT 12	D12 BH FYs 2017 - 2019	District-wide bridge maintenance on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019. The estimated annual cost is \$2,060,000.	\$6,180,000	2017 - 2019
Maintenance		Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake	ODOT 12	D12 GR FYs 2017 - 2019	District-wide guardrail upgrade and repair on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019. The estimated annual cost is \$1,400,000.	\$4,200,000	2017 - 2019
Maintenance		Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake	ODOT 12	D12 LG FYs 2017 - 2019	District-wide district-wide lighting upgrade and maintenance on various routes and sections in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019. The estimated annual cost is \$1,500,000.	\$4,500,000	2017 - 2019
Maintenance		Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake	ODOT 12	D12 PM FYs 2017 - 2019	District-wide pavement marking on various routes and sections throughout the district in SFYs 2017, 2018 and 2019. The estimated annual cost is \$1,800,000.	\$5,400,000	2017 - 2019
Maintenance		Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake	ODOT 12	D12 PPM FYs 2016 - 2019	District-wide pavement preventive maintenance on various routes and sections throughout the district in SFYs 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. The estimated annual cost is \$2,884,000.	\$11,536,000	2016 - 2019
Maintenance	91303	Lorain	ODOT 3	LOR SR-252 - 02.30	Rebuild the embankment along the top of the embankment on SR-252 (Elyria Twinsburg Road), 0.36 miles south of SR-82, in Columbia Township.	\$552,266	2016
Planning Study	98989	Cuyahoga, Lorain	ODOT 12	D12 TOLEDO-CLEVELAND RAIL STUDY	Development of a Passenger Rail Corridor Investment Plan (PRCIP) consisting of a service development plan (SDP) for the Toledo to Cleveland rail corridor.	\$938,300	2015
Roadway		Lorain	Lorain	LOR COOPER FOSTER PARK RD	Reconstruct Cooper Foster Park Road with a three-lane cross section (one vehicular travel lane in each direction with a two-way center left turn lane), from Liberty Bell Street to Oberlin Avenue in Lorain and Amherst.	\$8,361,085	PLAN
Safety	98679	Lake	Mentor	LAK US-20 - 9.47	Addition of two-way center turn lane along US-20 (Mentor Avenue), from SR-615 (Center Street) to Murray Avenue, in Mentor	\$3,443,000	2017
Shared use		Geauga	Chardon	GEA MAPLE HIGHLANDS TRAIL PHASE II	Construct 0.86 mile shared use trail extending from Water Street (US-6) south to SR 44 (South Street), in Chardon.	\$1,982,023	PLAN
Signals		Lorain	Sheffield Village.	LOR ABBE RD	Upgrade signals at three locations along Abbe Road (SR-301), at the intersection of Oster Road and at two drives located at the Ford Motor Company plant in Sheffield Village.	\$285,000	PLAN
Transit		Cuyahoga	GCRTA	GCRTA AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA) COMPLEMENTARY PARATRANSIT SERVICE	Providing specialized and federally mandated paratransit service provided throughout Cuyahoga County for individuals who are unable to use regular bus or train service provided by GCRTA due to a physical or cognitive disability. These funds will be used to off-set costs associated with RTA's paratransit service for persons with disabilities.	\$85,896,000	PLAN
Transit		Cuyahoga	GCRTA	GCRTA FY 2015 CAPITAL PROGRAM	Various capital projects for which GCRTA is applying for Section 5307 Capital Formula, Section 5337 State of Good Repair Formula and Section 5339 Bus Facilities Formula funding and revising existing grants FFY 2013 Section 5307 Urban Grants.	\$46,331,733	2015
Transit		Lake	Laketrans	LAKETRAN FY 2015 GRANT PROGRAM AMENDMENT	Various capital projects for which Laketrans is applying for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula and Section 5339 Bus Facilities Formula funding.	\$2,875,000	2015
Transit	99695	Lorain	Lorain County Commissioners	LORAIN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER PLATFORM AND BRIDGE	Construct rail platforms and a pedestrian bridge at the Lorain County Transportation and Community Center, in Elyria.	\$9,924,010	2015

TOTAL \$200,553,417

