

WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**RESOLUTION NO. 1999- 10**

WHEREAS, The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) was enacted to promote and support economic vitality of our nation's communities by enabling global competitiveness, productivity and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, This goal is achieved by increasing accessibility options available to people and freight through the integration and connectivity of transportation systems across and between transportation modes; and

WHEREAS, Promoting efficient system management and operation will increase the safety and security of transportation systems for motorized and non-motorized users alike; and

WHEREAS, Protecting and enhancing the environment, promoting energy conservation and improving the quality of life are strengthened through a comprehensive transportation planning and decision-making process; and

WHEREAS, South and southwest counties of Indiana are eligible and qualify for federal funds under provisions of TEA-21 legislation related to the Section 1118 Borders and Corridors transportation program; and

WHEREAS, Representatives of Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Greene, Martin, Pike, Spencer and Warrick Counties have expressed an interest in securing TEA-21 funds to study local and regional connective road systems; and

WHEREAS, The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has expressed a willingness to consider providing the required 20% match on behalf of the aforementioned counties to secure TEA-21 funding; and

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Planning Office (MPC) of Evansville has agreed to serve as the technical agency on behalf of the aforementioned counties to facilitate a TEA-21 grant application;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Warrick County Board of Commissioners that:

1. Warrick County is interested in becoming a part of a multi-county TEA-21 grant application to study connective road

systems between Davless, Dubois, Gibson, Martin, Pike, Spencer and Warrick counties.

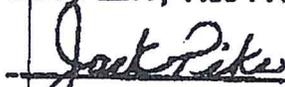
2. This federal grant will study interconnective road patterns in the eight county study area in order to develop long term solutions to local and regional transportation problems.
3. The TEA-21 grant application will require no local match from the county since INDOT has expressed a willingness to provide the 20% match on behalf of the eight aforementioned counties.
4. The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Office (MPO) will serve as the technical agency responsible for facilitating the grant process at the local level on behalf of the eight aforementioned counties.
5. The Evansville MPO will be responsible for administering the TEA-21 grant in conjunction with a technical advisory committee consisting of one representative appointed by each of eight counties.
6. The TEA-21 Borders and Corridors funding will provide assistance for long range planning and enhancement efforts related to regional transportation systems regardless of the outcome related to the interstate highway project.
7. Approval of this resolution will enable Warrick County to participate in the TEA-21 Grant application process as one of the eight lead counties seeking federal funding for transportation improvement studies.

Passed this 22ND day of November, 1999.

WARRICK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


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