NIRPC TO HOST PUBLIC MEETINGS

Public meetings will be used to gain input in anticipation of updating NIRPC's 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan

The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) will host a series of public meetings on specific subject areas throughout the region in the months of September and October. These meetings will provide the public an opportunity to provide input in anticipation of the update of NIRPC's Burnham Award-winning 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan (CRP).

The meetings to be held will cover three major subject areas: motorized surface transportation, public transit, and the environment. The dates, times, and locations are as follows:

Motorized Surface Transportation

- Thursday, September 18, 2014, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm & 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Michigan City City Hall, 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City
- Wednesday, October 1, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm & 5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Merrillville Town Hall, 7820 Broadway, Merrillville
- Tuesday, October 21, 2014, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm & 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Munster Town Hall, 1005 Ridge Road, Munster
- Wednesday October 22, 2014, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm & 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson Street, Valparaiso

Public Transit

- Monday, September 22, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, Dyer-Schererville Public Library, 1001
 W. Lincoln Highway, Schererville
- **Wednesday, September 24, 2014,** 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, East Chicago Public Library Main Branch, 2401 E. Columbus Drive, East Chicago
- Tuesday, September 30, 2014, 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Adam Benjamin Metro Center, 100 W. 4th Avenue, Gary
- Monday, October 6, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, Crown Point Public Library, 122 N. Main Street, Crown Point
- Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm, Portage City Hall, 6070 Central Avenue, Portage
- Wednesday, October 15, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, Valparaiso City Hall, 166 Lincolnway, Valparaiso
- Thursday, October 16, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, La Porte City Hall, 801 Michigan Avenue. La Porte
- Thursday, October 16, 2014, 5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Michigan City City Hall, 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City
- Wednesday, October 29, 2014, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm & 5:00pm-7:30pm, Wicker Park Social Center, 2215 Ridge Road, Highland

Environment

- Tuesday, September 16, 2014, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm, Room 002 of the Library-Student-Faculty Building at Purdue University North Central, US 421, Westville
- Wednesday, October 29, 2014, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm & 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Merrillville Town Hall, 7820 Broadway, Merrillville

The public is invited to attend any and all of these public meetings and provide input as NIRPC starts the process of updating its CRP. Comments may also be submitted to comments@nirpc.org, or by calling NIRPC at 219-763-6060 ext. 160, or by mailing to NIRPC at 6100 Southport Road, Portage, IN 46368. TTY users may call Relay Indiana at 711. Additional information, including the current 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan, may be found at www.nirpc.org.

Requests for information in alternate format may be directed to Mary Thorne at mthorne@nirpc.org, or by calling NIRPC at 219-763-6060, ext. 131 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting you plan to attend.

NIRPC is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and regional council of local governments (COG) for the three counties of Northwest Indiana. NIRPC provides the forum for local elected officials, regional leadership, and citizens to address regional issues relating to transportation, the environment and community and economic development. NIRPC seeks to develop consensus solutions with the broadest participation.

For more information, please contact NIRPC Outreach Coordinator Stephen Sostaric at 219-763-6060, ext. 155. TTY users may contact him by calling Relay Indiana at 711.