

Self Certification Resolution
Shenango Valley Area Transportation Study

RESOLUTION OF THE SHENANGO VALLEY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY to certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable federal requirements and that the local process to enhance the participation of the general public, including the transportation disadvantaged, has been followed in developing the Transportation Improvement Program and the LRTP.

WHEREAS, 23 CFR Part 450.334 specifies that, concurrent with submittal of the proposed TIP to the FHWA and the FTA as part of the STIP approval, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) shall certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements; and

WHEREAS, Sections 134 and 135 of Title 23 USC, 49 USC 5303-5304, and 23 CFR Part 450 set forth the national policy that the MPO designated for each urbanized area is to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive multimodal transportation planning process, including the development of a metropolitan transportation plan and a transportation improvement program (TIP) and establish policies and procedures for MPOs to conduct the metropolitan planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) continues to be financially constrained as required by 23 CFR Part 450.324 and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) policy on the documentation of financial capacity, published in FTA Circular 7008.1A; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 USC 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR Part 93 have been met for non-attainment and maintenance areas; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR Part 21; 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity ; The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 USC 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance; 23 USC Section 324, prohibiting discrimination based on gender; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 794), the American Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC 12101 et seq.), and 49 CFR Parts 27, 28, and 29, regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities have been met; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Section 1101(b) of SAFETEA-LU (Public Law 109-59) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged or minority business enterprises in FHWA funded planning projects and FTA funded projects have been met; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts have been addressed; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Executive Order 12898 (Federal Order to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations) have been met; and

WHEREAS, the provision of 49 CFR part 20 prohibiting recipients of federal funds from using those funds for lobbying purposes has been met; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Shenango Valley Area Transportation Study, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Youngstown-Warren-Boardman OH-PA Transportation Management Area (TMA) certifies that its metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable provisions of federal law and certifies that the local process to enhance the participation of the general public, including the transportation disadvantaged, has been followed in developing the region's transportation plans and programs, including the FFY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Shenango Valley Area Transportation Study at its meeting on July 15, 2014

ATTEST:

MPO Secretary
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Gary Hittle