



DELAWARE-MUNCIE METROPOLITAN PLAN COMMISSION

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TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

OF THE

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RESOLUTION 24-45

WHEREAS, the Delaware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission (DMMPC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), as designated by the Governor of the State of Indiana, for the Muncie Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) is the policy committee of the Metropolitan Planning Organization involved in the transportation planning process for the Muncie Urbanized Area; and


WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Delaware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission's Public Participation Plan to include Section titled Environmental Justice and Targeted Outreach was reviewed and approved by the TPC at their meeting on October 23, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Transportation Policy Committee of the DMMPC as follows:

Section 1. That the Delaware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission's Public Participation Plan is amended to include Section titled Environmental Justice and Targeted Outreach as shown in Exhibit A.

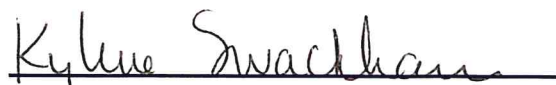
Approved this 23rd day of October, 2024.

ATTEST:


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TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

BY:


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Resolution 24-45 Exhibit A

Environmental Justice and Targeted Outreach

Additional targeted outreach methods are utilized to benefit “traditionally underserved” groups and individuals within our community. The traditionally underserved of the general population include the elderly, disabled, minority, low-income, and Limited English Proficiency (LEP). These individuals or groups in our communities tend to be neglected or excluded in outreach activities or public engagement during the transportation planning process. Federal regulations emphasize the necessity of identifying the traditionally underserved and developing techniques and procedures to increase the involvement of these community members in MPO planning activities.

The DMMPC had identified that the following population groups require targeted outreach efforts: the elderly, minorities (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic), low-income households, the disabled, no car households, and those with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). These factors have been used to identify areas of our community in need of targeted outreach. 2020 Census information was used to illustrate targeted areas showing the presence of these factors.

The following are some examples of organizations and locations for targeted outreach:

- Neighborhood Associations and Representatives
- High-volume traffic locations such as but not limited to:
 - Grocery stores
 - Churches
 - Healthcare Facilities
 - Community centers
 - Child-care centers
 - Festivals or frequent gatherings
- Local transit service provider Muncie Indiana Transit System (MITS) board meetings, main transfer station, and stop shelters
- Agencies and organizations that aid the disabled, low-income, elderly, minorities, and the Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

These identified areas will be targeted for public outreach using some of the following methods:

- All public meetings held at Title VI ADA compliant locations
- Email and/or mail distribution list
- Notice flyers posted in English and Spanish
- Flyer and information distribution by DMMPC employees
- DMMPC employee continued correspondence with identified agencies, stakeholders, and partners