

MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

**FROM: ADRIAN MEROLLI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LUZERNE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

RE: 2011-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DATE: JUNE 21, 2010

Enclosed for your review and comment is the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program, more commonly referred to as the TIP. The TIP lists the highway/bridge, interstate, and transit projects for which federal and/or state funding has been authorized.

Federal and state regulations require that the TIP be made available for public review and comment before being adopted by the Lackawanna/Luzerne Metropolitan Planning Organization, or MPO. The MPO decides which transportation projects (those using federal and/or state funds) get funded and constructed in the 2-county area. *The MPO is slated to adopt the 2011-2014 TIP at their July 28, 2010 meeting which will be held at 10:00 AM in Conference Room 233 at the PENNDOT 4-0 Headquarters in Dunmore.*

Also enclosed in the packet are copies of the TIP Amendment Procedures. The MPO uses these procedures to make changes to the TIP once it is adopted.

The packet also contains the Executive Summary of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis. This document considers the impacts of transportation on the ozone levels in the 2-county area and how those levels affect air quality.

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The last sheet of information refers to the steps the MPO takes to keep the public involved in transportation planning issues in the MPO area.

Anyone interested in learning more about the transportation planning process, and the TIP in particular, is invited to attend the **Public Hearing** which will be held prior to the MPO Technical Committee meeting at **10:00 AM on July 21, 2010 at PENNDOT District 4-0 Headquarters in Dunmore**. If you cannot make the meeting and have questions, please feel free to contact Nancy Snee, Transportation Planner, at 825-1564. You can also reach us by fax at 825-6362 or via e-mail at Nancy.Snee@luzernecounty.org.