

Connections 2030 Amendment
Crile Road Connector - Concord Township, Lake County
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NO AC A Governing Board Resolution 2009-038 amended NO AC A's long range transportation plan, Connections 2030, with the Crile Road Connector project in Concord Township, Lake County. Detailed information about the project can be found on the project planning review pages for it (<http://www.noaca.org/auburncrile.html>).

The project is part of the transportation project suggestions in the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI) funded evaluation of the SR-44 Corridor in Concord Township. The corridor study can be found at the following links:

<http://www.noaca.org/concordtwp1.pdf>

<http://www.noaca.org/concordtwp2.pdf>

Conformity Determination

Because the project will utilize federal transportation dollars to construct new capacity, the project must meet transportation conformity requirements. Transportation conformity requirements ensure that the project will not interfere with the region's ability to attain or maintain federal air quality standards.

If the project was likely to impact regional travel patterns significantly, an emissions analysis of the impacts of those changes would be necessary. This project is not expected to impact regional travel patterns significantly. This provides the opportunity for NOACA to rely on the existing conformity determination for *Connections 2030* instead of new analyses.

The interagency consultation process, which includes all the agencies that participate in a conformity finding for a project, resulted in the decision to rely on the existing analyses for the conformity determination for this project. This decision was based largely on the fact that the project will only impact local trip making behavior.

Following the close of the public comment period and the adoption of the necessary resolutions supporting this determination, the Federal Highway Administration will make a finding on this determination.

Public comments on this determination will be accepted until February 12, 2010. They should be sent to publicinv@mpo.noaca.org.