NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: June 7, 2019

RE: Resolution No. 2019-034: Functional Classification Amendment
    Recommendations

ACTION REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to approve Resolution 2019-034, which approves the functional
classification amendment recommendations.

- State Route 94, in Cuyahoga County, from Minor Arterial to Collector
- County Route 4, in Geauga County, from Collector to Local

The Planning and Programming Committee and Transportation Subcommittee support this
action.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION
The Ohio Department of Transportation has requested the following functional classification
amendments:

- Downgrade the short segment of SR 94 between the Medina County Line (lcg.0.00) and
  CR 63 - Edgerton Rd (log 1.46) from Minor Arterial (FC 04) to a Collector (FC 05) to
  match the classification in Medina County.

- Downgrade CR 4 in Geauga County from a Collector (FC 05) to Local (FC 07) between
  the Portage County Line and CR 606.

Functional classification is the grouping of roads, streets, and highways in a hierarchy based on
the type of highway service they provide. Streets and highways are part of an interconnected
network, and each one plays a role in moving traffic throughout the system. Generally, streets
and highways provide either traffic mobility or land access and can be ranked in terms of the
proportion of service they perform.

In June 2014 the NOACA Board of Directors approved Resolution Number 2014-025, which
created a NOACA functional classification policy for the review of proposed functional
classification revisions. The policy requires all proposed functional classification revisions to be evaluated thoroughly prior to making a recommendation to the Ohio Department of Transportation. Evaluation is based on guidelines suggested by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) with some criteria refined to reflect local conditions. Criteria evaluated include:

- Lane widths
- Shoulder widths
- Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT)
- Access
- Speed limit
- Parallel spacing of routes
- Area type
- Percentage of mileage by functional classification (by region, by county)
- Functional classification density analysis

Based on the NOACA Functional Classification Amendment Policy, staff recommends downgrading CR 4 in Geauga County from a Collector (FC 05) to Local (FC 07) between the Portage County Line and CR 606, and recommends the downgrade of SR 94 between the Medina County Line (log.0.00) and CR 63 - Edgerton Rd (log 1.46) from Minor Arterial (FC 04) to a Collector (FC 05).

FINANCIAL IMPACT
No financial impact, but approval of the functional classification recommendations could add additional mileage to the federal-aid network.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS
Pending Board approval, these recommendations will be forwarded to ODOT and FHWA for further review and implementation.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-034
(Functional Classification Amendment)

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina, and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, functional Classification is the grouping of roads, streets, and highways in a hierarchy based on the type of highway service they provide; and

WHEREAS, in June 2014 the NOACA Board of Directors approved Resolution Number 2014-025, which created a NOACA functional classification policy for the review of proposed functional classification revisions; and

WHEREAS, the policy requires all proposed functional classification revisions to be evaluated thoroughly prior to making a recommendation to the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, after applying the evaluation criteria of lane widths, shoulder widths, average annual daily traffic (AADT), access, speed limit, parallel spacing of routes, area type, percentage of mileage by functional classification (by region, by county) and functional classification density analysis to the two proposed amendments, SR 64 between the Medina County Line and CR 63 - Edgerton Rd., and CR 4 between the Portage County Line and CR 606, both roadway segments are recommended for functional classification revision, which will result in a decrease of 2.77 miles to the federal-aid system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of 45 principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

Section 1: Functional classification recommendations as outlined above are approved.

Section 2: The Executive Director is authorized to submit the functional classification recommendations to the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Section 3: The Executive Director is authorized to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 14th day of June 2019.

Secretary: ________________________________
Date Signed: 6-14-2019