NOACAOA staff is initiating a multi-year traffic counting program and is seeking a qualified experienced contractor to collect traffic counts in NOACAOA’s planning region. This information will have many practical planning uses at NOACAOA, including validation of our travel demand model, use in the Congestion Management Process (CMP), Regional Pavement Management (RPM) and freight planning, just to name a few.

It is anticipated that these traffic count locations will be repeated approximately every six years. The count locations were selected by NOACAOA and ODOT staff and are focused on the federal aid system excluding state routes in our planning region, where counts aren’t being collected by other sources (county engineers).

In addition to the many different planning activities at NOACAOA, this data will assist in fulfilling HPMS (Highway Performance Monitoring System) requirements. Approximately 1,800 locations have been identified for our six-year program.

The first year of this program is going to focus on traffic count needs for NOACAOA’s travel demand model. In our region 366 locations have been identified on travel demand model screenlines. These count locations will assist in validating traffic volumes estimated by our model.

Resolution 2012-024 authorizes the Executive Director to issue a formal Request for Proposal (RFP), review submitted proposals and enter into a contract for services with the selected consultant in an amount not to exceed $200,000 as approved in the FY2013 OWP. This resolution also allows the Executive Director and selected contractor extend this agreement into FY2014 and FY2015 based upon mutual agreement for up to the same dollar amount per year. NOACAOA Staff recommends approval.
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-024
(NOACA TRAFFIC COUNT PROGRAM)

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
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 planning agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, maintaining up-to-date traffic count data is essential to meeting NOACA’s planning responsibilities as the region’s MPO; and

WHEREAS, this data is necessary to validate various planning activities at NOACA; and

WHEREAS, NOACA, through its FY 2013 Overall Work Program (OWP) has initiated a continuing, systematic traffic count program designed to obtain the needed data; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2013 OWP includes $200,000 in funds to hire a consultant(s) to perform the first annual phase of the traffic count program; and

WHEREAS, NOACA’s procurement policy requires that these consulting services be obtained through a competitive process following all applicable federal, state and local policies and regulations.

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

Section 1. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to issue a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) to obtain the needed traffic counting services.

Section 2. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to accept proposals submitted as a result of the RFP process, review all responsive proposals and select a preferred consultant.

Section 3. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for services with the preferred consultant in an amount not to exceed $200,000 as approved in the FY 2013 OWP.
**Section 4.** The Executive Director is hereby authorized to extend the contract for services with the preferred consultant in an amount not to exceed $200,000 annually for both FY 2014 and FY 2015 based upon mutual agreement between NOACA and the selected contractor and satisfactory performance.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Governing Board of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 11th day of May 2012.

Secretary: [Signature]

Date Signed: [Signature]