

**Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study
Metropolitan Planning Organization (LLTS MPO)
Self-Certification Resolution**

RESOLUTION of the Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization (LLTS MPO) to certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable federal requirements and that the local process to enhance the participation of the general public, including the transportation disadvantaged, has been followed in developing the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

WHEREAS, 23 CFR Part 450.3346 specifies that, concurrent with submittal of a proposed TIP to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as part of the State TIP (STIP) approval, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) shall certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements; and

WHEREAS, Section 134 of Title 23 USC, 49 USC 5303, and 23 CFR Part 450 set forth the national policy that the MPO designated for each urbanized area is to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive multimodal transportation planning process, including the development of an LRTP and TIP, and establish policies and procedures for MPOs to conduct the metropolitan planning process; and

WHEREAS, the LLTS MPO TIP continues to be financially constrained as required by 23 CFR Part 450.3246(j) and FTA policy on the documentation of financial capacity, published in FTA Circular 7008.1A; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended [42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)] and 40 CFR Part 93 have been met for non-attainment and maintenance areas in the development of the 2025-2028 LLTS MPO TIP; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR Part 21; 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity; The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 USC 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; 23 USC Section 324, prohibiting discrimination based on gender; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 794), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC 12101 et seq.), and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38, regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities have been met; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Section 1101(e) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Public Law 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged or minority business enterprises in FHWA-funded planning projects and FTA-funded projects have been met; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on federal and federal-aid highway construction contracts have been addressed; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Executive Order 12898 (Federal Order to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations) have been met; and

WHEREAS, the provision of 49 CFR Part 20 prohibiting recipients of federal funds from using those funds for lobbying purposes has been met; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the LLTS MPO certifies that its metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in conformance with all of the applicable provisions of federal law and certifies that the local process to enhance the participation of the general public, including the transportation disadvantaged, has been followed in developing all transportation plans and programs, including the LLTS FFY 2025-2028 TIP.

I, Robert Fiume, Hereby Certify That I Am Chair Of The LLTS MPO Coordinating Committee, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the LLTS Coordinating Committee in accordance with its Bylaws at a meeting held on July 9, 2024, and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

ATTEST:

By:

Dean Roberts, Chair
LLTS MPO Technical Committee

Robert Fiume, Chair
LLTS MPO Coordinating Committee