UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

CADDO - BOSSIER
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA

FISCAL YEAR 2009

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Dr. William D. Anker, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9245

Dear Secretary Anker:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Fiscal Year 2009 Unified Planning Work Program for the Shreveport-Bossier Metropolitan Planning Organization. This document represents the annual planning elements for the metropolitan area as required by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

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This UPWP represents the planning priorities established by the Council of Governments. Elements included in this years work program include, Metropolitan Planning, GIS, Environmental, Public Involvement, and Data Access.

Should the Department have any questions or concerns regarding this UPWP or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. J. Kent Rogers, Executive Director of NLCOG at (318) 673-5950.

Sincerely,

Chairman
Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments
Planning Prospectus

The Unified Planning Work Program for fiscal year 2009 is directed towards meeting the evolving requirements set forth in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), and their impacts on regional planning. “The policy for the metropolitan planning process is to promote consistency between transportation improvements, local planned growth, and economic development patterns.” These legislative measures place increased attention to efficiency measures designed to advance the movement of regional, national and international commerce on the nation’s major highway, rail, water and air transportation infrastructure. Greater reliance on transit and implementation of innovative traffic management measures to relieve traffic congestion without the need for major capacity improvements in the highway system are also emphasized. In addition, importance is placed on cooperation and inclusion of local and regional officials, transportation and development entities, and citizens. This year work program strives towards the implementation on these areas.

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Transportation equity, environmental justice and air quality are issues, which TEA-21, The 1990 Clean Air Act and Executive Order 12898 have placed upon the planning process. In order to address these issues NLCOG will continue with its Environmental Planning element. In addition, NLCOG will begin to review issues associated with the new EPA Air Quality Regulations. NLCOG will also reexamine our Public Involvement and Public Inclusion procedures taking great care to include the public in the development of new processes and procedures. NLCOG will also monitor and assist in the development of those corridors in our area designated as High Priority Corridors in our recent Long Range Plan update and/or those projects receiving Congressional earmarks and designations.

A major part of NLCOG’s daily operations and support for its planning process is the development of ReGIS (Regional Geographic Information System). This coordinated effort will ensure that data sharing efforts are increased and compatible formats are used in the development and use of information systems. NLCOG will continue to assist in the management of regional GIS efforts and to coordinate the development of GIS systems of the member governments/agencies and to provide technical support for the development of GIS and database developments. In order to assist in the use of GIS data NLCOG will continue the development of custom user applications. This includes user Interfaces, network development, and Census Data Inter/Intra net Application. In addition, NLCOG will work towards the development of a regional data-sharing network between public entities. NLCOG will provide or sponsor training in the use of ESRI’s ArcGIS software, Intranet web applications, Internet web applications, data access, and Meta data development.
Public participation in the planning process and public access to data have become major elements in the federal certification process. The dissemination of information and the participation of citizens in government will increase the integrity in local government agencies and ultimately enhance the livability of our community. A wide variety of strategies will be assessed and revised formal public involvement procedures will be developed. Different strategies may be employed for different projects and activities, depending on specific project needs, available time, and project budgets. In support of this NLCOG is continuing to develop an Information Center. User-friendly Internet web sites, development of custom data applications and training in the use of GIS and Transportation Programs will be the focus of the Information Center.
SAFETEA-LU PLANNING FACTORS

SAFETEA-LU has strengthened the responsibility of the MPO in preparing and maintaining the long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program and the Unified Planning Work Program. This work program represents a continuation of the strategic planning process begun in previous years. The focus continues to be on maintaining, improving, and utilizing the information resources in the day-to-day transportation decision-making process. In addition the planning process will provide for consideration of projects and strategies that will

(A) support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;

(B) increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and nonmotorized users;

(C) increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and nonmotorized users;

(D) increase the accessibility and mobility of people and for freight;

(E) protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns;

(F) enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;

(G) promote efficient system management and operation; and

(H) emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.
Unified Planning Work Program

Objective
To discuss the planning programs priorities facing the metropolitan planning area and describe all metropolitan planning, transportation and transportation related air quality planning activities in accordance with the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), and the mission and goals of NLCOG.

Element A - Data Access And Training Programs:
- Transportation Project Funding, Financing & Development
- Transit Trip Planning
- GIS Software and Data
- Regional Data Sharing Network

Element B - Metropolitan Planning Programs:
- Regional Transportation Plan
- Project Development Stage 0 and Stage 1
- Transportation Management Systems
- JARC / New Freedom
- Human Services Transportation Coordination
- Transit Development
- Regional Smart Growth Plan (Project SB)
- Safe Routes to School Program

Element C - GIS Programs:
- ReGIS Administration
- Basemap Maintenance
- Data Dictionary Update
- Aerial Photography
- Application Development
- GPS Base Station Management

Element D - Environmental Programs:
- Brownfields Program Development
- Water Resource Planning
- Air Quality Planning

Element E – Public Involvement & Outreach:
- Public Involvement Plan
- Title VI & Environmental Justice
- Newsletters
- 101 Educational Series

Element F - Administrative Programs:
- UPWP Administration
- TIP Administration
- Accounting and Grant Administration
Element A Data Access and Training Programs

Objective
NLCOG’s support of the Livable Communities Initiative is in providing the best in public access to government as possible. The dissemination of information and the participation of citizens in government will ultimately enhance the livability of our community. In support of these efforts NLCOG will continue maintaining an Information Center for the monitoring and updating of planning information and to provide training in the use of such data.

Task A-1 Transportation Project Funding, Financing & Development

Project costs have escalated over the past few years. NLCOG will examine the new transportation bill, traditional funding and financing mechanisms as well as exploring new and innovative means for development of transportation projects. One example of this will be included in the I-49 Inner City study whereby the consultant will be required to include a report on potential funding mechanisms for the project including, the pros and cons of each, and any legislation that may be required for each.

Task A-2 Transit Trip Planning

Transit Trip Planner enables users to create efficient travel itineraries using public transportation schedules. Transit Trip Planner enables you to enter the specifics of your trip—where you're starting, where you're ending up, what time of day you'd like to leave and/or arrive—then uses all available public transportation schedules and information to plot out the most efficient possible step-by-step itinerary. You can even compare the cost of your trip with the cost of driving the same route.

Task A-3 GIS Software and Data

NLCOG will provide and/or sponsor training in the use of ESRI’s ArcGIS software, Intranet web applications, Internet web applications, data access, and Meta data development.

In addition, NLCOG will continue maintaining an Information Center for the monitoring and updating of planning information. The information center will provide comprehensive “up-to-date” planning data and information and provide for the dissemination of 2000 Census Data and information.

Task A-4 Regional Data Sharing Network

NLCOG’s support of the Livable Communities Initiative is in providing the best in public access to government as possible. The dissemination of information and the participation of citizens in government will ultimately enhance the livability of our community. In support of these efforts, NLCOG will continue to update and maintain WWW.NLCOG.ORG and WWW.NWLAninfo.com our user-friendly interactive web sites. In addition, NLCOG continue working towards the development of a regional data-sharing network linking public entities in Northwest Louisiana.
Element B Metropolitan Planning Programs

**Objective**
To implement, monitor and maintain the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the transportation model and the Transportation Management System Plan for Shreveport - Bossier City. To continue coordinated Public Transit Planning and Management for the Shreveport Bossier City Metropolitan area.

**Task B-1 Regional Transportation Plan**

NLCOG will update the Regional Transportation Plan for Caddo and Bossier Parishes in accordance with the guidelines of SAFETEA-LU. This update will include a wide range of citizen input opportunities, review of the status of ongoing projects, review of project priorities, and an intensive review of project costing.

**Task B-2 Project Development – Stage 0 and Stage 1**

To develop Stage 0 Feasibility Studies for projects identified in the Long Range Plan. Specific focus will be given to those projects identified and/or earmarked in the Federal Transportation Reauthorization Bill. These Stage 0 assessments will be done by the guidelines identified by LaDOTD and in preparation of Stage 1 Planning and Environmental Studies. Stage 1 Planning and Environmental Studies for select projects will be administered through NLCOG.

**Task B-2a - Winfield Road Environmental Study**
The improvements that are to be undertaken under this Project consist of the development of a new two-lane urban collector facility with right of way clearance for a new four-lane urban collector. The new facility will run in a general east-west direction between LA 3 (Benton Road) to Bellevue Road at or near its intersection with Winfield Road. This new facility will provide an additional East/West facility that will alleviate congestion, and reduce travel delay along the other facilities that will link the rapidly growing residential areas of Bossier Parish to the employment centers of Shreveport and Bossier City. This study will be used to produce an Environmental Assessment. If this project is elevated to an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), NLCOG may supplement the contract, and therefore reserves the right to retain the original consultant.

**Task B-2b - Wafer Road Environmental Study**
The improvements that are to be undertaken under this Project consist of the development of a new two-lane urban collector facility with right of way clearance for a new four-lane urban collector. The new facility will run in a general north-south direction between Winfield Road to Bellevue Road. This new facility will provide an additional facility that will alleviate congestion, and reduce travel delay along the other facilities that will link the rapidly growing residential areas of Bossier Parish to the employment centers of Shreveport and Bossier City. This study will be used to produce an Environmental Assessment. If this project is elevated to an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), NLCOG may supplement the contract, and therefore reserves the right to retain the original consultant.

**Task B-2c - I-49 Inner City Comprehensive Stage 0 & Environmental Study**
The purpose of this project is to conduct a Comprehensive Stage 0 & Environmental Study. This will include Stage 0 Part I: Feasibility Study for the project, and will be required to perform Stage 0, Part II: Environmental Inventory, all of which shall be conducted in accordance with the DOTD Stage 0 Manual of Standard Practice. Preliminary alternatives and design criteria shall also be developed. Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) and design measures must be utilized due to the historic, sensitive nature of the project. Due to the Historic and sensitive nature of this project public involvement and public participation will be a major component of the study.
**Task B-3 JARC / New Freedom Planning**

The purpose of this task is to implement the recommendations of the Regional Job Access – Extended Service Transportation Strategic Plan for the Shreveport – Bossier City region. The main strategy identified through this study was the development of Night Owl Service to address the gap in transportation services between the “at-need” population, particularly those who work non-standard work shifts, and major employment centers. This recommendation is currently in a pilot phase and showing great success.

**Task B-4 Human Services Transportation Coordination**

A second recommended strategy from the Regional Job Access – Extended Service Transportation Strategic Plan was to examine the coordination between the many human resource agencies and the services provided. There appears to be limited coordination between these two factors. The purpose of this task is to monitor and implement the coordinated human services transportation plan for the ten parishes of Northwest Louisiana. The plan was developed by representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers and members of the public working together to create not only a one time plan for improved coordination of human services transportation in the region, but also to establish an on-going process for continual coordination and improvement.

**Task B-5 Transit Development**

The intent of this study is to provide a broader vision and analysis of transit and transportation services in the region. The overall goal of the TDP is to review the existing transit service in the Shreveport Bossier City area and to analyze how transit and/or other transportation services can be provided in a cost efficient manner while still providing a productive service for the community. The initial phase of this process will be a passenger survey looking not only at the quality but also the quantity and reliability of the service from the user viewpoint. From this effort we can also begin to look at where service is needed and who best to fill those needs.

**Task B-6 Regional Smart Growth Plan**

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Task B-7 Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Program

The Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program was established in August 2005 as part of the most recent federal transportation re-authorization legislation--SAFETEA-LU. Section 1404 of this legislation provides funding (for the first time) for State Departments of Transportation to create and administer SRTS programs which allow communities to compete for funding for local SRTS projects.

In fiscal year 2008, NLCOG was awarded, by LADOTD Bicycle/Pedestrian Section, a grant to fund their SRTS project titled “Kids on the Move!”. The Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) identified two elementary schools in both Bossier and Caddo Parishes that already have the needed infrastructure to facilitate education on pedestrian and bicycle safety. These schools are Bellaire Elementary and Central Park Elementary (Bossier Parish) and Cherokee Park Elementary and University Elementary (Caddo Parish).

“Kids on the Move!” seeks to teach children from pre-kindergarten through fifth grade pedestrian and bicycle safety through the use of innovative classroom materials, school-wide events and incentives, and personal achievements. Through the cooperation of the Parent Teacher Organizations/Associations and neighbors, children will move safely through the neighborhoods to reach school by walking and bicycling.
Element C Geographic Information Systems

**Objective**
To promote regional compatibility in geographic information systems processes, procedures, and products among the NLCOG member agencies, state and federal sponsors, and local jurisdictions in Northwest.

**Task C-1 ReGIS Administration**
To continue maintaining and developing a regional geographic information. To assist in the management of regional GIS efforts and to coordinate the development of GIS systems of the member government's/agencies. To provide technical support for the development of GIS and database developments.

**Task C-2 Basemap Maintenance**
To continue to update and expand the project basemap based on new photography this includes building features, hydrology features, transportation features, etc. To review and update of quasi-political boundaries such as neighborhoods, school attendance zones, Delphi Planning zones, etc.

**Task C-3 DATA Dictionary Update**
NLCOG will continue to review the existing Data Dictionary developed through the ReGIS Intergovernmental Agreement and subsequent amendments. The purpose of review is two fold, first to rectify the differences between the actual ReGIS database and the original data dictionary. Second is to update and outline maintenance responsibilities for the various data sets.

**Task C-4 Aerial Photography**
The purpose of this task is to assist our member agencies in obtaining aerial photography for the area. This photography is vital to the maintenance of existing and development of new data sets for GIS. This year’s flight will be obtained through the local Office of Homeland Security.

**Task C-5 Application Development**
To continue the development of custom user applications for access to GIS, Census and planning data. This includes user Interfaces, network development, and Census Data Inter/Intra net Application. In addition, NLCOG will work towards the development of a regional data-sharing network between public entities as described in Task A-4.

**Task C-6 GPS Base Station Management**
NLCOG will continue to maintain the GPS Community Base Station and to provide scheduling and management of GPS data collection efforts utilizing COG GPS equipment. In addition, NLCOG will maintain the FCC license for GPS Real-Time Data Broadcasting.
Element D Environmental Programs

Objective
NLCOG will continue to implement programs under the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act and to address environmental and air quality are issues, which SAFETEA-LU, the 1990 Clean Air Act and Executive Order 12898 have placed upon the planning process. In addition NLCOG will administer programs and projects which may develop through earmark funds in the 2007 Senate Water Resources Bill.

Task D-1 EPA Brownfield’s Program Development
NLCOG will continue to provide Quality Assurance assistance to Biomedical Research Foundation for their clean-up grants. In addition NLCOG will continue to seek new funding through each round of EPA Grants. NLCOG will incorporate the data developed through the existing assessment grants into the GIS system in conjunction with Tasks A-3 and Element C.

Task D-2 Water Resource Planning
NLCOG is working with the local Water Resources Committee on regional issues. The U.S. Senate water resources bill (Water Resources Development Act of 2007) contains funding for NLCOG. This funding is “to provide assistance to non-Federal interests for carrying out water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects described in subsection (c), including waste water treatment and related facilities and water supply, storage, treatment, and distribution facilities. Such assistance may be in the form of technical and planning and design assistance.” If final approval is received we will work with the local committee in setting priorities for projects and planning efforts.

Task D-3 Air Quality Planning
Under provisions of the Clean Air Act and SAFETEA-LU the Shreveport – Bossier Urban area is currently classified as an area In Attainment for Air Quality. However, under the proposed new rules from EPA the area will become Non-Attainment for Ozone. NLCOG will continue to work with the local governments and agencies through efforts such as the Clean Cities Program and alternative fuels programs to help reduce mobile-source emissions.
Element E Public Involvement and Outreach

Objective
NLCOG will strive to proactively inform and involve the public and improve public involvement through creative and interactive approaches. In order to continue to fulfill its federal mandates, NLCOG has developed several specific and functional goals and objectives for the Public Involvement Policy. The purpose of this Element is to develop an effective, aggressive public involvement / Community Outreach program to promote the involvement of Citizen’s groups, business organization’s, minority groups, the public at large in the transportation policy planning process.

Task E-1 Public Involvement Plan

Seeking meaningful public involvement is important for sharing the concerns of the community. NLCOG is committed to actively involving the public in identifying and addressing quality of life issues. The purpose of the public involvement policy is to foster two-way communication and trust between NLCOG and the citizens. Although a federal requirement, NLCOG feels that local contribution to the decision making process is vital for the growth of Northwest Louisiana. NLCOG will also reexamine our Public Involvement and Public Inclusion process taking great care to include the public in the development of new processes and procedures.

Task E-2 Environmental Justice & Title VI Review

NLCOG will continue to review Title VI programs in adherence with Certification Review and foster inclusion of minorities in the planning process and documentation of such.

Task E-3 NLCOG Newsletters

NLCOG will continue to publish a series of newsletters to help keep not only our member agencies and traditional players informed but also for the public at large. Newsletters will be developed in both traditional print media and also through the use of the World Wide Web with e-newsletters.

Task E-4 Education 101 Series

NLCOG will develop a series of citizens’ guides to provide community agencies and residents of with information about the transportation planning process, smart growth, the basics of GIS, environmental planning and Brownfields. Interactive materials, PowerPoint presentations, and printed materials will be created for the various topics in order to develop a comprehensive Education 101 series.
Element F Administrative Programs

Objective
Provide for inter-agency cooperation and coordination of the planning process; provide for the overall management of NLCOG and development of the staff in carrying out the work program. Included in this effort will be the coordination of the technical coordinating committee and policy committee activities, and coordination with DOTD, FHWA, FTA, EPA, and other governmental agencies.

Task F-1 UPWP Administration
This task includes development of annual report reviewing of previous year work program, (FY 2008), implementation of Fiscal Year 2009 Work Program and development of Fiscal Year 2010 Work Program.

Task F-2 TIP Administration
This task includes the continual refinement and update to the Financial Plan of projects for the region and to continue to coordinate and advance implementation of the region’s TIP. This includes the development of annual elements for the Transportation Improvement Program, project development for inclusion in future year TIP, monitoring projects within Northwest Louisiana and to provide for inter-agency cooperation and coordination for project development.

Task F-3 Accounting and Grant Administration
This task provides for the Administration of the budget and grants of the Fiscal Year 2009 Work Program, the financial audit of Fiscal Year 2008 Work Program and Budget and the development of Grant Applications as needed for work program implementation. Also included in this task are the preparation and dissemination of monthly, quarterly, and annual progress reports.
Itemized Budget of Income and Expenses

**Objective**
To outline the anticipated income and expenses for administering and implementing the Fiscal Year 2009 Unified Planning Work Program

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**Sub total** $3,230,434.72

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**Sub total** $303,500.00

## GRAND TOTAL

**$4,264,283.72**
### DETAIL EXPENSES

#### Computer Hardware
- **Image Server**: $5,000.00
- **GPS Rover & Data Logger**: $7,500.00
- **Office Laptops**: $5,000.00
- **Misc. (hard drives, monitors, etc)**: $5,000.00
- **TOTAL**: $22,500.00

#### Computer Software
- **ESRI ArcGIS Maintenance**: $40,000.00
- **ESRI Image Server & Extensions**: $15,000.00
- **ORACLE**: $7,500.00
- **Microsoft**: $10,000.00
- **Misc.**: $4,000.00
- **TOTAL**: $76,500.00

#### Office Systems
- **Ricoh Copier/Printer**: $2,250.00
- **Dell Lease Purchase**: $9,250.00
- **TOTAL**: $11,500.00

#### Furniture
- **Office Desks**: $3,000.00
- **Office Chairs**: $1,500.00
- **TOTAL**: $4,500.00

#### Professional Services
- **HMV (Auditing)**: $25,000.00
- **Cody Mayo (legal)**: $3,000.00
- **Misc Engineering Assistance**: $5,000.00
- **Misc Technical Assistance**: $5,000.00
- **Misc Planning Assistance**: $5,000.00
- **TOTAL**: $43,000.00

#### Professional Development
- **Education**: $25,000.00
- **Training**: $20,000.00
- **TOTAL**: $45,000.00
Public Notice

CADDO BOSSIER METROPOLITAN AREA
UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM
FISCAL YEARS 2008

The Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments, the local Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is submitting for Public Review and Comment the UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) for the CADDO BOSSIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA, FISCAL YEAR 2009. In order to meet the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) this document is now available for review and comment. Interested citizens may view the document at the following locations:

Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments
401 Market St., Suite 460
Shreveport, Louisiana 71101
http://www.nlcog.org
http://www.NWLAinfo.com

For further locations, contact NLCOG at 318-841-5950. Any questions, comments or suggestions concerning the UPWP should be directed to the office of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments, 401 Market Street, Suite 460, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, Attention J. Kent Rogers or by e-mail at nlcog@nlcog.org

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

At a meeting of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) held on May 9, 2008 pursuant to due notice, a quorum being present, the following resolution was duly adopted:

WHEREAS, The NLCOG has determined that the requirements of the Urban Transportation Planning process are being carried out utilizing the “3-C Planning Process” (continuous, comprehensive and coordinated); and

WHEREAS, The NLCOG has determined that the UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM for the CADDO BOSSIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA, FISCAL YEAR 2008 was developed in accordance with the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments does hereby approve and adopt the UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM for the CADDO BOSSIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA, FISCAL YEAR 2009 and directs the staff of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments to submit said program to the appropriate federal state and local agencies and to comply with any minor revisions necessary to facilitate submission and adoption requirements including all resolutions, certifications and assurances.

CERTIFICATION

I, J. Kent Rogers, Secretary to the Council of Governments, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Committee on May 9, 2008.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 9th day of May 2008

J. Kent Rogers
Secretary
Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments
RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

At a meeting of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) held on May 9, 2008 pursuant to due notice, a quorum being present, the following resolution was duly adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that J. Kent Rogers, Executive Director of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments, be authorized to execute a contract between NLCOG and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for Metropolitan Planning (FHWA) in the amount of $432,929.00 in federal funds for Fiscal Year 2009.

CERTIFICATION

I, J. Kent Rogers, Secretary to the Council of Governments, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Committee on May 9, 2008.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 9th day of May 2008

J. Kent Rogers
J. Kent Rogers, Secretary
Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments
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BE IT RESOLVED that J. Kent Rogers, Executive Director of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments, be authorized to execute a contract between NLCOG and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for Metropolitan Planning (FTA) in the amount of $74,745.00 in federal funds for Fiscal Year 2009.

CERTIFICATION

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BE IT RESOLVED that J. Kent Rogers, Executive Director of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments be authorized to execute all contracts pursuant to completion of those programs and projects for completion of the Fiscal Year 2009 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget as adopted.

CERTIFICATION

I, J. Kent Rogers, Secretary to the Council of Governments, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Committee on May 9, 2008.

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J. Kent Rogers, Secretary
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