

MEMORANDUM

To: MPO Policy Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: June 6, 2024

Subject: Cooperative Agreements for Coordination of Land Use - Transportation Planning in the Round Lake Beach-McHenry-Grayslake IL-WI Urbanized Area and the Chicago/Gary/Lake County, IL-IN Urbanized Area

Action Requested: Approval

Federal regulations 23 U.S.C. 134 and 23 CFR 450.314 require that MPOs establish relationships with the State and public transportation agencies through specified agreements between the parties to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive metropolitan planning process. For northeastern Illinois and CMAP, this entails agreements between metropolitan planning organizations and partner agencies to ensure planning responsibilities are carried out. The U.S. Bureau of the Census has identified a bi-state urbanized area of over 200,000 population that incorporates portions of the existing planning jurisdictions. For CMAP, that includes Round Lake Beach-McHenry-Grayslake, IL-WI Urbanized Area, Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC), as well as Chicago/Gary/Lake County, IL/IN Urbanized Area which incorporates portions of existing planning jurisdictions of CMAP and Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC).

Cooperative agreements with both Wisconsin and Indiana need to be updated. Staff requests MPO Policy Committee approval for both agreements.