

**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
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**Resolution #14-0305-058**

*Approval of Update to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians approved Long Range Transportation Plan*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) and the 1855 Treaty of Detroit (11 Stat. 621) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(b) to approve agreements negotiated by the Ogema on behalf of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema have previously entered into a Government to Government Agreement with the Federal Government through its administering agent the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, any updates to the LRBOI Long Range Transportation Plan require approval by Tribal Council Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Planning Department has worked with RCA, P.C. to update the Long Range Transportation Plan for submittal to the BIA; and

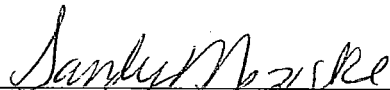
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and the Ogema agree that an update to our Long Range Transportation Plan is in the best interest of the Tribe.

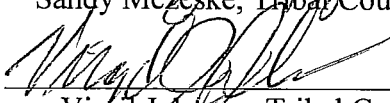
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves and authorizes the submission of the attached update to our Long Range Transportation Plan.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby expressly denies any waiver of Sovereign Immunity; also denies any implied waiver of Sovereign Immunity in connection with the authorization and submission of the Long Range Transportation Plan update to the appropriate office within the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 5, 2014, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
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Sandy Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

  
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Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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LRBOI may wish to explore co-operating with other local governments in the development of a consolidated public transportation system which improves on existing routes and facilities for the LRBOI public to utilize on a day to day basis. At present, the reservation does not have an airport, rail system, or public transportation facilities.

## Traffic Growth Analysis

When analyzing traffic growth, the average daily traffic (ADT) and future land uses are very important. These two items identify where a road network is experiencing growth and where a road network will have growth in the future. Based on changes in ADT for particular roads and what land uses are planned adjacent to those roads, an increase or decrease in ADT can be generated to help identify areas in the road network that may require more transportation planning than others. In this long-rang transportation plan, future land use will be reviewed based on location only to provide a general analysis.

Future development is planned on many of the tribally owned parcels. A majority of the currently planned development is anticipated on tribal properties near the existing Little River Casino and Resort at the intersection of US-31 and M-22. Daily traffic levels on US-31 and M-22 are not expected to change significantly due to the high level of traffic that these roads currently experience, but the anticipated future development on tribal properties will increase the traffic levels on adjacent and nearby county and tribal roads.

Anticipated future development and road construction projects on tribally owned properties include:

- The construction of a mixed use development which would include a potential tribal governmental complex and a mix of commercial, retail, and office spaces on both the east and west side of M-22 just north of US-31. This particular concept, as referenced as Figure F- 1A in Appendix F, would require approximately 48,500 feet of road for access and circulation. It would be anticipated the there would be a mix of curb and gutter with areas of raised asphalt edges to maintain appropriate drainage. In addition, portions of this development would have sidewalks and street lighting.
- The extension of the Wastewater Plant Road
- The upgrade of the parking and access routes to the Casino Storage Facility and Commodities Office for safer access by the Tribal families.
- Development on the Gathering Grounds property south of US-31 including the extension and improvement of existing roads. This development also has been anticipated for a potential tribal government complex just east of

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2033	D-2	Spoke Road C (Proposed)	0.6	x
2034	D-2	Spoke Road D (Proposed)	0.6	x
2035	D-2	Spoke Road E (Proposed)	0.6	x
2036	D-2	Spoke Road F (Proposed)	0.6	x
2037	D-2	Orchard Property Road A (Proposed)	0.3	x
2038	D-2	Orchard Property Road B (Proposed)	0.1	x
2039	D-2	M-22 Property Road A (Proposed)	0.2	x
2040	D-2	M-22 Property Road B (Proposed)	0.3	x
2041	D-2	M-22 Property Road C (Proposed)	0.2	x
2042	D-2	M-22 Property Road D (Proposed)	0.3	x
2043	D-2	M-22 Property Road E (Proposed)	0.3	x
2044	D-5	Muskegon Property Road A (Proposed)	0.5	x
2045	D-5	Muskegon Property Road B (Proposed)	0.3	x
2046	D-5	Muskegon Property Road C (Proposed)	0.6	x
2050	D-6	MAPLE 1 DR	0.5	x
2055	D-6	MAPLE 2 DR	0.1	x
2060	D-6	MAPLE 3 DR	0.2	x
2065	D-6	MAPLE 4 DR	0.3	x
2070	D-6	MAPLE 5 DR	0.3	x
2075	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL 1 RD	0.1	x
2080	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL 2 RD	1.7	x
2085	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL CEMETERY 1 RD	0.7	x
2090	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL CEMETERY 2 RD	0.2	x
2095	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL CEMETERY 3 RD	0.1	x
2100	D-4	CUSTER PARCEL CEMETERY 4 RD	0.1	x
2110	D-7	SCHOEDEL 1 DR	0.3	x
2115	D-7	SCHOEDEL 2 DR	0.2	x
2120	D-7	SCHOEDEL 3 DR	0.4	x
2125	D-7	SCHOEDEL 4 DR	0.2	x
2130	D-5	STERNBERG RAMP S EXIT	0.3	x
2130	D-5	STERNBERG RAMP S ENTER	0.2	x
2130	D-5	STERNBERG RAMP N EXIT	0.1	x
2130	D-5	STERNBERG RAMP N ENTER	0.3	x
2140	D-2	COMMODITIES DRIVE	0.1	x
P100	D-2	GATHERING GROUND PARKING LOT	18586	x
P101	D-1	COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT	61661	x



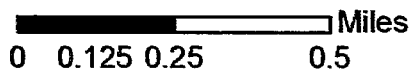
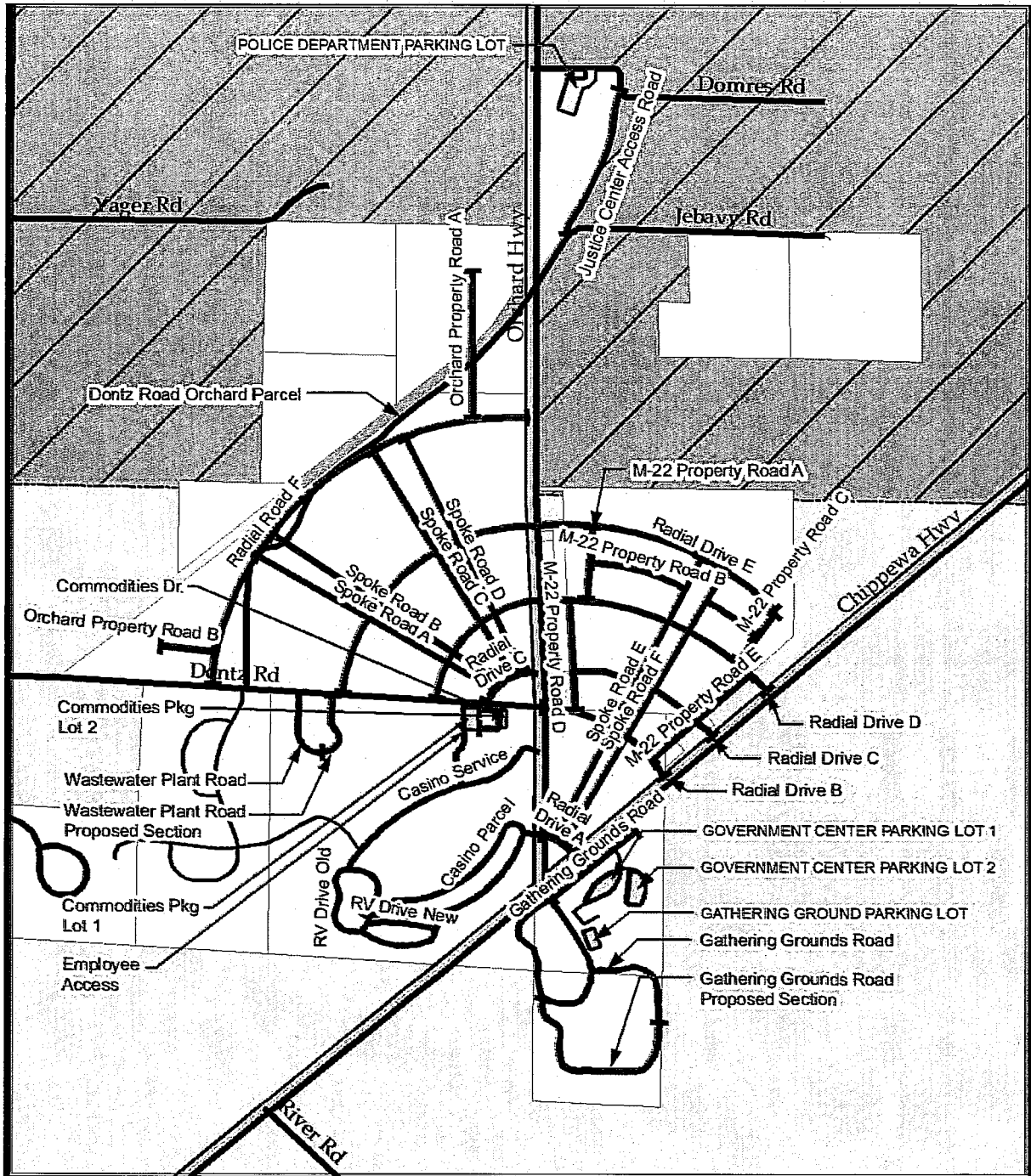
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P102	D-2	POLICE DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT	70484	x	
P103	D-3	NATURAL RESOURCE PARKING LOT	9314	x	
P104	D-2	GOVERNMENT CENTER PARKING LOT 1	34805		x
P105	D-2	GOVERNMENT CENTER PARKING LOT 2	39848		x
P106	D-3	LITTLE RIVER FERRY FACILITY	49866		x
P107	D-2	COMMODITIES PARKING LOT 1	24898.7	x	
P108	D-2	COMMODITIES PARKING LOT 2	6305.0		x



Figure D-2: Casino and Surrounding Area Routes



RCA, PC  
March 2014