

**ERIE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
(ERIE MPO)
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCEDURES
TO ADDRESS
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MANDATES**

Environmental Justice Mandates:

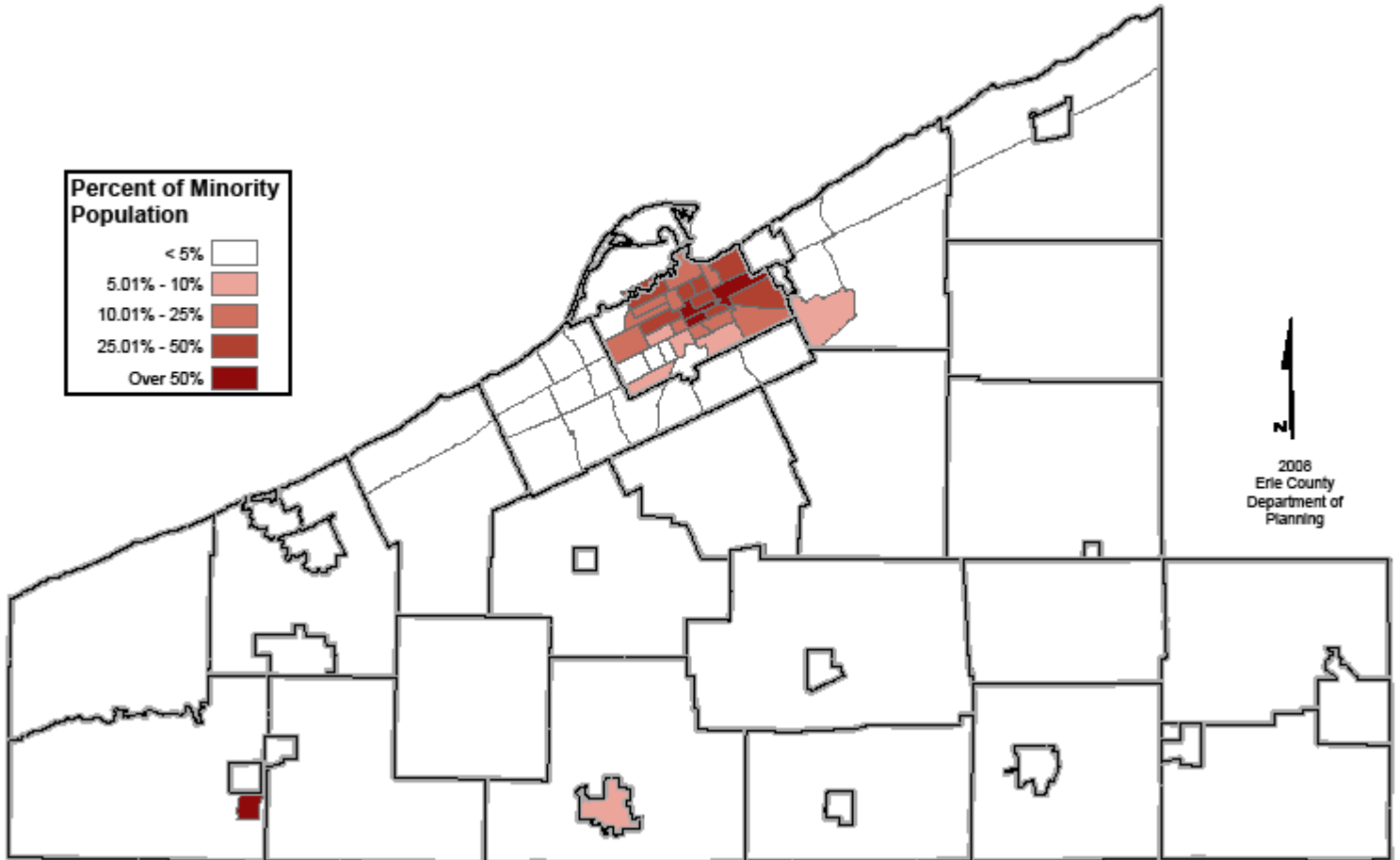
PennDOT, MPO's and LDD's are required to address the requirements of Executive Order #12898 (Federal Order to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations) during the development of the FFY 2011 TIP's and FFY 2011 STIP. The Executive Order mandates that outreach efforts be initiated to minority and low-income populations or representatives of these groups as an integrated and independent component of the Public Involvement Procedures for Transportation Planning and Programming.

The Erie MPO addressed the Environmental Justice Mandates as described above through the following course of action / procedures:

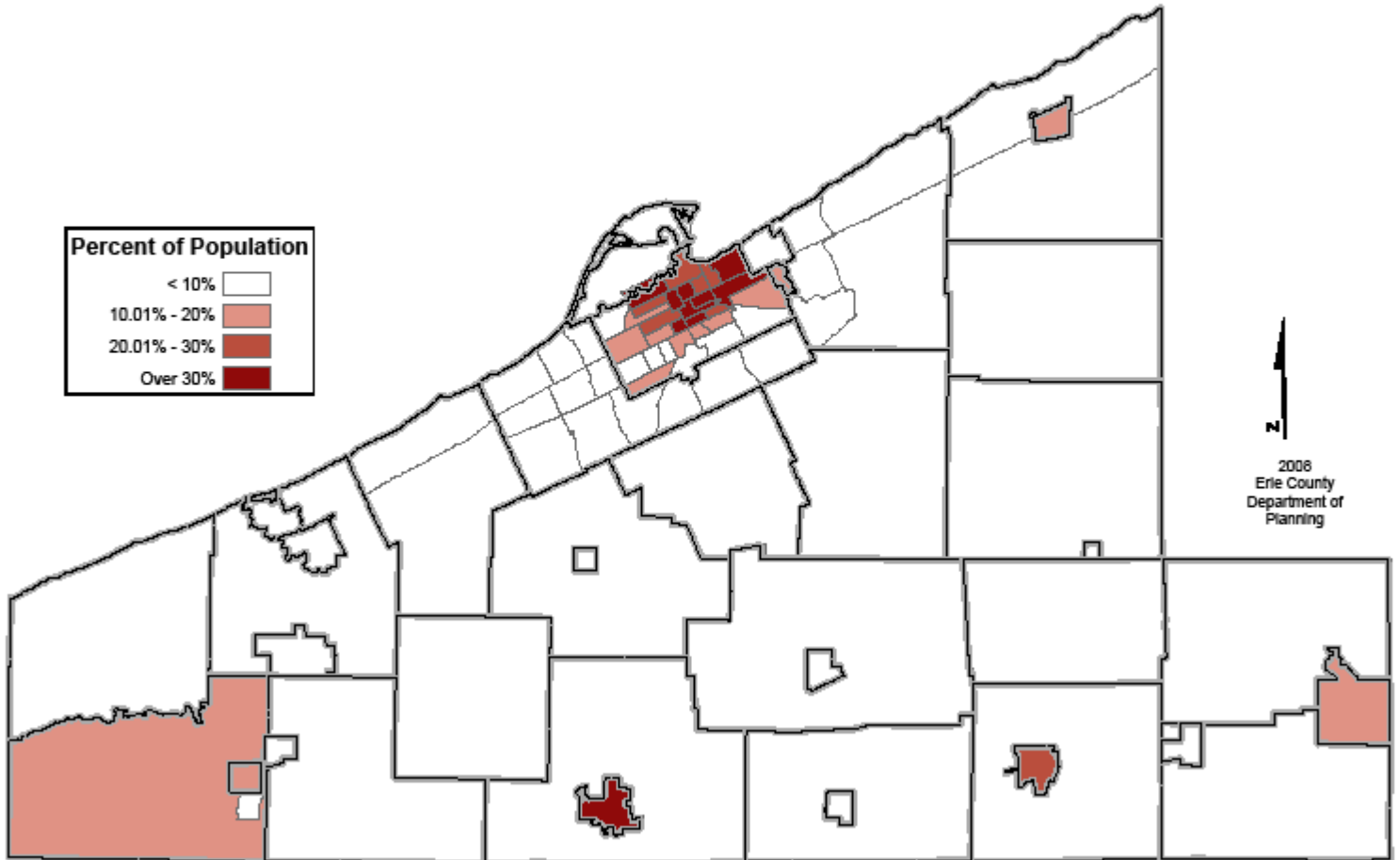
Using census information, the concentrated locations of minorities and low-income households were mapped within Erie County (see attached maps). Based on the census mapping results, several organizations were identified as community and neighborhood representatives in these areas. The Erie MPO then initiated an independent outreach effort to these identified groups in an effort to solicit their comments, contacting them via correspondence (see attached memorandum / mailing list), and providing information regarding the development and adoption of the Erie County 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

By implementing / completing the above course of action / procedures, the Erie MPO is making every effort to satisfy the Federal Environmental Justice Mandates for the adoption of the Erie County FFY 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Minority Population Erie County, Pa.



Population Below Poverty Erie County, Pa.





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June 8, 2010

To: Community Action – Neighborhood Development Organizations
From: John E. Morgan, Transportation Planner
Re: 2011-2014 Erie County / MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The Federal legislation (SAFETEA-LU) authorizing transportation funding establishes public involvement guidelines for the development and approval of all transportation plans and programs. A related Environmental Justice Executive Order mandate requires the Erie MPO to initiate outreach efforts to minority and low-income populations in Erie County or representatives of these groups as a component of the public involvement process. Using census information, the concentrated locations of minorities and low-income households were mapped within Erie County, and your organizations were identified as the community and neighborhood representatives in these areas.

The Erie MPO has been in the process of developing the Erie County 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) over the past several months. Prior to final adoption of the 2011 TIP, the County/MPO is required to advertise and hold a 30-day public review/comment period. Enclosed please find a copy of the Public Notice prepared by the Erie County Department of Planning on behalf of the Erie MPO / County of Erie advertising the public review/comment period for the Erie County 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program. Please post this Public Notice in a conspicuous location at your offices to make them available for public viewing.

The Erie County Department of Planning and Erie MPO thank you for your cooperation and assistance in our endeavor to develop and implement a Transportation Program which benefits all residents of Erie County.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 814.451.6012 or jmorgan@eriecountygov.org.

Enclosure

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