Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 22, 2014

Subject: 2014-2017 TIP Amendment for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Projects for 2014-2016

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the attached 24 projects for the HSIP allocation for years 2014, 2015, and 2016 with a total of \$15.5 million in HSIP, and modify the budgets for setasides for the years 2014-2016.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

This item was approved as part of the consent agenda at the Transportation Committee. Motion by Elkins, seconded by Munt and passed.

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Meeting date: December 9, 2013

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 15, 2014

Subject: 2014-2017 TIP Amendment for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Projects for 2014-2016

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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Division/Department: Transportation/Metropolitan Transportation Services

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Background

The Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) is a core federal program defined in MAP-21. HSIP is designed to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-state-owned public roads and roads on tribal lands. MnDOT shares these federal funds with local governments to improve and protect the transportation system beyond the state's trunk highway system. MnDOT conducts the solicitation, and the proposed projects are evaluated by a team of transportation professionals that includes members of the TAB Technical Advisory Committee.

MnDOT conducted a solicitation for projects for 2014-2016 earlier in 2013. This amendment would add projects selected from this solicitation.

Rationale

The Transportation Advisory Board approves formal amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program, and the Metropolitan Council concurs with the action of the TAB. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan and meet fiscal constraint because the federal and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the projects are exempt from air quality conformity analysis or non-classifiable.

Funding

The projects are fully funded with the existing federal and local funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.