

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: June 8, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 10, 2020

Subject: 2020-2023 TIP Amendment for MnDOT: Metrowide Replacement of Dynamic Message Signs

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend the scope of MnDOT’s replacement of dynamic message signs.

Background

This amendment is needed to remove shelter replacement from the project replacing dynamic message signs throughout MnDOT’s Metro District. This study is funded with Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds that are programmed by MnDOT.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes stewardship by eliminating unnecessary project elements.

Funding

The project is fully funded with state and federal funds.

Known Support / Opposition

This proposed action was reviewed and recommended by the Transportation Advisory Board. No known opposition.



Please amend the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2021. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

State Fiscal Year	ATP/ Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	Miles
2021	M	999	8825-612	MnDOT	Metrowide - Replace shelters and dynamic message signs	N/A

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	TH \$
TM	Traffic Management	STBGP	925,000	740,000	185,000

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous TIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in TIP).

This amendment is needed to remove the shelters from the project.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?

- New Money
- Anticipated Advance Construction
- ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
- Other

The total project cost remains the same. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on October 24, 2018, as amended on April 24, 2019 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on May 9, 2019.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis X*
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

*Exempt Project Category O-8. Directional or informational signs per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.