

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: March 22, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 24, 2021

Subject: 2021-2024 TIP Amendment for MnDOT: MN 95 Drainage Repair

District(s), Member(s): 12 – Gonzalez

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to increase the project length and cost of MnDOT's drainage project on Minnesota Highway 95.

Background

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) requests an amendment to reflect an expanded length and increased cost for its Minnesota Highway 95 project. The project will increase from 1.5 miles in length to 9.6 miles. The cost increase is reflected in a cost reduction in a second project, a setaside fund for supplemental agreements and cost overruns.

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 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 significantly lengthening the project at a moderate cost increase.

Funding

The project is fully funded with state funds.

Known Support / Opposition

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

Please amend the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include project 1 in program year 2021 (with funds from project 2). This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Project	SEQ #	State Fiscal Year	ATP / Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description
1	1782	2021	M	MN95	8210-114	MnDOT	MN95, 0.52 mi north of MN97 to 0.03 mi south of Cedarcliff Rd <u>0.26 mi south of MN 8 in Scandia and Franconia Township</u> - repair drainage
2	1802	2021	M	Hwy 999	880M-SA-21	MnDOT	Districtwide setaside for supplemental agreement and cost overruns – FY 2021

Project	Miles	Prog	Type of work	Prop funds	Total \$	State \$
1	1.5	DR	Drainage	SF	297,000	297,000
	<u>9.6</u>				<u>497,000</u>	<u>497,000</u>
2	-	SA	Supp Agree & Cost Overruns	SF	24,196,000	24,196,000
					<u>23,996,000</u>	<u>23,996,000</u>

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

- 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 reflect a scope change and total project cost increase for 8210-114. The cost increase is funded from 880M-SA-21.

- 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 **X**

The total project cost increased from \$297,000 to \$497,000. Additional state funds will be provided from set-aside 880M-SA-21. 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 November 18, 2020 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on December 4, 2020.

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 NC. Non-classifiable per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules