

**ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2018-35**

**DATE:** June 6, 2018

**TO:** Transportation Advisory Board

**FROM:** Technical Advisory Committee

**PREPARED BY:** Joe Barbeau, Senior Planner (651-602-1705)

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of the Draft 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for release for a public comment period.

**REQUESTED ACTION:** The Metropolitan Council requests that the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) adopt the draft 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for release for a public comment period.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Transportation Advisory Board adopt the draft 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for release for a public comment period.

**BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:** The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a four-year list of federally funded transportation projects required for all metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs). The TIP must include all projects funded with federal transportation funds and projects that affect air quality. Federal regulations require that a TIP be developed at least every four years. The Metropolitan Council revises its TIP every year in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Transportation's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The draft 2019-2022 TIP and its development process will meet applicable federal requirements once the public input process is complete. The public comment period is scheduled to run from June 24 to August 7.

The 2019-2022 TIP approval schedule is as follows:

- June 20, 2018 – TAB approves draft TIP for public review
- August 7, 2018 – Public review/comment period ends
- August 15, 2018 – TAB considers public comments and approval of the final TIP
- September 10, 2018 – Transportation Committee recommends concurrence with the TIP to the Metropolitan Council
- September 26, 2018 – Metropolitan Council concurrence with TAB approval of TIP
- September/October, 2018 – MnDOT inclusion of TIP into State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Roughly November 1, 2018 – USDOT approves Minnesota STIP

The 2019-2022 TIP includes projects valued at approximately \$4 billion for highway, freight transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects. Roughly 18% (both in terms of total and federal dollars) of this is from the Regional Solicitation. The sources of funds over the four years are summarized as follows:

- Total – \$4.04 Billion
  - Federal Highway – \$1.3 Billion
  - Federal Transit – \$872 Million
  - Property Tax and State Taxes – \$1.4 Billion
  - Trunk Highway – \$471 Million

**RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY:** Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be partially funded with federal funds must be in an approved Transportation Improvement Program and meet the following four tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; air quality conformity and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB's responsibility to adopt and amend the TIP according to these four requirements.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION:** At its May 17, 2018, meeting, the Funding & Programming Committee voted unanimously to request that staff add language on transit asset management (TAM) and to recommend forwarding the draft TIP to TAB for release for a public comment period.

At its June 6, 2018, meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the TIP for release for public comment.

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**ROUTING**

<b>TO</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>	<b>COMPLETION DATE</b>
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	5-17-2018
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	6-6-2018
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Release for Public Comment	-
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	-
Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	-
Metropolitan Council	Review & Concur	-