

ACTION TRANSMITTAL – 2019-57

DATE: November 5, 2019

TO: Transportation Advisory Board

FROM: TAC Executive Committee

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SUBJECT: 2019-2022 TIP Amendment for Hennepin County: County State Aid (CSAH) Highway 15 Bridge Replacement Project

REQUESTED ACTION: Hennepin County requests an amendment to the 2019-2022 TIP to add its project replacing the CSAH 15 Bridge in Orono (SP# 027-615-025).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Transportation Advisory Board adopt an amendment into the 2019-2022 TIP to add Hennepin County's project replacing the CSAH 15 Bridge in Orono (SP# 027-615-025).

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This amendment is needed to add a new federally funded project to the 2019-22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Following TAB approval of the 2018 Regional Solicitation program of projects, this project was incorporated into the draft 2020-2023 TIP to be funded with Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds. The project needs to be added to the 2019-2022 TIP, which remains in effect during federal review of the 2020-2023 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which enables the TIP to be in effect, and is lasting longer than anticipated.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be funded with federal funds must be in an approved TIP 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 per these requirements.

STAFF ANALYSIS: This TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The amendment is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on April 24, 2019, and with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on May 9, 2019. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. Public input opportunity for this amendment is provided through the TAB's and Council's regular meetings.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: This amendment meets the criteria for using TAB's streamlined TIP amendment process and was approved for streamlining by the TAC Executive Committee.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
Technical Advisory Committee Executive Committee	Review & Recommend	11/4/2019
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	

Please amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2020. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

State Fiscal Year	ATP/Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description	Miles
2020	M	CSAH 15	027-615-025	Hennepin County	**AC**: CSAH 15 over Tanager Channel in Orono-Replace Bridge #27592 (AC project, payback in FY21)	0

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	AC \$	Other \$
BR	Br Replacement	STBG	\$2,915,000	\$2,200,000	\$715,000

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 add a new federally funded project into the 2019-22 TIP/STIP. This project is already included in the 2020-23 TIP/STIP and this amendment will reflect this in the 2019-22 TIP/STIP in case it is still in effect at letting.

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 **X**

This project is currently programmed/budget balanced in the submitted 2020-23 TIP/STIP but due to authorizing prior to that STIP being approved, it is being added to the 19-22 TIP/STIP; 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 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 S-19. Widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes) per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.