

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2021-56

DATE: December 2, 2021

TO: Transportation Advisory Board

FROM: Technical Advisory Committee

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SUBJECT: Streamlined 2022-2025 TIP amendment for MnDOT: MN 55 Preservation in Minneapolis

REQUESTED ACTION: MnDOT requests an amendment to 2022-2025 TIP to reduce the cost and scope of its MN 55 preservation project in Minneapolis (SP # 2724-126).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2022-2025 TIP to reduce the cost and scope of MnDOT's MN 55 preservation project in Minneapolis (SP # 2724-126).

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This request is to reduce the project length and remove pond repair from the scope of MnDOT's mill and overlay (and other preservation and upgrades) project on MN 55 from 32nd St to MN 62 in Minneapolis. Along with this scope reduction is a \$2,780,000 overall cost reduction.

This project is funded through the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP), which is not programmed through the Regional Solicitation.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all TIP amendments 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 recommend TIP amendments to the Council for adoption, provided these four requirements are met.

The streamlined TIP amendment process allows projects that meet certain conditions to be streamlined, which entails forgoing the TAC Funding & Programming Committee review and results in saving a month of process time.

STAFF ANALYSIS: The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the state funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 18, 2020 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on December 4, 2020. Public input opportunity for this amendment is provided through the TAB's and the Council's regular meetings. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its December 1, 2021, meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend adoption of an

amendment to the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program to reduce the cost and scope of MnDOT's MN 55 preservation project in Minneapolis.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE SCHEDULED / COMPLETED
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	12/1/2021
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	12/15/2021
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	12/20/2021
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	12/22/2021

Please amend the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change this project in program year 2022. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP / Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2022	M	MN 55	2724-126	MnDOT	MN55 from 0.04 mi N of 32nd St to MN62 in Mpls – Bituminous mill and overlay, CPR, sidewalk repairs, ped ramp upgrades, APS, guardrail, pond repair , drainage and traffic signals

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	State \$	Other \$
5.78	RS	Mill & Overlay	NHPP	11,780,000	8,704,000	2,176,000	900,000
<u>3.89</u>				<u>9,000,000</u>	<u>6,880,000</u>	<u>1,720,000</u>	<u>400,000</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 formal is to reduce the total project length and cost and remove the pond repair from the scope.

- 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 project cost does not change. 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 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
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

*Exempt Project Category S10—Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.