

ACTION TRANSMITTAL – 2021-42

DATE: October 6, 2021

TO: Transportation Advisory Board

FROM: Technical Advisory Committee

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SUBJECT: Streamlined 2022-2025 TIP amendment for MnDOT: MN 3 Trail in Farmington

REQUESTED ACTION: MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program to change the scope of its MN 3 project (SP# 1921-110) to reflect the construction of a trail.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program to change the scope of MnDOT's MN 3 project (SP# 1921-110) to reflect the construction of a trail.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This amendment is needed for MnDOT to change the scope from “bridge modifications” to construction of a trail. This is a correction of an errant project description.

This project is entirely funded with state funds.

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 adopt and amend the TIP per these four requirements.

The streamlined TIP amendment process allows projects that meet certain conditions to be forgo the TAC Funding & Programming Committee review, resulting 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 October 6, 2021, meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee recommended adoption of an amendment the 2022-2025 TIP to change the scope of MnDOT's MN 3 project to reflect the construction of a trail.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE SCHEDULED / COMPLETED
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	10/6/2021
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend TIP Amendment	10/20/2021
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	*
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	*

* Following the Transportation Advisory Board, the amendment to the 2022-2025 TIP will still need to be considered by the Transportation Committee and Metropolitan Council following approval of the draft 2022-2025 TIP.

Please amend the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend this 2022 project. 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
2022	M	MN 3	1921-110	MnDOT	Along west side MN3 from Willow St to 205 th St in Farmington- Bridge 19X06-2013 modifications - Construct trail (Tied to 1921-90 and 1921-90S)	.54

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	Federal \$	TH \$	Other
LPP	Trail	SF	275,400	N/A	275,400	N/A

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 for a scope change from modifying the bridge to constructing a trail.

- 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

No additional funds are needed; 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 AQ-2. Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.