

# Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



**Meeting Date:** May 18, 2022

**Date:** May 11, 2022

## Action Transmittal: 2022-23

Release of the Draft 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for a public comment period

**To:** Transportation Advisory Board

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### Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board release the draft 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program for public comment.

### Background and Purpose

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 along with all regionally significant projects, regardless of funding source. 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 2023-2026 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 May 22 to July 5, 2022.

The 2023-2026 TIP approval schedule is as follows:

- May 18, 2022 – TAB releases draft TIP for public review
- July 5, 2022 – Public review/comment period ends
- August 17, 2022 – TAB considers public comments and approval of the final TIP
- September 12, 2022 – Transportation Committee recommends concurrence with the TIP to the Metropolitan Council
- September 28, 2022 – Metropolitan Council concurrence with TAB approval of TIP
- September/October 2022 – MnDOT inclusion of TIP into State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- November 2022 – USDOT approves Minnesota STIP

The 2023-2026 TIP includes projects valued at approximately \$5.6 billion for highway, freight transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects. Roughly 16% of federal funding is from the Regional Solicitation. The sources of funds over the four years are summarized as follows:

- Total – \$5.6 Billion
  - Federal Highway – \$1.5 Billion
  - Federal Transit – \$1.6 Billion
  - Property Tax and State Taxes – \$1.8 Billion
  - Trunk Highway – \$530 Million

## Relationship to Regional Policy

Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be partially- or fully-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 Metropolitan Council's responsibility to adopt and amend the TIP according to these four requirements.

## Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Release for Public Comment	May 18, 2022

