Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Meeting Date: September 21, 2022 Date: September 14, 2022

Action Transmittal: 2022-38

Streamlined 2023-2026 TIP Amendment: MN Highway 36 Ramp Reconstruction

To: Transportation Advisory BoardFrom: Technical Advisory Committee

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Requested Action

Ramsey County requests an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to change the termini, add a retaining wall, and increase the cost for its Highway 36 ramp reconstruction project (SP# 6212-181).

Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to change the termini, add a retaining wall, and increase the cost for Ramsey County's Highway 36 ramp reconstruction project (SP# 6212-181).

Summary

The requested action involves expanding Ramsey County's Highway 36 ramp reconstruction project in scope, length, and cost. The Technical Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of this streamlined TIP amendment request.

Background and Purpose

This request is to increase the total project cost of Ramsey County's MN Highway 36 ramp reconstruction project at Fairview Avenue from \$3,372,000 to \$4,367,000, add a retaining wall, and increase the length from 0.2 miles to 1.25 miles.

The project is funded thought the National Highway Performance Program, which is not connected to the Regional Solicitation.

This TIP amendment request is to be reflected in the 2023-2026 TIP, which is yet to be approved. The Council will consider the amendment request following federal approval of the 2023-2026 TIP.

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 federal, state, and local 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 September 7, 2022, meeting the Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to change the termini, add a retaining wall, and increase the cost for Ramsey County's Highway 36 ramp reconstruction project.

Routing

То	Action Requested	Date Scheduled / Completed	
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	September 7, 2022	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	September 21, 2022	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	TBD*	
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	TBD*	

^{*}The request will be provided to the Transportation Committee following United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) approval of the 2023-2026 TIP.

Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend this project. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq	State Fiscal	ATP /	Route	Project Number		
#	Year	Dist	Sytem	(S.P. #)	Agency	Description
TBD	2023	Μ	MN 36	6212-181	Ramsey	MN36, from I35 to Snelling Ave and on
					County	CSAH 48 (Fairview Ave) from Gluek Ln
						to W entrance of Rosedale Mall
						(interchange) in Roseville –
						Reconstruct ramps (BR 62029 &
						62030), in place retaining wall,
						drainage, pavement, concrete median,
						ADA improvements and signals

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA\$	TH\$	Other \$
0.2	SC	Traffic Control	NHPP	3,372,000	2,286,400	571,600	874,000
<u>1.25</u>		Devices		<u>4,367,000</u>	<u>2,749,600</u>	<u>687,400</u>	930,000

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 formal amendment is to increase the total project cost from \$3,372,000 to \$4,367,000 and increase the length from 0.2 miles to 1.25 miles.

- 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

Additional federal NHPP funding of \$463,200 is available from SP 1909-106, which had a decrease of \$1,473,200 in STIP/TIP mod approved 8/10/2022. 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 S-10—Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules

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I35 to Snelling Ave
& on CSAH 48 (Fairview Ave)
from Gluek LN to W Entrance
of Rosedale Mall

Project Location



