

Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Meeting Date: January 18, 2023

Date: January 6, 2023

Action Transmittal: 2023-06

Streamlined 2023-2026 TIP Amendment: Washington County Central Greenway Trailhead

To: Transportation Advisory Board

From: Technical Advisory Committee

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Requested Action

Washington County requests an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to add preliminary engineering for (SP # 082-090-009), and construction of (SP # 082-090-010), its Central Greenway Regional Trail trailhead.

Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to add preliminary engineering for (SP # 082-090-009), and construction of (SP # 082-090-010), Washington County's Central Greenway Regional Trail trailhead.

Summary

The requested action involves adding a federally awarded project to the 2023-2026 TIP to enable Washington County to complete a trailhead on the Central Greenway Regional Trail. The Technical Advisory Committee unanimously recommended the action.

Background and Purpose

Washington County was awarded federal funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022 for engineering and completion of its Central Greenway Regional Trail Trailhead. Because preliminary engineering (2023) and construction (2024) are planned for two separate years, the request is shown as two project lines.

The federal demonstration funding awarded through the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022 is not connected to the Regional Solicitation.

Relationship to Regional Policy

Federal law requires that all TIP amendments meet the following tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB's responsibility to recommend TIP amendments to the Council for adoption, provided these requirements are met.

The streamlined TIP amendment process allows projects that meet certain conditions to be streamlined, which entails forgoing 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 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.

Committee Comments and Action

At its January 4, 2023 meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee unanimously recommended adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to add preliminary engineering for, and construction of, Washington County's Central Greenway Regional Trail trailhead.

Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed / (Scheduled)
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	January 4, 2023
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	<i>January 18, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	<i>January 23, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	<i>January 25, 2023</i>



Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program years 2023 and 2024. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Project	Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP/Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description
1	TBD	2023	M	Local	082-090-009	Washington County	Central Greenway Regional Trail Trailhead; preliminary engineering
2	TBD	2024	M	Local	082-090-010	Washington County	Central Greenway Regional Trail Trailhead; trailhead amenities, pavement rehab, parking lot, restroom facilities, landscaping and lighting

Project	Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
1	0.0	RT	PE	DEMO	240,000	160,000	80,000
2	0.0	RT	Recreational Trails	DEMO	1,340,000	840,000	500,000

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 project awarded federal funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, under DEMO ID MN 275.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?
 - New Money X
 - Anticipated Advance Construction
 - ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other

DEMO funds are in addition to federally funded targets. 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.

Central Greenway Regional Trail TIP Amendment

● Proposed Project

