

Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Committee Meeting Date: March 15, 2023

Date: March 6, 2023

Action Transmittal: 2023-17

Streamlined 2023-2026 TIP Amendment: US 8 Reconstruction

To: Transportation Advisory Board
From: Technical Advisory Committee
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Requested Action

Chisago County requests an amendment to the 2023-2036 TIP to add a project reconstruction US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Washington and Chisago counties (SP # 013-596-010).

Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to add reconstruction of US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Washington and Chisago counties (SP # 013-596-010).

Summary

MnDOT proposes extension of an existing US 8 reconstruction and expansion project to include reconstruction on US 8 in Washington County. Because the project will now be included in the Twin Cities MPO region, it needs to be included in the TIP. This is a streamlined TIP amendment recommended for approval by the Technical Advisory Committee.

Background and Purpose

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) currently includes a project reconstruction and expansion of US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Chisago County. MnDOT wishes to expand the cost and termini of the project, with the southern end being extended to Forest Lake in Washington County. Because this is in the Twin Cities MPO area, the project.

The project expansion is funded through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

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 requests 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 request meets fiscal constraint because the federal and local 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 March 1, 2023, meeting the Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to add reconstruction of US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Washington and Chisago counties.

Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed (Scheduled)
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	March 1, 2023
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	<i>March 15, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	<i>March 27, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	<i>April 8, 2023</i>



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

(Note: entire project is new to the TIP; cost, description, and mileage changes reflect changes to the project in the STIP.)

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP/Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2024	M	Highway US 8	013-596-010	Chisago County	Chisago County Line to 0.76 mi E Greenway Ave N I-35 to Chisago County Line in Forest Lake – **CDS** US 8 (Lake Blvd), from Chisago Co Line in Wyoming to Karmel Ave/Wyoming Ave in Chisago City - Reconstruct and US 8 (Lake Blvd) from Chisago Co Line in Wyoming to Karmel Ave/Wyoming Ave in Chisago City - Expansion of two lane undivided to four-lane divided roadway, SIGNALS, with intersection improvements at Greenway and trail along north side US8

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
0.8	MC	Major Const	Demo	10,000,000	0	10,000,000
8.26				80,000,000	3,000,000	77,000,000

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 to add this project to the TIP and to amend it in the STIP. The project exists in the STIP and needs to be amended to update the project termini and costs. Because the southern end of the project is proposed for expansion into the Twin Cities MPO area, it must be added to the TIP. Once added to the TIP, it will also be adjusted in the STIP. The project expansion is funded by an award from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

- 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 federal 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.

US-8 Reconstruction & Expansion TIP Amendment

 Proposed Amendment

