

Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Committee Meeting Date: May 17, 2023

Date: May 8, 2023

Action Transmittal: 2023-21

2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Application: Release for Public Comment

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

TAC recommends that TAB approve the draft 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application for release for public comment with the changes to the previous 2022 HSIP application as described below.

Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) approve the draft 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application for release for public comment with the changes to the 2022 HSIP application as described below.

Background and Purpose

The HSIP application will be released for a 30-day comment period, tentatively scheduled for May 19 to June 23. After the public comment period, a revised draft package will be prepared for TAB's July meeting. HSIP applications will be due on February 1, 2024. The following changes are recommended for the 2024 HSIP solicitation application:

- Cover page – Updated cover
- Page 2 – Finalize the approximate amount of funding for the 2024 Metro solicitation for 2028 and 2029 and whether there will be additional funds available in FY 2026 and 2027.
- Page 3 – Updated the 5-year period of available data, crash statistics, and a statement on signal operations related to safety.
- Page 4 – Added two example project types for the proactive project funding category.
- Page 5 – Included a new note requiring a B/C ratio of 1.0 or greater for the reactive project funding category.
- Page 6 – Updated the 10-year time frame for correctable fatal and serious injury crashes.
- Page 8 – Added a requirement to explain why the project was selected and prioritized that is evidence based.
- Page 8 – Removed the sentence “To meet the intent of HSIP, we want to ensure agencies are selecting projects with the greatest safety benefits rather than responding to public or political pressure” from the Required Material and Special Instructions section of the application. (This

additional change was recommended by TAC.)

- Page 9 – Added requirement for an ADA transition plan for public agencies that employ 50 or more people. (This is consistent with the Regional Solicitation qualifying criteria.)
- Page 10 – Provided a deadline of December 15, 2023, for crash data requests to MnDOT.
- Page 11 – The application now requires electronic submission and “recognize text” selected in the PDF.
- Appendix C – Added a discussion on traffic signal retiming.

Relationship to Regional Policy

TAB develops and issues a Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) solicitation for federal funding.

Committee Comments and Actions

At its May 3, 2023, meeting, TAC recommended approval of the draft 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application for release for public comment.

At its April 20, 2023, meeting, the TAC Funding & Programming Committee recommended approval of the draft 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application for release for public comment with removal of “To meet the intent of HSIP, we want to ensure agencies are selecting projects with the greatest safety benefits rather than responding to public or political pressure” from “Required Material and Special Instructions” on page 8 of the application.

Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Scheduled / Completed
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	April 20, 2023
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	May 3, 2023
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	<i>May 17, 2023</i>

