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RE: Draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.

Dear Metropolitan Area Transportation Stakeholders and Citizens;

In accordance with federal requirements and its desire to gain effective public participation in the preparation of the region's Transportation Improvement Program, the Transportation Advisory Board held a public hearing on the draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, June 20, 2012. A public comment period of 45 days was also held open to receive comments outside the formal public hearing. This document and the attached material comprise the public comment report on the Draft 2013-2016 Transportation improvement Program for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.

This public comment report includes the following:

Appendix A

The public hearing notice that appeared in the State Register, area newspapers and Metropolitan Council website.

Appendix B

Copy of the presentation made by Metropolitan Council staff at the June 20, 2012 public hearing.

Appendix C

Public hearing report and all written comments received during the public comment period with staff responses.

Sincerely,



Kevin Roggenbuck  
TAB Coordinator

# Attachment A

## Public Hearing Notices.

- Notice that appeared on the Metropolitan Council website.
- Notice in the State Register, May 21, 2012.
- Notices that appeared in area newspapers and other publications.



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## Metropolitan Council Public Hearings & Meetings

To leave comments on current public hearing issues, or other regional issues, please call the Council's Public Comment Line at 651-602-1500, or send an e-mail to [data.center@metc.state.mn.us](mailto:data.center@metc.state.mn.us). Details about how to comment on Council issues.

Public Hearing on the Proposed 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area - **June 20, 2012**

Public Meetings and Hearings on Transit Service Plan for the Central Corridor - **June 19, 21, 23, 26 and 28, 2012**

Public Meeting on Proposed Guidelines for Grant Program for Capital Improvements to Public Infrastructure to Reduce Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) - **July 10, 2012**

Public Hearing on Adoption of Public Housing Agency Plan for the Section 8 Program - **August 20, 2012**

Public Information Meeting on Proposed Revisions to the Waste Discharge Rules (WDR) for the Metropolitan Disposal System - **September 27, 2012**

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### Metropolitan Council Notice of Public Hearing on the Proposed 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

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390 North Robert St, St. Paul, MN  
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For more information on the Transit Service Plan or e-mail the Central Corridor Study team. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the meetings and offer comments. Those attending may register in advance to speak by calling the Council at 651-602-1140.

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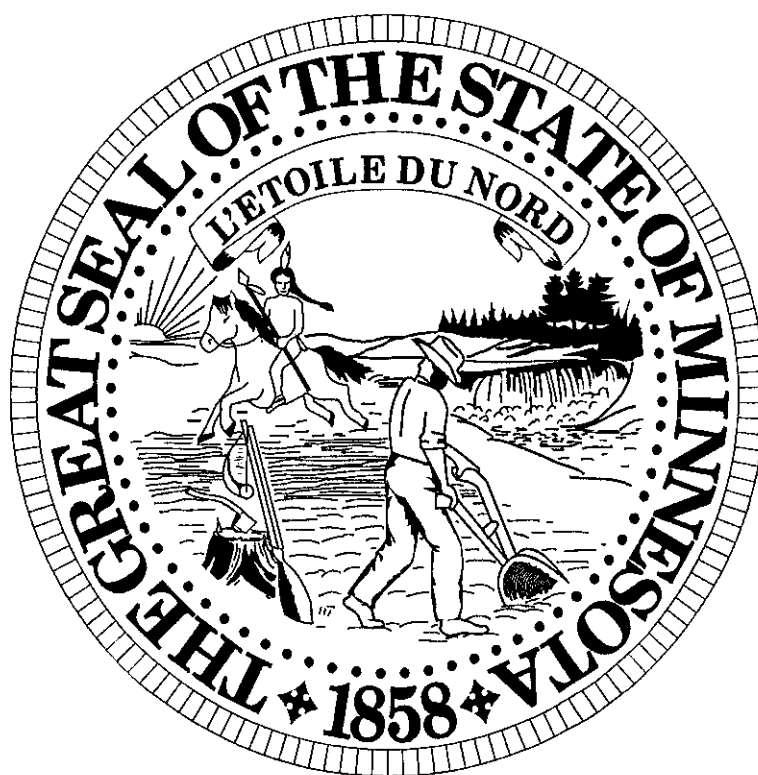
**June 28: 4-6:30 p.m. (Public hearing)**

Rondo Community Outreach Library, Multipurpose Room  
461 Dale Street North, St. Paul  
Served by Routes 16, 50, 65

Additional public meetings may also be scheduled. Visit Metro Transit website for additional information.

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# Official Notices

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## Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

### Labor Standards Unit

#### Notice of Correction to Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates in Itasca County

Corrections have been made to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 12/12/11, for **Labor Code 201**, Articulated Hauler in Itasca County.

**Labor Code 202**, Boom Truck in Itasca County.

**Labor Code 204**, Off-Road Truck in Itasca County.

Copies with the corrected certified wage rates for this County may be obtained by writing the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Prevailing Wage Section, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4306, or by calling (651) 284-5091, or accessing our web site at [www.dli.mn.gov](http://www.dli.mn.gov). Charges for the cost of copying and mailing are \$.25 per page for the first 100 pages, \$.65 per page after that. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

Ken B. Peterson, Commissioner  
Department of Labor and Industry

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COUNTY OF ANOKA ) SS

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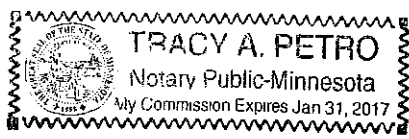
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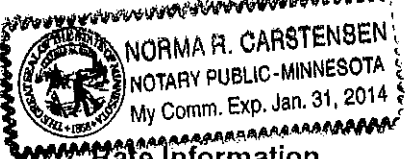
*Keith P. Anderson*

Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to me on this

25 day of May, 2012

By: *Norma R. Carstensen*  
Notary Public



### Rate Information

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## TIP Public Hearings

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
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ROSEMOUNT TOWN PAGES

BY: Peri Williams

TITLE: **Legal Notice Clerk**

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[Signature]  
Notary Public

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(Published in Finance and Commerce May 22, 2012)  
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(SS.  
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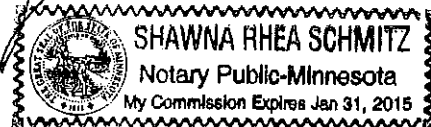
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*Carrie Retzack*

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Sworn to before me this 22nd day of May, 2012

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*Charles E. Shaw*

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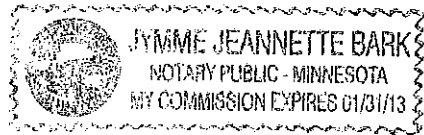
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By: Laurie A. Hartmann  
Laurie A. Hartmann

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Joyanne J. Bark  
Notary Public



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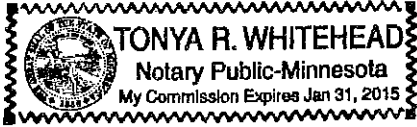
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BY: Anne M. Thillen  
TITLE LEGAL COORDINATOR

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 23<sup>RD</sup> day of MAY, 20 12.  
Tonya R. Whitehead  
Notary Public

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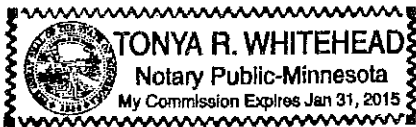
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# Attachment B

Public Hearing presentation materials.

- Presentation by Metropolitan Council on the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program.

**Draft 2013-2016 Transportation  
Improvement Program**

**TIP Adoption Schedule**

- Draft TIP adopted by TAB for Public Comment:
  - May 16, 2012
- Public Hearing
  - June 20, 2012 at meeting of the TAB
- Public Comment Period
  - May 17 – July 6, 2012
- TAB accepts Public Comment Report and adopts TIP
  - August 15, 2012
- Metropolitan Council approves 2013-2016 TIP
  - September 12, 2012

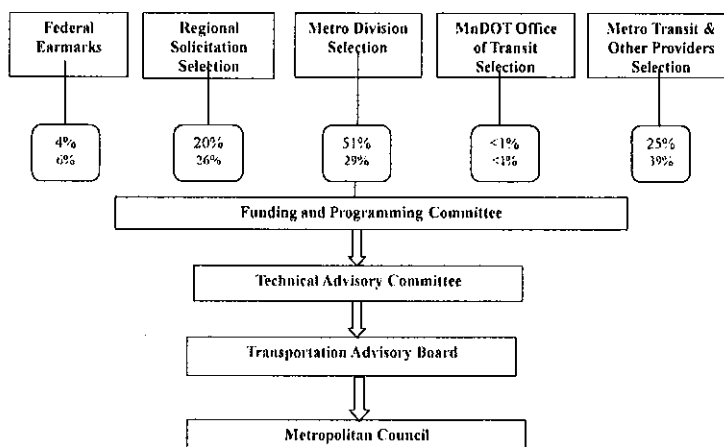
### **Transportation Improvement Program**

- Key responsibility of TAB: Prepare, adopt and maintain TIP
- An approved TIP is required to receive federal funds
- Locally elected officials must program federal funds
- Program of projects eligible for and to be funded partially with federal funds (Appendix A)
- Amended as Needed

### **Key Criteria for TIP and Amendment Approvals**

- Consistent with expected funding level – fiscally balanced TIP (Chapter 3)
- Consistent with regional transportation plan (Chapter 2)
  - 2030 TPP (adopted in 2010)
  - Next TPP to be adopted in 2015
- In conformity with Clean Air Act requirements (Appendix B)

## Twin Cities Transportation Capital Funding



### Source of Funds\*: 4 Year Summary (Chapter 3)

• Federal Title I -	\$968 Million
• Federal Title III -	\$612Million
• Property Tax and State Taxes –	\$490 Million
• Trunk Highway -	\$797Million
• <i>Total -</i>	<i>\$2.867 Billion</i>

\*The TIP does not reflect all transportation funding in the region including substantial local project development costs above the match required for federal funding. It only includes projects identified for FTA and FHWA funds and State Trunk Highway funds.

## **Draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program**

Submit requested changes to the TIP to:

James Andrew  
james.andrew@metc.state.mn.us  
651/602.1721

# Attachment C

- Public Hearing report.
- All public comments received during the public comment period.
- Memo with staff responses to the public comments.



## **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101

Wednesday, June 20, 2012

3:00 P.M.

### **Public Hearing on the DRAFT 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Transportation Advisory Board Chair William Hargis called the public hearing on the DRAFT 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area to order at 3:00 pm, June 20, 2012, Metropolitan Council Conference Room A, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul.

#### **Staff present:**

Amy Vennewitz, MTS

Kevin Roggenbuck, MTS

Pat Bursaw, MnDOT

James Andrew, MTS

#### **Attendees:**

Kathleen Murphy, Transit for Livable Communities

Susan Moe, Federal Highway Administration

The 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program was reviewed via presentation by J. Andrew. P. Bursaw described the MnDOT program of projects and A. Vennewitz described the transit projects included in the Program.

There was one member of the public present to observe and comment.

Kathleen Murphy, Transit for Livable Communities, commented on the lack of state funding provided for transit and how that could affect development of the Southwest Light Rail Transit line.

Those present were reminded of the public comment period and encouraged to submit their comments as directed on the Metro Council website.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hargis adjourned the public hearing on the DRAFT 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area at 3:30 pm on Wednesday, June 20, 2012.

Respectfully submitted: Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Coordinator

Transportation Advisory Board of the Twin Cities

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT 2013-2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Name	Representing
KATHLEEN MURPHY	TRANSIT FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

## Roggenbuck, Kevin

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**From:** Ted Schoenecker [Ted.Schoenecker@co.washington.mn.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2012 9:15 AM  
**To:** Roggenbuck, Kevin  
**Cc:** 'VanWagner, Colleen (DOT)'; Erickson, Dan (DOT); Krumsieg, Cynthia (DOT); Wayne Sandberg; Ted Schoenecker  
**Subject:** 2013-2016 TIP Comment - Washington County  
**Attachments:** TE Application\_2009\_Hardwood Creek Tr\_Washington Co.pdf

Kevin –

We have one project in the TIP:

- 2013 – PED/BIKE, Construct Hardwood Creek Trail

The termini included in the TIP does not correctly identify the project. It should read: *Construct Hardwood Creek Regional Tr Extension from 145<sup>th</sup> St to 140<sup>th</sup> St in Hugo*

145<sup>th</sup> Street is old County Highway 8. We realigned CSAH 8 in 2007. The TE application that we submitted made references to County Highway 8 on the application title page, but the termini included in the Project Information page and supporting maps show the termini to be 145<sup>th</sup> Street. Attached is the supporting information from the application.

We are requesting that the description of the northern termini be revised in the Final TIP to reference 145<sup>th</sup> Street as was provided in the original TE application from the 2009 solicitation. This is only a change in street name, not a termini change, and should not require a scope change.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Thanks.  
Ted

**Ted Schoenecker** | Transportation Planning Manager  
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Washington County Public Works Department  
11660 Myeron Rd North | Stillwater, MN 55082

## Federal Transportation Enhancement Fund Application

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete and return completed application to Kevin Roggenbuck, Transportation Coordinator, Transportation Advisory Board, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. (651) 602-1728. Form 1 needs to be filled out electronically. Please go to Metropolitan Council's website for instructions. **Applications must be received by 5:00 PM or postmarked on June 15, 2009. \*Be sure to complete and attach the Project Information form. (Form 2)**

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### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. APPLICANT: Washington County Public Works Department

2. JURISDICTIONAL AGENCY (IF DIFFERENT):

3. MAILING ADDRESS: 11660 Myeron Road North

CITY: Stillwater

STATE: MN

ZIP CODE: 55082

4. COUNTY: Washington

5. CONTACT PERSON: Wayne Sandberg

TITLE: Deputy Director Public Works

PHONE NO.  
(651)430-4339

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### II. PROJECT INFORMATION

6. PROJECT NAME: Hardwood Creek Regional Trail Extension

7. BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION for database (Include location, road name, type of improvement, etc... A more complete description must be submitted later in the application): The project involves purchase of an unused section of railroad adjacent to U.S. Highway 61 and County Road 8 in the City of Hugo. The project also involves construction of a bituminous trail that will connect the existing southern terminus of the Hardwood Creek Regional Trail to an existing trail on County Road 8 and to an existing pedestrian/sideway system in the City of Hugo at 140<sup>th</sup> Street.

8. THE PROJECT CATEGORY – Check only one project grouping in which you wish your project to be considered (see p. 85).

Environmental

Bicycle/Pedestrian

Streetscape

Historic/Archaeological

### III. PROJECT FUNDING

9 Are you applying for funds from another source(s) to implement this project? Yes  No

If yes, please identify the source(s):

10. FEDERAL AMOUNT: \$600,000

13. SOURCE OF MATCH FUNDS: Washington County

11. MATCH AMOUNT: \$150,000

14. MATCH % OF PROJECT TOTAL: 20%

12. PROJECT TOTAL: \$750,000

15. PROGRAM YEAR:  2013  2014

16. SIGNATURE

17. TITLE: Deputy Director Public Works



# PROJECT INFORMATION (Form 2)

(To be used to assign State Aid Project Number after project is selected)

Please fill in the following information as it pertains to your proposed project. Items that do not apply to your project, please label N/A. **Do not send this form to the State Aid Office. For project solicitation package only.**

COUNTY, CITY, OR LEAD AGENCY: Washington County COUNTY OR CITY NO.: 82

FUNCTIONAL CLASS OF ROAD: A minor arterial

ROAD SYSTEM: TH (TH, CSAH, MSAS, CO. RD., TWP. RD., CITY STREET)

ROAD NO.: 61

NAME OF ROAD: U.S. Highway 61 (Example; 1st ST., MAIN AVE)

LOCATION: From: 140<sup>th</sup> Street

To: 145<sup>th</sup> Street (DO NOT INCLUDE LEGAL DESCRIPTION)

SECTION-TOWNSHIP-RANGE OF ONE END OF PROJECT: Sections: 20 & 29 Township 31, Range 21

TYPE OF WORK: Bituminous Bike Path

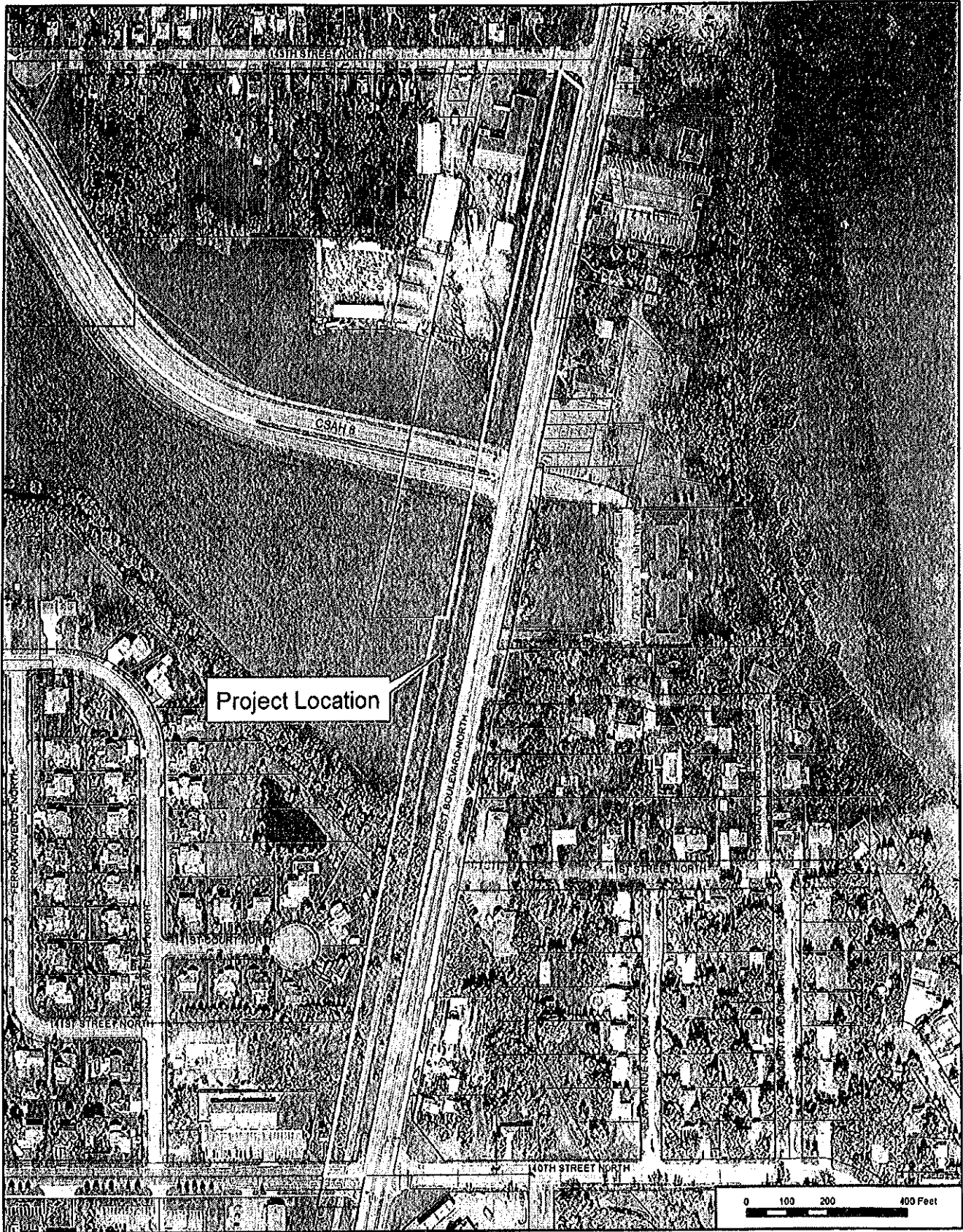
(Examples: GRADE, AGG BASE, BIT BASE, BIT SURF, SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER, STORM SEWER, SIGNALS, LIGHTING, GUARDRAIL, BIKE PATH, PED RAMPS, ETC.)

## BRIDGE/CULVERT PROJECTS

OLD BRIDGE /CULVERT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ NEW BRIDGE/CULVERT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

STRUCTURE IS OVER \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF TWP.: \_\_\_\_\_



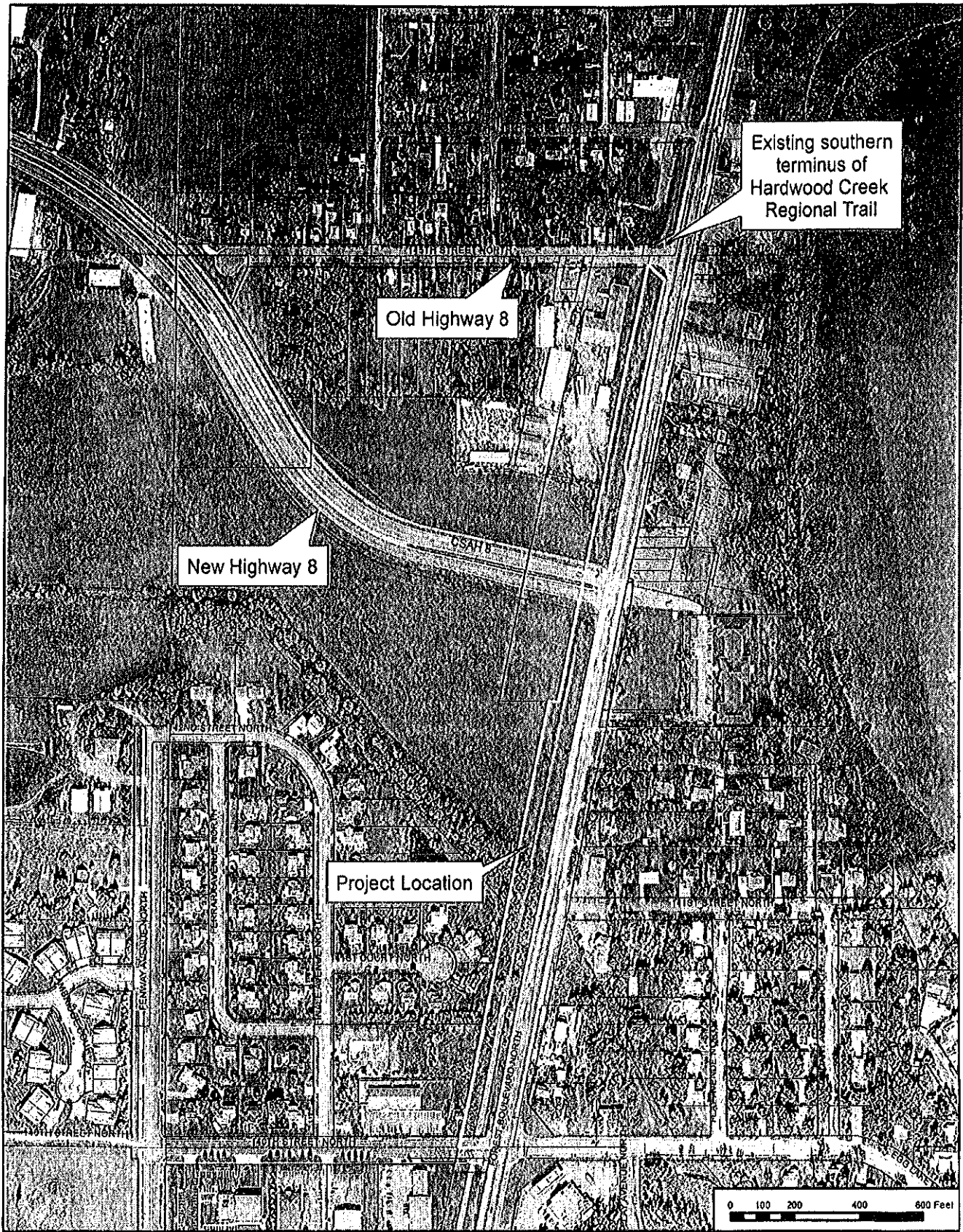
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**Hardwood Creek Regional Trail Right of Way**  
2008 Aerial Photography



Figure 2



Source: Washington County GIS



## Hardwood Creek Regional Trail Right of Way

CSAH 8: Gap in Hardwood Creek Regional Trail



Figure 6



# The Interchange

connecting people and places

June 15, 2012

Mr. James Andrew  
Transportation Advisory Committee  
Metropolitan Council  
390 Robert Street North  
St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Mr. James:

Please consider this letter a formal request to include the Minneapolis Transportation Interchange in the Transportation Improvement Program tables until its completion.

Interchange staff recently looked in the TIP. The Interchange Project is in the 2012-2015 by amendment and we'd like to ensure appropriate inclusion in the 2013-2016 version. We'd also like to make sure the STIP lists the project appropriately.

The Interchange Project will receive final action by the Hennepin County Board on June 26<sup>th</sup>. The Board will award the Design Build contract on that date. A formal ground breaking has been scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Consequently, Hennepin County will draw down the Federal monies awarded to this project over the next year and a half to pay project expenses.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chuck Ballentine', written over a circular scribble.

Chuck Ballentine  
Interchange Project Office Senior Administrative Manager





**Minnesota Department of Transportation**  
**Metropolitan District**  
**1500 West County Road B2**  
**Roseville, MN 55113**

July 5, 2012

William Hargis, Chair  
Transportation Advisory Board  
Metropolitan Council  
390 North Robert Street  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Mr. Hargis:

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) has worked closely with the staff of the Metropolitan Council and the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) in development of the draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Information was supplied in April and May, 2012 for development of the project tables. Several minor changes have occurred since that time, including end-of-year changes affecting a number of individual projects. These changes are documented in the attached tables.

A significant change to emphasize is the latest staging of the development and construction of the new St. Croix crossing near Stillwater and Oak Park Heights. The Minnesota approach to the new crossing has been changed to a Design Build project with the letting advanced from FY 2015 to FY 2013 and completion scheduled for the fall of 2014. The river crossing itself remains in FY 2014 with a scheduled completion for the fall of 2016.

Another important point regarding the draft TIP relates to is the funding assumptions. The final 2013-2016 TIP funding level set asides representing those funds allocated by the Metropolitan Council/TAB are based on the funding levels established under SAFETEA-LU which had been under continuing resolution since September 2009. The recent passage of the new reauthorization of the Federal Transportation bill, MAP-21 appears to bring changes in both program categories and funding levels through the end of Federal FY 2014. The scope of these changes is still undetermined but based on new categories and associated funding, will certainly impact the entire 2013-2016 TIP timeframe. MnDOT will work diligently with Federal Highway Administration staff as well as Metropolitan Council/TAB staff and committees to clarify program categories and funding levels as quickly as possible, but many of these issues will require considerable analysis and policy level discussions and therefore will take some time. We would expect that these issues should be clarified prior to the proposed amendment of regionally selected projects for FY 2015 and 2016 to the 2013-2016 TIP and STIP. It is important that all participants reviewing the draft TIP recognize that many changes will come as a result of MAP-21 and that approval of the TIP document under consideration results in a TIP/program of projects that will change.

With the proposed changes, we believe that the TIP remains fiscally balanced in the first two years, and generally balanced in the remaining years. These proposed changes do not affect the air quality conformity analysis of the TIP, as we have discussed with staff of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Metropolitan Council.

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Mr. William Hargis  
July 5, 2012  
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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 2013-2016 TIP for the Twin Cities area by providing these proposed changes.

Sincerely,



*for* Scott McBride, P.E.  
Metro District Engineer

cc:  
Arlene McCarthy  
Carl Ohrn  
James Andrew  
Kevin Roggenbuck  
Tim Mayasich  
Karl Keel  
Innocent Eyoh  
Mark Gieseke  
Marv Lunceford  
Pat Bursaw  
Susan Moe  
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**PROPOSED CHANGES TO TWIN CITIES DRAFT TIP 2013-2016**

July 3, 2012

CHANGES Since the April 2012 Draft TIP

**Projects Deferred**

Table	Proj. No.	Route	Description	Total Cost	Deferral Year	AQ
A-19	127-591-002	PED/BIKE	**SRTS** CE and construct infrastructure improvements at three schools in Fridley	94,040	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-19	141-591-004	PED/BIKE	**SRTS IN** Safe Routes To School - signing, bike racks, pavement markings in Minneapolis	63,000	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-6	8214-144L	MN 36	**MN126** St Croix River X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI) TH 64-pre design and study of long term rdwy approach alternatives to TH 36/TH 64 for St Croix River Crossing (SAFETEA-LU)	319,950	2012 to 2013	O1
A-19	128-091-004	PED/BIKE	SECT 1807: Non-Motorized pilot program in the Twin Cities -Complete Streets project right of way, Golden Valley	675,000	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-19	141-091-016	PED/BIKE	SECT 1807: Non-Motorized pilot program in Twin Cities-Mpls-U of MN trail from Br 9 to Oak St along RR corridor	1,505,000	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-19	164-091-010	PED/BIKE	SECT 1807: Non-Motorized pilot program in the Twin Cities -construct Jefferson Avenue bikeway from Mississippi River Boulevard to West Seventh Street	1,000,000	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-19	164-091-015	PED/BIKE	SECT 1807: Non-Motorized Pilot Program in the Twin Cities-Griggs Street bikeway	400,000	2012 to 2013	AQ2
A-10	8214-114Q	MN 36	Relocation of historic Shoddy Mill & Warehouse from Oak Park Heights to Stillwater-mitigation item for replacement of river bridge 4654	1,100,000	2012 to 2013	A20
A-6	8214-144	MN 36	**MN126** St Croix River X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TT 36/(WI) TH 64-Pre design and study of long term rdwy approach alternatives to TH 36/TH 64 for St Croix river crossing (SAFETEA-LU)	100,000	2012 to 2013	O1
A-10	2750-71	US 169	Hennepin CSAH 81 & Hennepin CSAH 109, Brooklyn Park (Triangle Project) - landscaping	111,746	2012 to 2013	O6
A-10	1017-100	US 212	AT Carver CSAH 11 interchange in Chaska-landscaping	50,000	2012 to 2013	O6
A-1	TRS-TCMT-10B	BB	CMAQ: purchase 6 artic buses & related spare parts & equipment for expanded weekday service on Rte 673, Minnetonka & Mpls	3,402,600	2013 to 2014	T10
A-1	TRS-TCMT-13H	CMAQ	At SW quadrant of intersection of TH 212 & Carver CSAH 11-service between Carver & downtown Mpls/U of M & demonstration express bus service for three years	1,032,750	2013 to 2014	T1
A-11	166-020-014	CSAH 17	On Scott CSAH 17 from Vierling Dr to TH 169 in Shakopee-traffic signal rebuild including turn lanes	1,224,000	2013 to 2014	E1

A-10	2770-01	US 952A	3rd Ave ramp in Mpls from NW end of Br 27816 N to Jct of I94 & WB ramp from Washington Ave - bus shoulder replacement	426,361,	2013 to 2012	S4
A-1	TRS-TCMT-14B	CMAQ	CMAQ: On I-94 near Manning Ave in Lake Elmo-park & ride land acquisition, design & phase 1 construction	4,435,350	2014 to 2013	E6
A-5	8214-114	MN 36	**Alternate bid**Just W of NW Ave to Jct 95 & 95 from just S of 10th Ave to just N Lookout Trl in Oak Pk Hts, Stlwtr, Baypt-reconstruct frntage rds & intersections, construct bridge 82043(Beach Rd)& restaurant pk lot(AC project, payback managed into future) (8214-147 was combined into this project)	56,700,000	2015 to 2013	O4
A-6	8214-114CC	MN 36	**MN217**St Croix river X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI)TH 64-design, mitigation implementation, construct, & acquire RW (SAFETEA-LU)(AC project, paybacks in 2015 & 2016)	4,922,260	2014 to 2013	A20
A-9	8214-114RW	MN 36	Just W of NW Ave to Jct 95 & 95 from just S of 10th Ave to just N Lookout Trl in Oak Pk Hts, Stlwtr, Baypt- right of way acquisition	2,600,000	2014 to 2013	A20
A-9	6205-37	US 10	Just west of I35W in Mounds View to I694 in Arden Hills - unbonded concrete overlay & drainage	3,900,000	2014 to 2013	S10

**Additions - New Projects Added to the Draft 2013-2016 TIP**

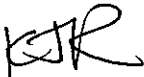
Table	Proj. No.	Route	Description	Total Cost	Added To	AQ
A-19	SRS-9064-13	CITY	**SRTS** Safe Routes to School - Non-infrastructure grant for Mpls public schools-increase access to bicycles, maintenance classes & safety education delivered thru physical education & after school programs at six schools, & implement crossing guards at Lucy Laney school in N Mpls	60,000	2013	NC
A-7	2785-364AC	I 494	From I35W to MN100 in Bloomington and Richfield - add WB auxiliary lane, noise wall, drainage, ponding, lighting, TMS, approach panels, & replace existing bridge #9126 (new bridge #27408) & necessary approach reconstruction (AC payback 1 of 1)	8,582,163	2013	A15
A-7	2785-367AC	I 494	From just W of 34th Ave to just W of France Ave in Bloomington-mill & overlay, construct WB aux lane from Portland Ave to Nicollet Ave, median barrier, drainage, retaining walls & TMS (AC payback 1 of 1)	14,721,766	2013	S10

**Additions - New Projects Added to the Draft 2013-2016 TIP**

Table	Proj. No.	Route	Description	Total Cost	Added To	AQ
A-6	8214-114CCAC1	MN 36	**MN217**St Croix river x-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI) TH 64-design, mitigation implementation, construct, & acquire RW (SAFETEA-LE)(AC payback 1 of 2)	2,500,000	2015	A20
A-9	8214-114RW2	MN 36	St Croix river X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI) TH 64-right of way acquisition	1,000,000	2015	A20
A-10	8214-114Z	MN 36	St Croix mit item - bluffland restoration - removal of buckhorn sign, partial restoration of Wisconsin approach (removal of pavement from east end of bridge to STH 35 and portions of CTH E) - Wisconsin let	90,651	2015	NC
A-10	8214-160	MN 36	W of Greeley to west side of TH95-landscaping	1,500,000	2015	O6
A-1	TRS-TCMT-16	CMAQ	CMAQ TDM: Activities to reduce SOV use by van pools, car pool & ride matching programs, marketing, transit ridership incentives by supporting several transportation management organizations.	4,375,000	2016	T1
A-10	8214-114AH	MN 36	St Croix mit item - Kolliner park: removal of non-historic elements to allow reversion to "natural"-Wisconsin let	9,518	2016	NC
A-6	8214-114CCAC2	MN 36	**MN217**St Croix river X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI) TH 64-design, mitigation implementation, construct, & acquire RW (SAFETEA-LE)(AC payback 2 of 2)	1,437,808	2016	A20
A-9	8214-114RW3	MN 36	St Croix river X-ing at Stillwater-(MN)TH 36/(WI) TH 64-right of way acquisition	1,000,000	2016	A20

**Transportation Advisory Board**  
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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**TO:** Metropolitan Area Transportation Stakeholders and Citizens:  
**FROM:** Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Transportation Coordinator   
**DATE:** July 18, 2012  
**RE:** Draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Twin Cities  
Metropolitan Area: Report on public comments and staff recommendations.

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The Transportation Advisory Board held a 45-day public comment period on the draft 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program, beginning on May 16 and ending on July 6, 2012. All comments received at the public hearing held on June 20, 2012 are included in the public hearing report and all written comments received by the close of the public comment period are attached to this memo. Below is a summary of the three comments received during the public comment period with staff response and recommendations.

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## COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Planning Manager, Washington County

Staff received an email and attachment dated May 19, 2012 with the following comment:

The termini of SP# 082-090-004, Hardwood Creek Regional Trail Extension, is incorrect. The project description in the 2013-2016 TIP should read as follows: *Construct Hardwood Creek Regional Trail Extension from 145<sup>th</sup> Street to 140<sup>th</sup> Street in Hugo.* 145<sup>th</sup> Street is old County Highway 8, which was realigned in 2007. The Transportation Enhancements application references the old alignment which is in the public comment draft TIP.

**Staff response and recommendation:** This is an important clarification because accurate project termini must be included in the TIP. Mr. Schoenecker also contacted MnDOT staff and the project termini are now accurately described in the final draft Program going forward for adoption.

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Chuck Ballentine, Interchange Project Office Senior Administrative Manager

Staff received a signed letter dated June 15, 2012 with the following comment:

Section 5309 funding for the Interchange Project was included in the 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program by amendment. The Interchange Project Office asked that the funding amended into the previous TIP is appropriately included in the 2013-2016 TIP because final action on the contract and ground breaking is scheduled very soon.

**Staff response and recommendation:** In March 2012, the TAB adopted an amendment to the 2012-2015 TIP to include \$10 million in TIGER funds in FY 2012. Staff contacted the project manager who said the funds have been authorized and transferred to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The FTA has approved the grant application from the Interchange Office and has begun spending the TIGER funds. Because the funds were authorized in FY 2012, the TIP amendment would not appear in the 2013-2016 TIP.

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Scott McBride, Metro District Engineer, Minnesota Dept. of Transportation.

Staff received a letter dated July 5, 2012 requesting that a number of changes be made to state and local projects listed in the Public Hearing copy of the draft 2013-2016 TIP. These reflect end-of-the-year changes affecting a number of individual projects. The letter noted the recent passage of MAP 21 and the need for MnDOT and the MPOs to understand the changes in program categories and funding levels. Attached to the letter were several tables listing projects to be deferred, projects to be deleted, projects to be advanced and a table of new projects to be added.

**Staff response and recommendation:** The changes described in the tables sent with Mr. McBride's letter reflect MnDOT's normal end of fiscal year balancing changes, updated project cost estimates, new project funding commitments and projects shifting among program years within the TIP timeframe. Staff recommends that the changes provided in the attached tables be incorporated into the 2013-2016 TIP.