

ACTION TRANSMITTAL 2014-33

DATE: April 30, 2014

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: TAC Funding and Programming Committee

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SUBJECT: 2014-2017 TIP Amendment for MnDOT Bridges over the Minnesota River

REQUESTED ACTION: MnDOT requests an amendment to modify the budget and scope for bridges over the Minnesota River in Bloomington and Eagan in 2015 (SP#1925-52).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board adopt an amendment to the 2014-2017 TIP to modify the project scope and budget for MnDOT bridges over the Minnesota River in Bloomington and Eagan in 2015 (SP#1925-52).

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This project is currently programmed in the 2014-2017 TIP. After additional evaluation of the structures, MnDOT determined additional work was needed on three bridges. This amendment modifies the project description by adding replace joints and bearing rehabilitation and also modifies the project cost to reflect this additional work.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be partially funded with federal funds must be in an approved TIP and 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 adopt and amend the TIP according to these four requirements.

STAFF ANALYSIS: The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the state and federal funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The amendment is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 10, 2010, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on February 23, 2011. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project was exempt from air quality conformity analysis. Public input opportunities for this amendment are provided through the TAB's and Council's regular meetings.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its April 17, 2014, meeting, the Funding and Programming Committee unanimously recommended this TIP amendment for approval.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	April 17, 2014
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Concurrence	
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