

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2019-16

DATE: February 21, 2019

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: TAC Funding and Programming Committee

PREPARED BY: Joe Barbeau, Senior Planner (651-602-1705)

SUBJECT: 2019-2022 TIP Amendment Request: MnDOT I-94 Reconstruction

REQUESTED ACTION: MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the cost and description of its I-94 concrete overlay project (SP # 2780-97) and to add an associated project for temporary widening and cross overs (SP # 2780-99)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to the Transportation Advisory Board approval of an amendment to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the cost and description of MnDOT's I-94 concrete overlay project (SP # 2780-97) and to add an associated project for temporary widening and cross overs (SP # 2780-99)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: An amendment is needed to update the project description and total project cost of this 2020 project (SP # 2780-97) on I-94 between Maple Grove and Rogers. Cost estimates have increased to \$124,600,000. Additional project scope includes adding rest area work and weigh-in-motion technology. Also needed as part of this amendment request is the addition of a new 2019 project to complete temporary lane widening and crossovers prior to construction of SP # 2780-97. The total project cost for this new project (SP # 2780-99) is \$11,300,000. The project is funded with state bond funds.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be 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 Transportation Advisory Board's (TAB's) responsibility to adopt and amend the TIP according to these four requirements.

STAFF ANALYSIS: The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the Rethinking I-94 project is being shifted to a later year to allow this project more time to work with stakeholders on a project scope and related environmental documentation. This amendment will be consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan's Second Amendment which is anticipated to be approved on May 8, 2019. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. The 2019-2022 TIP conforms to the relevant sections of the Federal Conformity Rule and to the applicable sections of Minnesota State Implementation Plan for air quality. Public input

opportunities for this amendment are provided through the TAB's and Council's regular meetings.

This action follows the action last month of this committee related to the Transportation Policy Plan Amendment #2, which added a new lane to the long-range plan from Highway 610 to Highway 101.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its February 21, 2019, meeting, the Funding & Programming Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of an amendment to the 2019-2022 TIP to change the cost and description of MnDOT's I-94 concrete overlay project and to add an associated project for temporary widening and cross overs.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	2-21-2019
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	
Metropolitan Council	Review & Concur	