

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2021-43

DATE: September 30, 2021

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

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SUBJECT: Streamlined 2022-2025 TIP Amendment Request for MnDOT: Two Project Cost Changes

REQUESTED ACTION: Sponsors request an amendment to the 2022-2025 TIP to adjust funding for two MnDOT-sponsored projects: US Highway 10 bridge replacement (SP# 0215-76) and US 952A bridge pier rehabilitation (SP # 2770-05).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment the 2022-2025 TIP to change the cost of two MnDOT-sponsored projects (SP # 0215-76 and 2770-05).

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: MnDOT requests funding adjustments for two projects. These are:

1. A total project cost decrease (and federal funding increase) to MnDOT's US 10 bridge replacement and rehabilitee project (0215-76).
2. A total project and federal funding increase to MnDOT's US 952A bridge pier rehabilitation project (0215-76). This increase is due to installation of clearform catchment systems on the undersides of several bridge decks.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all TIP amendments 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 per these four requirements.

The streamlined TIP amendment process allows projects that meet certain conditions to be forgo the TAC Funding & Programming Committee review, resulting in saving a month of process time.

STAFF ANALYSIS: The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal, state, and local funds 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. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE SCHEDULED / COMPLETED
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	10/6/2021
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	10/20/2021
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	Undecided*
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	Undecided*

*Following the Transportation Advisory Board, the amendment to the 2020-2025 TIP will not be forwarded to the Transportation Committee until the 2022-2025 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is approved by the USDOT.