

## **ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2021-10**

**DATE:** January 27, 2021

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

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**SUBJECT:** 2021-2024 Streamlined TIP Amendment for MnDOT: US 212 Lighting Improvement

**REQUESTED ACTION:** MnDOT requests an amendment to include in the 2021-2024 TIP funding for a lighting upgrade on US 212 (SP# 2763-62).

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to include funding for MnDOT's lighting upgrade on US 212 (SP# 2763-62).

**BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:** MnDOT was awarded funding from the 2020 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) to upgrade to continuous lighting on US Highway 212 from 1,000 feet west of Valley View Road to 700 feet west of eastbound Minnesota Highway 62. This project was funded with money available for fiscal year 2022.

Projects from that solicitation are scheduled to be included in the 2022-2025 TIP. However, MnDOT anticipates this project beginning before the approval of the 2022-2025 TIP, which will be completed in the fall. Therefore, in order for the project to begin on time, it needs to be added to the 2021-2024 TIP, which will be active for roughly the first four months of fiscal year 2022. No deviation from the application's original cost or scope is proposed.

**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 TAB's responsibility to adopt and amend the TIP per these four requirements.

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the local and federal 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.

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**ROUTING**

<b>TO</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>	<b>DATE SCHEDULED/COMPLETED</b>
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	2/3/2021
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	2/17/2021
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	3/8/2021
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	3/24/2021