Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Committee Meeting Date: January 8, 2025 Date: January 2, 2025

Action Transmittal: 2025-03

Streamlined 2025-2028 TIP Amendment Request – MnDOT's I-94 & I-35E Bridge Improvements Project Cost Reduction

To: Technical Advisory Committee

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Requested Action

MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reduce the cost and combine scopes for its I-94 and I-35E bridge improvements project.

Recommended Motion

That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend that TAB recommend approval of an amendment to the 2025-2028 TIP to reduce the cost and combine the scopes of MnDOT's I-94 and I-35E bridge improvements project.

Background and Purpose

MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reduce the cost and combine scopes for its I-94 and I-35E bridge improvements projects. MnDOT requests that one project (SP# 6282-224) to rehabilitate the Marion Street (CSAH 56) bridge over I-94 and the eastbound ramp to be merged into an existing project (SP# 6282-216) to improve several bridges over I-94 and I-35E. The following improvements are included in the amendment:

- Repair nine bridges
- Replace superstructure on two bridges
- Reconstruct pavement near two bridges
- Rehabilitate Marion Street (CSAH 56) bridge, improve signals on eastbound ramp, and ADA improvements

This includes a minor change in scope to current SP# 6282-224, changing signal replacement to repair. The total cost of the final project is \$23,758,000, representing a total project cost reduction of \$3,911,000, covered with \$21,382,000 in federal funds and \$2,375,800 in state funds. This project is funded by NHPP (National Highway Performance Program) and Bridge Formula Program funds. This project is not funded with Regional Solicitation funds.

Relationship to Regional Policy

Federal law requires that all TIP amendments meet the following tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB's responsibility to recommend TIP amendments to the Council for adoption, provided these requirements are met.

Staff Analysis

The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. 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.

Routing

То	Action Requested	Date Completed (Date Scheduled)
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	January 8, 2025
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	January 15, 2025
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	January 27, 2025
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	February 12, 2025

2025-2028 TIP AMENDMENT REQUEST

Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to adjust the below projects.

Project Identification

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	6282-216	6282-224		
Seq #	TBD	TBD		
State Fiscal Year (State)	2025	2025		
ATP and District	Metro	Metro		
Route System	194	194		
Project Number (S.P. #)	6282-216	6282-224		
Agency	MnDOT	MnDOT		
Description	**BFP**: 194, FROM WESTERN AVE TO MOUNDS BLVD AND 135E FROM 10TH ST TO JACKSON ST IN ST PAUL- REPAIR BRIDGES 62703, 62706, 62889, 62877, 62898, 62888, 62891, 62894, 62893, PAINT BRIDGES 62878, 62879; REPLACE SUPERSTRUCTURE ON BRIDGES 9631 AND 9632 AND RECONSTRUCT PAVEMENT FROM .024 MILES SOUTHWEST OF BRIDGES 9631 AND 9632 AND AT MARION ST (CSAH 56) IN ST PAUL - REHAB BRIDGE #62878 (MARION/CSAH 56 OVER I-94 & EB RAMP), SIGNAL REPLACEMENT ADA IMPROVEMENTS (TIE TO 6282-224)	94, AT MARION ST (CSAH 56) IN ST PAUL - REHAB BRIDGE #62878 (MARION/CSAH 56 OVER I-94 & EB RAMP), SIGNAL REPLACEMENT REPAIR, ADA IMPROVEMENTS (TIE TO 6282-216)		
Miles	3.1	0.10		
Program	Bridge Improvement and Repair	Bridge Improvement and Repair		
Type of Work	Bridge Repair	Bridge Repair		
Proposed Funds	NHPP and BFP	NHPP		
Total \$	25,365,000 <u>23,758,000</u>	2,304,000		
FHWA\$	22,828,500 <u>21,382,200</u>	1,716,300		
State \$	2,536,500 <u>2,375,800</u>	190,700		
Other \$	NA	397,000		

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This amendment is needed to drop tied SP 6282-224, combine the scope with a slight scope change into SP 6282-216, remove the local funds and reduce the total project cost.

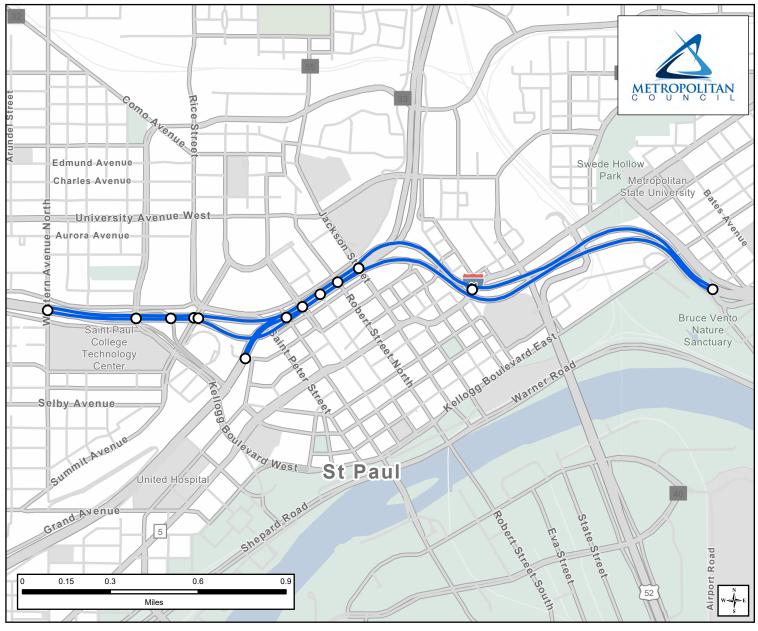
Fiscal Constraint (as required by 23 CFR 450.216)

The total project cost decreased by \$3,911,000 from \$27,669,000 to \$23,758,000. No additional federal funds are needed therefore fiscal constraint is maintained.

Consistency with MPO Long-Range Plan
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.

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Project Area

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