

**ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2017-44**

**DATE:** November 9, 2017

**TO:** Transportation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** TAC Funding and Programming Committee

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**SUBJECT:** 2018-2021 TIP Amendment: MnDOT US 169 Termini and Cost Changes

**REQUESTED ACTION:** The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) requests an amendment to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the termini and costs for two concrete overall projects on US 169 (SP # 7007-37 and SP# 7008-111).

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the TAC Funding and Programming Committee recommend to the Technical Advisory Committee approval of an amendment to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the termini and costs for two concrete overall projects on US 169 (SP # 7007-37 and SP# 7008-111).

**BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:** This amendment is needed to update two concrete pavement projects on US 169 in Scott County.

The first project, SP# 7007-37, includes a total cost decrease of \$2,914,000 and an update to the project description. The update is administrative in that it the terminus is not changing, but simply changing from its local road designation to its state highway designation.

The second project, SP# 7008-111, Includes a change to each terminus, resulting in a project length reduction from 6.4 miles to 5.5 miles. It also includes a cost increase of \$1,951,000. The cost changes for both projects are the result of MnDOT refining design plans.

**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 according to these four requirements.

The 2018-2021 TIP was approved by the Metropolitan Council on September 27 and was subsequently provided to MnDOT. It is now in federal review. Should this amendment be approved by the Metropolitan Council prior to federal approval of the 2018-2021 TIP, it will not be official until after that approval is granted.

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state 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 January 14, 2015, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on March 13, 2015. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is

exempt from air quality conformity analysis. Public input opportunity for this amendment is provided through the TAB's and the Council's regular meetings. This amendment meets the criteria using the TAB's streamlined TIP amendment process and was recommended for streamlining by the TAC Executive Committee

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**ROUTING**

<b>TO</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>	<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Release for public Comment	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Concur	
Metropolitan Council	Concur	

Please amend the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to modify the following project in program year 2018. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

SEQ #	STATE FISCAL YEAR	A	D	ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	M I L E S
1515	2018	M	M	US 169	7007-37	MNDOT	**SPP** US 169, FROM 0.3 MI NORTH OF MN 19 TO <del>0.1 MI NORTH OF ASH ST</del> <u>0.5 MI SOUTH OF MN 25</u> IN BELLE PLAINE - CONCRETE OVERLAY, CONCRETE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION, BITUMINOUS MILL AND OVERLAY AND DRAINAGE REPAIRS (TIE TO 7008-111)	7.2
1517	2018	M	M	US 169	7008-111	MNDOT	**SPP** US 169, FROM <u>0.6 MILE OF MN 25 TO 0.1 W OF MN 282</u> - CONCRETE OVERLAY, BITUMINOUS MILL AND OVERLAY, MILL BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT, MEDIAN CLOSURES, ADD U-TURNS, REDUCED CONFLICT INTERSECTION, DRAINAGE, LIGHTING AND TENSION CABLE GUARDRAIL (TIE TO 7007-34)	6.4 5.5

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
RC	UNBONDED CONCR OVL	NHPP	<del>18,665,000</del>	<del>14,932,000</del>	-	-	<del>3,733,000</del>	-
			15,751,000	12,600,800			3,150,200	
RC	CONCRETE OVERLAY	NHPP	<del>15,720,000</del>	<del>12,576,000</del>	-	-	<del>3,144,000</del>	-
			17,671,000	14,136,800			3,534,200	

**PROJECT BACKGROUND:**

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous TIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in TIP).

This amendment is needed to update two related concrete pavement projects in state fiscal year 2018 on US 169 in Scott County for cost, description, and project length. SP 7007-34 is a pavement project from the Scott County line (MN 19) to Belle Plaine, and SP 7008-111 is a pavement project from Belle Plaine to Jordan. The description SP 7007-34 needs to be updated to reflect a project terminus that is referenced to a trunk highway and not a local street. This project's total is also being reduced based on refined design plans. The savings will be used to find fiscal constraint for SP 7008-111 whose project estimate is increasing based on refined design plans. The project length for SP 7008-111 also is being

updated to reflect a shorter project length, from 6.4 miles to 5.5 miles. This is due to a more detailed description of the western termini of the project that is 3,400 ft. east of MN 25, not at the exact intersection of US 169 and MN 25 as currently stated in the TIP.

Of all the described changes, the change in termini for SP 7008-111 is the trigger for an amendment. According to MnDOT TIP/STIP Amendment Guidance, the changes to SP 7007-34's description and the change in project estimate could be completed via an administrative modification. For transparency and clarification, all the changes are bundled in this amendment.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?

- New Money
- Anticipated Advance Construction
- ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects X
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
- Other

SP 7007-34 is in the 2018-2021 TIP for \$18,665,000 (\$14,932,000 federal/\$3,733,000 state funds). Due to refining design plans, the project estimate is decreasing to \$15,751,000 (\$12,600,800 federal/\$3,150,200 state funds) leaving a remainder of \$2,904,000. SP 7008-111 is in the 2018-2021 TIP for \$15,720,000 (\$12,576,000 federal/\$3,144,000 state funds). Due to refining of design plans, the project estimate is increasing by \$1,951,000 from to \$17,671,000 (\$14,136,800 federal/\$3,534,200 state funds). The cost savings from SP 7007-34 will be used for fiscal constraint for SP 7008-111 and will fully fund the project, maintaining fiscal constraint of the TIP. The remainder of \$953,000 will be used elsewhere.

**CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:**

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on January 14, 2015, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on March 13, 2015.

**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:**

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis X\*
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

\*Exempt Project Category S-10. Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.