Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Committee Meeting Date: October 10, 2024 Date: October 17, 2024

Action Transmittal: 2024-48

Regionally Significant TIP Amendment – I-494 E-ZPass Extension and Improvements Project

To: TAC Funding and Programming Committee

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Requested Action

MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a regionally significant project to extend the E-ZPass lanes, reconstruct mainline pavement, improve drainage, and add ADA improvements on Interstate 494 from Penn Avenue to 34th Avenue.

Recommended Motion

That the TAC Funding and Programming Committee recommend to the Technical Advisory Committee adoption of an amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a regionally significant project to extend E-ZPass, reconstruct mainline pavement, improve drainage, and add ADA improvements on Interstate 494 from Penn Avenue to 34th Avenue for the purpose of release for public comment.

Background and Purpose

MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2025-2028 TIP to add its regionally significant Interstate 494 E-ZPass extension project (SP# 2785-462, SP# 2785-462AC). This project will extend the I-494 E-ZPass lanes, reconstruct mainline pavement, improve drainage, and add ADA improvements on I-494 from Penn Avenue to 34th Avenue in Richfield and Bloomington. This project is funded with \$54,700,000 of federal advanced construction funds, \$94,300,000 of Corridors of Commerce funds, and \$13,000,000 of advanced construction 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. Because the new project is regionally significant, the request is subject to a 21-day public comment period.

Staff Analysis

The TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. This project is listed in the 2040 TPP and draft 2050 TPP and 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

Date Completed Action Requested То (Date Scheduled) TAC Funding & Programming Review & Recommend October 17, 2024 Committee **Technical Advisory Committee** Review & Recommend November 6, 2024 Review & Release for November 20, Transportation Advisory Board **Public Comment** 2024 December 18, Transportation Advisory Board Review & Recommend 2024 Metropolitan Council December 23, Review & Recommend **Transportation Committee** 2024 Metropolitan Council Review & Adopt January 8, 2024

regular meetings along with the 21-day public comment period.

2025-2028 TIP AMENDMENT REQUEST

Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the below projects:

Project identification

	(SP #)	(SP #)
Seq #	TBD	TBD
State Fiscal Year (State)	2026	2027
ATP and District	METRO	METRO
Route System	1494	1494
Project Number (S.P. #)	2785-462	2785-462AC
Agency	MNDOT	MNDOT
Description	**PRS**COC3**PROTECT**AC** I494	**AC** I494 FROM PENN AVE TO
	FROM PENN AVE TO 34 TH AVE,	34 [™] AVE, MOBILITY & SAFETY
	MOBILITY & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS,	IMPROVEMENTS, RECONSTRUCT
	RECONSTRUCT MAINLINE PAVEMENT,	MAINLINE PAVEMENT, DRAINAGE,
	DRAINAGE, AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS	AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS (AC
	(AC PAYBACK SFY 2027)	PAYBACK 1 OF 1)
Miles	4.4	4.4
Program	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION
Type of Work	GRADE AND SURFACE	GRADE AND SURFACE
Proposed Funds	TH, PROTECT, COC BONDS, NHPP	TH, PROTECT, COC BONDS, NHPP
Total \$	\$149,000,000	\$13,000,000
FHWA \$	\$41,700,000	\$13,000,000
COC BONDS	\$94,300,000	NA
AC	\$13,000,000	NA

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This amendment is needed to add a new SFY26 project in the 2025-2028 TIP.

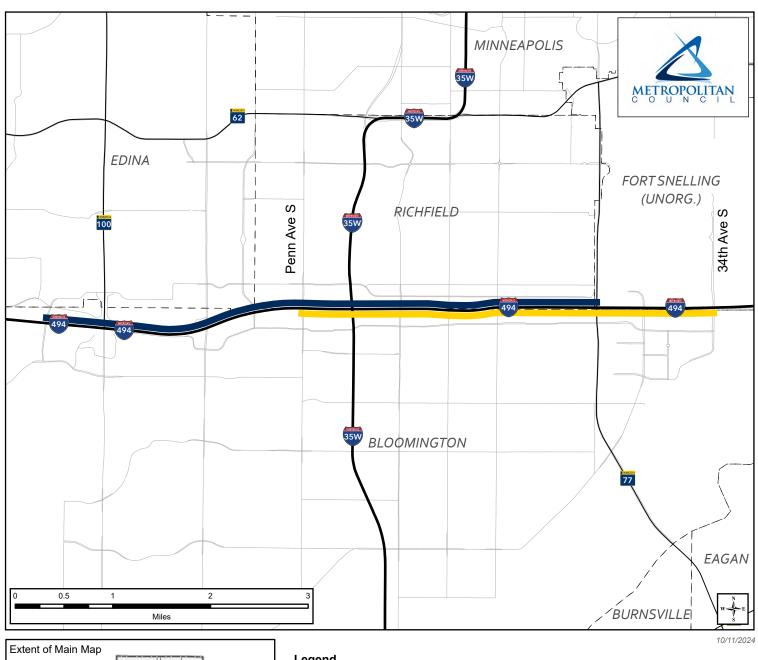
Fiscal Constraint (as required by 23 CFR 450.216)

Federal funds available from SP 880M-PRO-26, SP 880M-MO-26, SP 880M-MO-27, and COC Bonds from SP 2748-65 are sufficient to fully fund this project therefore fiscal restraint 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. The I-494 project is listed in both the 2040 TPP and draft 2050 TPP.

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Legend

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■ Phase 1 Project (Under Construction)