

Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

Transportation Committee 9/14/2020



What is a TIP?

- Four-year list of transportation projects funded in whole or part with federal funding
- Must include all projects funded with federal transportation funds and projects that affect air quality
- Required for all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)
- Incorporated into MnDOT's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Projects Included in the TIP

- Transit projects programmed by Metro Transit/Council and other transit providers with FTA formula funds
- Roadway projects programmed by MnDOT with federal funds and state funds
- Regional Solicitation Projects programmed by the Council
- Small number of projects in Sherburne/Wright Counties and Houlton, Wisconsin

Council approval is for all project types in the TIP.

Key Criteria for TIP and Amendment Approvals

- Fiscally balanced (Consistent with expected funding levels)
- Consistent with Regional Transportation Plan (TRP)
- In conformity with Clean Air Act requirements
- Opportunity for public input

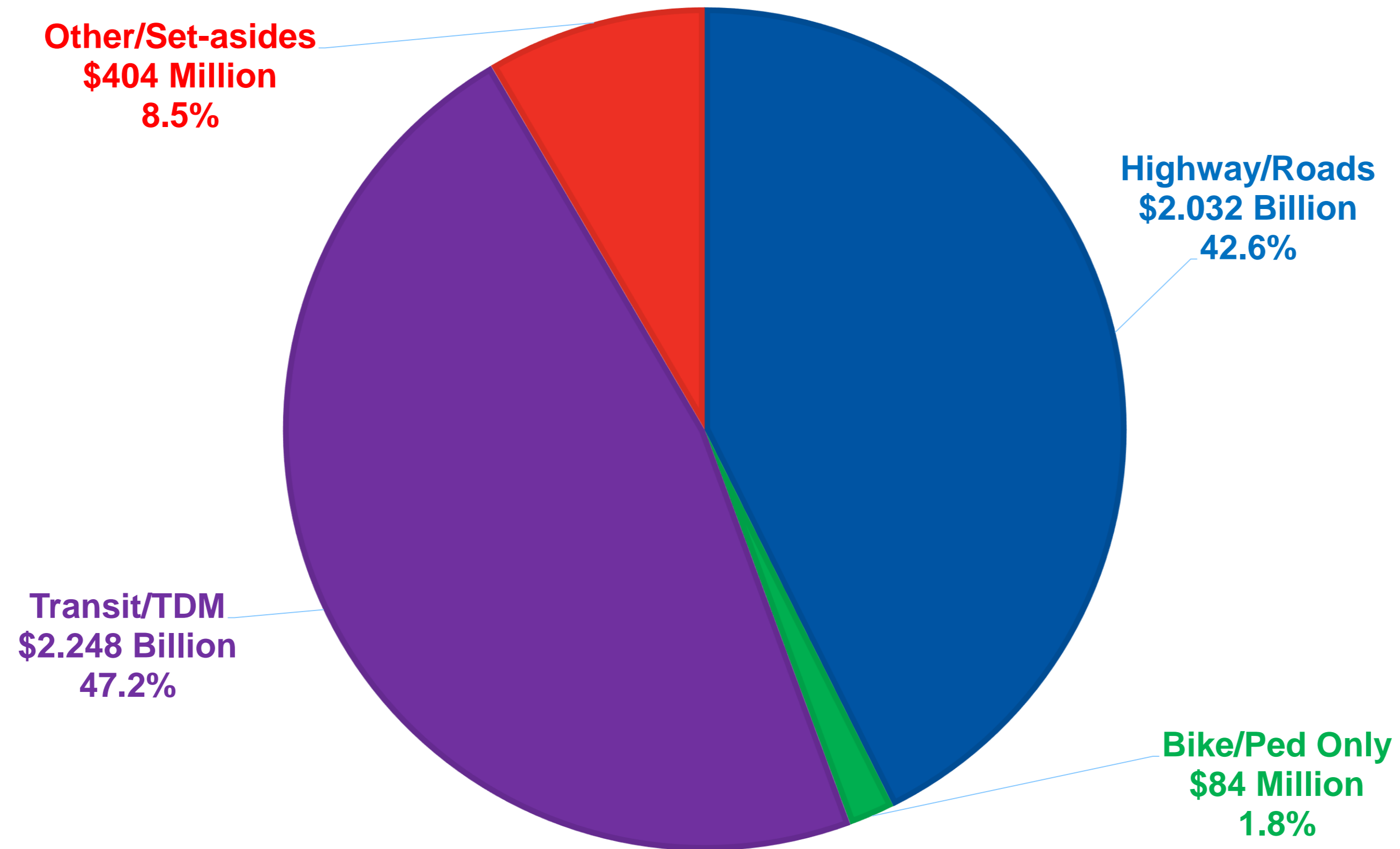
Schedule for 2021-2024 TIP

- TAB approved draft for public review – June 18, 2020
- Public review/comment period ends – August 6, 2020
- TAB acceptance of comments, recommendation – August 19, 2020
- **Transportation Committee recommendation – September 14, 2020**
- Metropolitan Council approval – September 23, 2020
- MnDOT inclusion into STIP – September/October 2020
- Federal approvals – November/December 2020

Source of Funds; Four-Year Summary

- Federal Highway – \$1.3 Billion
- Federal Transit – \$1.2 Billion
- Property and State Taxes – \$1.7 Billion
- MN Trunk Highway – \$515 Million
- **TOTAL – \$4.7 Billion**

Programmed Funds by Mode



Questions

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Public comment report

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TIP public comment summary

People engaged	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Web pages – 854 unique visitors• Facebook reach – 1,805 users• Facebook engagement – 57 users• Twitter engagement – 35 users
Stakeholders involved	More than 200 over 400 comments
Meetings/interactions	Transportation committee public meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 21 attendees, 3 speakers
Interest groups and agencies engaged	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BikeMN• Fresh Energy• Metro Transit• Minnesota Department of Transportation• Move Minnesota• Saint Paul Bicycle Coalition• Sierra Club• Washington County
Methods used	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Web announcement and web page notice• GovDelivery email announcement• Facebook• Twitter• Star Tribune classified advertising• Public meeting
Comments received through	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Email• Mail• Public meeting

Key engagement themes

- Racial equity and climate justice impacts should be included in project decisions that appear in the Transportation Improvement Program.
- Expanding roadways and highways (including HOV lanes) contributes to climate change. Focus investments instead on reducing emissions and vehicle miles traveled.
- Prioritize investments in clean transportation solutions including electric vehicles, transit and active transportation.
- Parking has many negative effects including reduced housing affordability, flooding, air pollution, and urban heat island effect.
- Some residents in the Northeast suburbs are opposed to both the Rush Line itself or the current alignment.