

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: November 22, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 8, 2021

Subject: 2022-2025 TIP Amendment: MN 3 Railroad Bridge Funding

District(s), Member(s): 13 – Lee

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2022-2025 TIP to increase the cost of MnDOT's railroad bridge rehabilitation project.

Background

This request is to increase funding for MnDOT's MN 3/George St. rehabilitation of two bridges.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meet fiscal constraint because the federal, state, and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the projects are exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *livability* by enabling the rehabilitation of two bridges.

Funding

The project is fully funded with federal and state funds.

Small Business Inclusion

This project includes federal funding. Therefore, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements will apply

Known Support / Opposition

This proposed action was reviewed and recommended by the Transportation Advisory Board. No known opposition.

Please amend the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend this project in program year 2022. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

State Fiscal Year	ATP/ Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description	Miles
2022	M	MN 3	6217-52	MnDOT	MN 3, at George St and at the Union Pacific railroad bridge in St Paul – Rehab Bridges 62050 and 90381	.49

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	Federal \$	TH \$	Other
BR	Bridge Rehab	STP	1,027,000 <u>1,878,000</u>	821,600 <u>1,502,400</u>	205,400 <u>375,600</u>	NA

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

- 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 increase the total project cost. The scope remains the same.

- 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
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other X

The additional federal funds are coming from MnDOT under programming FY22 federal target by \$31M. 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.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

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

*Exempt Project Category S-19. Widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes) per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.