

Business Item

Transportation Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: April 12, 2023

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2023-2026 TIP Amendment: US 8 Reconstruction

District(s), Member(s): 12 – Cederberg

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 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a project reconstruction US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Washington and Chisago counties.

Background

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) currently includes a project reconstruction and expansion of US 8 (Lake Blvd) in Chisago County. MnDOT wishes to expand the cost and termini of the project, with the southern end being extended to Forest Lake in Washington County. Because this is in the Twin Cities MPO area, the project must be included in the TIP. The project expansion is funded through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *livability* by improving a greater length of roadway connecting into the region.

Funding

The projects are fully funded with federal and local funds.

Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2024. This project is being submitted with the following information:

(Note: entire project is new to the TIP; cost, description, and mileage changes reflect changes to the project in the STIP.)

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP/Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2024	M	Highway US 8	013-596-010	Chisago County	Chisago County Line to 0.76 mi E Greenway Ave N I-35 to Chisago County Line in Forest Lake – **CDS** US 8 (Lake Blvd), from Chisago Co Line in Wyoming to Karmel Ave/Wyoming Ave in Chisago City - Reconstruct and US 8 (Lake Blvd) from Chisago Co Line in Wyoming to Karmel Ave/Wyoming Ave in Chisago City - Expansion of two lane undivided to four-lane divided roadway, SIGNALS, with intersection improvements at Greenway and trail along north side US8

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
0.8 8.26	MC	Major Const	Demo	10,000,000 80,000,000	0 3,000,000	10,000,000 77,000,000

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 add this project to the TIP and to amend it in the STIP. The project exists in the STIP and needs to be amended to update the project termini and costs. Because the southern end of the project is proposed for expansion into the Twin Cities MPO area, it must be added to the TIP. Once added to the TIP, it will also be adjusted in the STIP. The project expansion is funded by an award from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

- How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?
 - New Money X
 - Anticipated Advance Construction
 - ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other

DEMO funds are in addition to federal funded targets 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.

US-8 Reconstruction & Expansion TIP Amendment

 Proposed Amendment

