

Corridor Management Committee

January 2, 2013















Today's Topics

- Preliminary Engineering Consultants Contract Awards
- Peer Review Consultant Contract Request for Proposal (RFP)
- Environmental Program Update
 - Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) Public
 Comment Period Ended
 - Responsible Government Unit (RGU) Authority Transfer to Met Council
 - Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) RFP
- 2013 Project Look Ahead



Preliminary Engineering Consultants Contract Awards







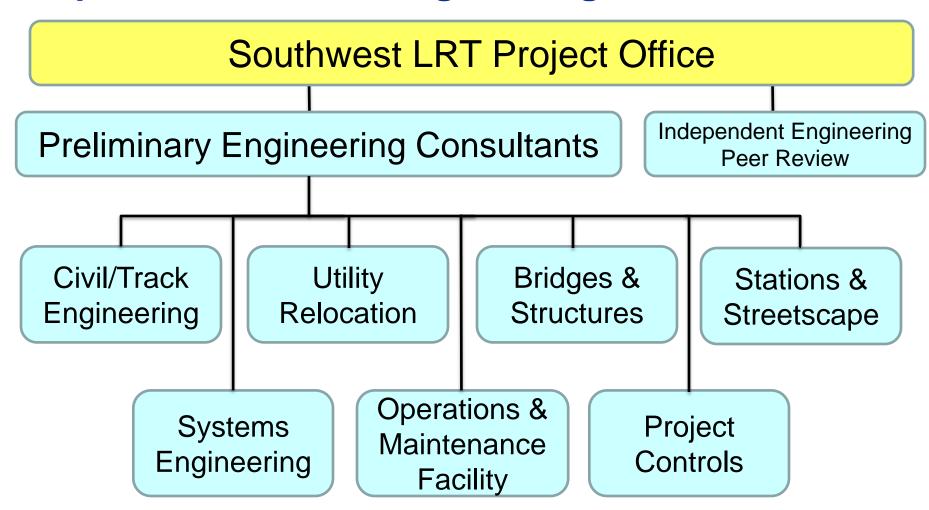








Preliminary Engineering Consultants Scope of Work - 30% Engineering





Preliminary Engineering Consultants Procurement Schedule

Major Milestones	Dates
Advertise RFPs	August 17, 2012
Hold pre-proposal conferences	September 6, 2012
Receive proposals	October 2, 2012
Interview proposers	Oct 30 – Nov 2, 2012
Conduct proposal evaluations/negotiations	Nov - Dec 2012
Award & sign contracts / Issue Notices-to-Proceed	December 19, 2012



Preliminary Engineering Consultants Procurement Process – Evaluation Panels

- Consists of six members for each procurement
 - Southwest LRT Project Office (2)
 - Light Rail Operations
 - MnDOT
 - Hennepin County
 - Community Works
- Identifies most qualified proposer
- Provides recommendation to the Council



Preliminary Engineering Consultants (PEC) Procurement Process – Technical Advisory Groups

Consists of six members for each procurement

PEC West

- Southwest LRT Project Office Southwest LRT Project Office
- MnDOT
- Eden Prairie
- Hopkins
- Minnetonka
- Metropolitan Transportation Services

PEC East

- MnDOT
- Hopkins
- Minneapolis
- St. Louis Park
- Three Rivers Park District
- Provides technical review and input

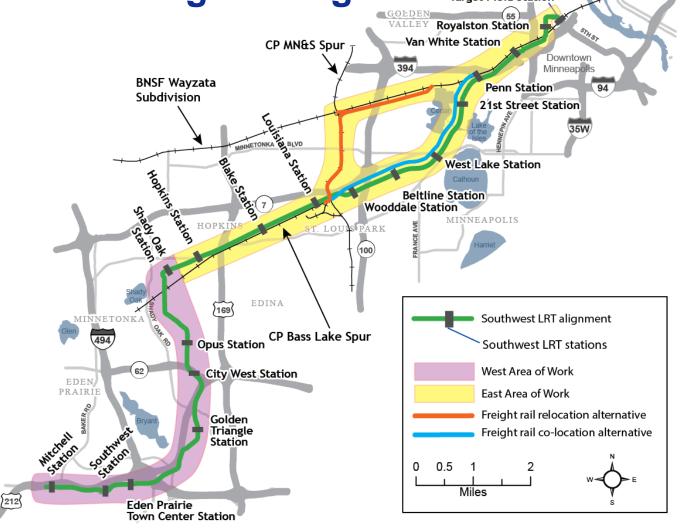


Preliminary Engineering Consultants

Scope of Work - 30% Engineering

Target Field Station

Full SWLRT Alignment



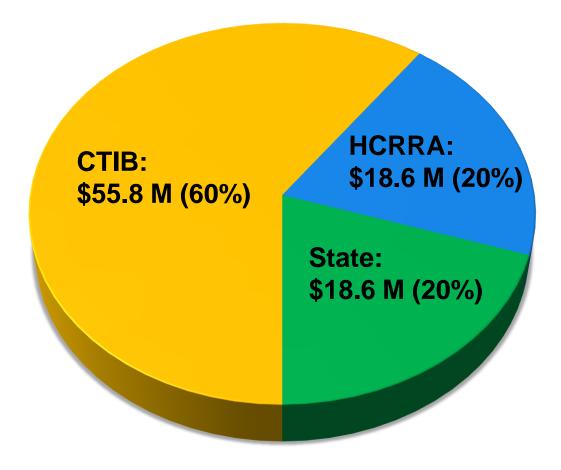


Preliminary Engineering Consultants December 19, 2012 Council actions:

- Awarded PEC West contract to AECOM
 - Contract amount not-to-exceed \$16,787,963
 - Proposal achieves 17% DBE goal
- Awarded PEC East contract to Kimley-Horn and Associates
 - Contract amount not-to-exceed \$16,788,349
 - Proposal achieves 17% DBE goal



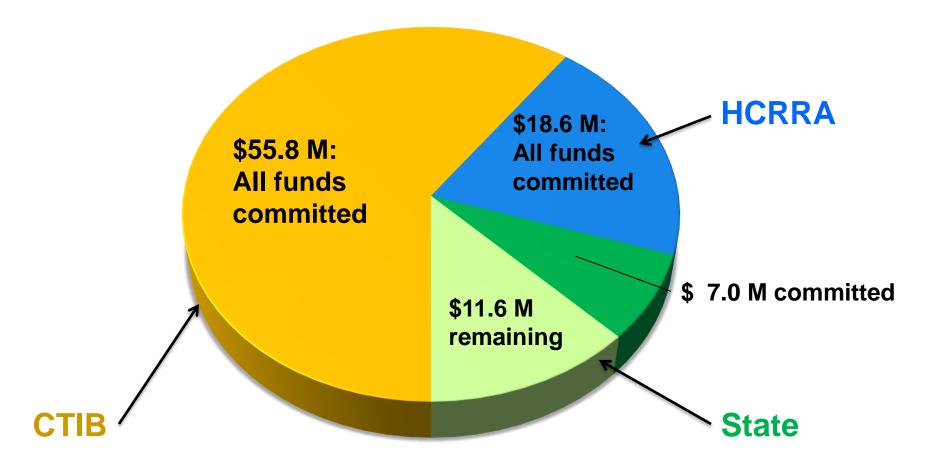
Preliminary Engineering Local Funding: Sources



Total PE budget: \$93 million



Preliminary Engineering Local Funding: Commitments



Total PE budget: \$93 million



Funding for Preliminary Engineering Consultants

Funding for PE

\$81.4 MM

Amount expended to date*

\$3.8 MM

Balance available for PE

\$77.6 MM

- Planned expenditures
 - Complete 30% engineering

\$33.6 MM

^{*} As of November 30, 2012



Peer Review Consultant Contract Request for Proposal (RFP)















Peer Review Consultant (PRC) Procurement Schedule

Major Milestones	Dates
Advertise RFP	12/14/12
Hold pre-proposal conference	1/23/2013
Receive proposals	3/14/13
Interview proposers	Apr 2013
Conduct proposal evaluations/negotiation	Apr 2013
Award & sign contract	May 2013



PRC – Scope of Work

- Complete engineering reviews on plans, calculations and specifications.
 - 30% Design
 - 60% Design
 - 90% Design
- Conduct spot reviews on engineering work products



PRC – Independent Reviews

- Activities managed by the SPO Deputy Project Director
- Precluded from participating on any other SWLRT consulting contracts
- SPO will make final determination on PRC reviews and recommendations



Environmental Program Update















Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
Oct 12, 2012	EPA published NOA in Federal Register
Nov 13, 2012	Public Hearing – Hennepin County Government Center, A-2400
Nov 14, 2012	Public Hearing – St. Louis Park City Hall
Nov 29, 2012	Public Hearing – Eden Prairie City Hall
Dec 7, 2012	Comment period extension in Federal Register
Dec 31, 2012	DEIS public comment period closed



DEIS Public Hearing

Dates and locations:

- 11/13/12, Hennepin County Government Center, A-2400
 4:00 to 5:00 PM, public open house (Public Service Level)
 4:30 PM, Formal Public Hearing
- 11/14/12, St. Louis Park City Hall, 5005 Minnetonka Blvd
 5:00 to 6:00 PM, public open house
 6:00 PM, Formal Public Hearing
- 11/29/12, Eden Prairie City Hall, 8080 Mitchell Road
 5:00 to 6:00 PM, public open house
 6:00 PM, Formal Public Hearing



DEIS Summary of Comments

- 441 comments received as of December 13
 - 338 written comments (email, postal mail, comment cards)
 - 103 verbal comments received during public hearings
 - Minneapolis 22 comments
 - St. Louis Park 52 comments
 - Eden Prairie 29 comments
- Examples of themes
 - Freight rail
 - Impacts to businesses

- Impacts to traffic
- Impacts to trails



DEIS Public Comment Process

- Hennepin County collected comments
- Upon the close of the comment period, Hennepin County to turn over all comments received to the Council
- SPO is using Project Management Software, e-Builder, to capture comments and track analysis and responses during Final EIS (FEIS) development
- FTA and the Council will consider all comments submitted and provide responses to substantive comments in the FEIS



Responsible Government Unit Authority

- Responsible Government Unit (RGU) authority transferred from HCRRA to Council on December 31, 2012
 - Required under Minnesota Environmental Policy Act (MEPA)
 - Assigned to the government unit with greatest authority over project
 - Council responsible for environmental process, including development of FEIS
 - Council and HCRRA approved transfer effective as of close of comment period
 - Notice will be published in Environmental Quality Board (EQB)
 Monitor on January 7, 2013



Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) Consultant - Procurement Schedule

Major Milestones	Dates
Advertise RFP	Dec 2012/Jan 2013
Proposals Due	Jan/Feb 2013
Interview proposers	Feb 2013
Proposal evaluations / negotiations	Mar/Apr 2013
Contract Award / Notice to Proceed	May 2013



FEIS Consultant – Scope of Work

- Prepare FEIS
- Support Agency Coordination Activities
- Support Public Involvement Activities
- Support Environmental Permitting Activities



2013 Project Look Ahead















Project Development Overview

2011 2012

2013

Entry into

2014

Municipal Consent 30% Design

% Design Final Design

Preliminary Engineering

October - December 2012: DEIS Comment Period

FTA Record of Decision (ROD)

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)

Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)

SWLRT Community Works Project

Community Works Steering Cmte, CMC, BAC, CAC

SWLRT Community Works Project

National & Minnesota

Environmental Policy

Acts (NEPA & MEPA)

Project

Development

Public Involvement















PE Activities – Engineering & Design

Key Tasks

- Conduct Geotechnical and Field Survey Work
- Resolve Design Challenges and Technical Issues
- Prepare Municipal Consent Plans
- Prepare 30% Design Plans and Specs

Key Milestones

- Q3 2013: Submit Municipal Consent Plans for Agency Review
- Q4 2013: Complete Municipal Consent Approval Process
- Q1 2014: Finalize 30% Design Plans and Specs



PE Activities – Environmental

Key Tasks

- Prepare FEIS
- Conduct Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
- Conduct Phase II Archaeological Survey
- Conduct Architectural/Historic Structures Survey

Key Milestones

- Q2 2013: Issue NTP for FEIS Consultant
- Q4 2013: Complete Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
- Q4 2013: Complete Phase II Archaeological Survey
- Q4 2013: Complete Architectural / Historic Structures Survey
- Q3 2014: FTA issues Record of Decision (ROD)



PE Activities – Project Wide

Key Tasks

- Revise New Starts Application
- Update Management Plans
- Update Ridership and Financial Forecasts

Key Milestones

- Q3 2013: Submit New Starts Update for FFY 2015 to FTA
- Q2 2014: Request Entry into Final Design
- Q4 2014: Complete Preliminary Engineering / Enter Final Design



2013 Key Issues/Decisions

- Freight Rail Co-Location and Relocation
- Eden Prairie Alignment Alternatives
- Operations and Maintenance Facility



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