

Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2010-27

DATE: April 14, 2010
TO: Transportation Advisory Board
FROM: Technical Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment to include Scenic Byways funds received in the 2009 Solicitation of Scenic Byway Funds.

MOTION: That the TAB amends the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to identify Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board SP #91-060-97 Grand Rounds; Mississippi Gorge Parking/Overlook.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This TIP amendment is being requested in order to add a total of \$187,500 for planning for the Mississippi Gorge Parking/Overlook. \$150,000 of the total are earmarked scenic byway funds and \$37,500 is local match.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	March 18, 2010
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	April 7, 2010
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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March 18, 2010

Karl Keel, Chair
 TAC Funding and Programming Committee
 Metropolitan Council
 230 East Fifth St.
 Mears Park Centre
 St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Re: Amendment to the Twin Cities 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 State Project Number: 91-060-97 Grand Rounds: Mississippi Gorge – Parking/Overlook

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please amend the 2010 – 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in 2010. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

STATE FISCAL YEAR	ATP	DIST	ROUTE SYS	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	MILES
2010	M	M	Local	91-060-97 Fed. MNSB908	Mpls Park & Recreation Board	Minneapolis Grand Rounds: Mississippi Gorge-Parking/Overlook	0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA Target	HPP \$	Earmark \$	FHWA Target AC \$	HPP AC \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
PL	Planning	SB	187,500	0	0	150,000	0	0	0	37,500 (Local match)

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous STIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in STIP).

This amendment is needed to identify Scenic Byway funds that were received in the 2009 Solicitation of Scenic Byway Funds.

2. 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 Mn/DOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint* X
 - Other**

*2009 Scenic Byway funding

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis* X
- Exempt from project level analysis* X
- Exempt by virtue of interagency consultation
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

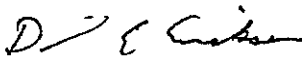
Project Exemption category: S-15 Safety and Roadside Rest Areas pursuant to titles 23 and 49U.S.C. federal-aid systems revisions.

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted on January 14, 2009, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on September 16, 2009.

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Erickson at 651.234.7763.

Sincerely,



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Metro District State Aid Engineer

C: Sherry Narusiewicz, Metro Investment Management
Cindy Krumsieg, Metro Investment Management