Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

TO: Transportation Advisory Board

FROM: Kevin Roggenbuck, Transportation Coordinator

DATE: December 2, 2010

RE: Notice of two regionally selected projects withdrawn from the TIP and STIP.

Attached to this cover memo is a letter from Hennepin County informing the TAB that they have ended project development efforts on two regionally selected bridge projects and request that both projects be dropped from the TIP and STIP. According to adopted regional policy, when regionally selected projects are dropped from the Program, the federal funds are first applied to the amount of overprogramming in the local program of projects; those awarded funding by the TAB.

In the 2009 regional solicitation, the TAB overprogrammed by \$8,323,076. Since the TIP and STIP must be fiscally balanced, MN/DOT programmed \$8.3 million less in federally funded projects. The combined federal amount of \$2,875,847 from the two Hennepin County bridge projects should be applied to the local overprogramming amount, leaving a balance of \$5,447,229. If no other regionally selected projects are dropped from the Program prior to the start of the 2011 regional solicitation, the overprogramming balance will be deducted from the 2011 regional solicitation.

Staff will bring this item through the TAC and TAB for information, then transmit the Hennepin County letter to MN/DOT Metro Program Management. By doing so, we can jointly track the local program of projects and re-allocate federal funds from dropped local projects according to adopted regional policy.

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Mr. William Hargis Transportation Advisory Board Chair Twin Cities Metropolitan Council 390 Robert Street North Saint Paul, MN 55101

Re: Federal Funds for Hennepin County Projects - SP 27-635-26 and SP 27-752-18:

For the projects listed below, Hennepin County has suspended its project development efforts and requests that the Metropolitan Council remove them from the Surface Transportation Program. We have ended our project development efforts and are forgoing these funds because of difficulties with accomplishing the projects' goals and purposes. This is due to the historic designation of the corridor and the inability of Hennepin and the State Historic Preservation Office to reach a mutual understanding of the projects' goals and purposes.

State Project Number/County Project Number	Project Location	Project Description	FHWA dollars (2010-2013 STIP)	STIP Year	Mn/DOT Federal Aid Project Manager
SP 27-635-26 CP 0406	Bridge # 90494 carrying CSAH 35 (Portland Avenue South) over the Midtown Greenway Corridor in South Minneapolis	Replacement of Bridge Number 90494	\$1,505,326	2011	Colleen VanWagner
SP 27-752-18 CP 0407	Bridge Number 90437 carrying CSAH 152 (Cedar Avenue South) over the Midtown Greenway Corridor in South Minneapolis	Replacement of Bridge Number 90437	\$1,370,521	2011	Dmitry Tomasevich

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Thank you for your acceptance of this request. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at james.grube@co.hennepin.mn.us or at 612 596 0307

Sincerely,

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