

T Transportation Committee
Meeting date: January 31, 2011
Council meeting: February 9, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: January 20, 2011
Subject: 2011-2014 TIP Amendment: Include MnDOT SP# 2785-362: Nicollet Ave. Bridge repairs (TAB Action 2011-8)
District(s), Member(s): District 5 - Bowles
Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented: Arlene McCarthy, Director (651-602-1754)
Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Finance & Planning (651-602-1058)
Carl Ohrn, Planning Analyst (651-602-1719)
Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include MnDOT SP#2785-362: Nicollet Avenue Bridge in Bloomington.

Background

This project is currently in the TIP using state funds. The state funding for this project is being replaced with federal funds that are available due to recent savings from project bids that came in below estimate. The TAB adopted this TIP amendment at its January 10, 2011 meeting.

Rationale

In order to spend Federal Transportation Funds, the project and its funding source must be accurately described in the current TIP.

Funding

This project will now be funded with 80% Federal Funds which are available due to low bids, instead of State Funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No opposition was presented at either the TAC or the TAB meetings.

Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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Chair

January 20, 2011

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Susan Haigh, Chair
Metropolitan Council
390 Robert Street No.
St. Paul, MN 55101

Ms. Haigh,

On January 19, 2011, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program to include SP#2785-362: Nicollet Avenue Bridge in Bloomington.


This project was originally funded using state funds. Due to a shortage of State Funds in SFY 2011, MN/DOT has decided to change the funding type for this project, which is federally eligible, to Interstate Maintenance federal funds. The federal funds available on this project are due to a savings from a SFY 2011 project to mill and overlay I-35 from TH 8 to TH 95, let on October 22, 2010. This is one project that will be funded using the available funds from the savings on this project.

The TAB forwards the TIP amendment action to the Metropolitan Council along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2011-08.

Sincerely,

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Transportation Advisory Board
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ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2011-08

DATE: January 20, 2011
TO: Metropolitan Council
FROM: Transportation Advisory Board
SUBJECT: 2011-2014 TIP Amendment Request for MN/DOT SP#2785-362: Nicollet Avenue Bridge in Bloomington.
MOTION: The TAB adopted an amendment to the 2011-2014 TIP to include MN/DOT SP#2785-362: Nicollet Avenue Bridge in Bloomington.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This project was originally funded using state funds. Due to a shortage of State Funds in SFY 2011, MN/DOT has decided to change the funding type for this project, which is federally eligible, to Interstate Maintenance federal funds. The federal funds available on this project are due to a savings from a SFY 2011 project to mill and overlay I-35 from TH 8 to TH 95, let on October 22, 2010. This is one project that will be funded using the available funds from the savings on this project.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	December 16, 2010
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	January 5, 2011
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	January 19, 2011
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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December 16, 2010

Karl Keel, Chair
 TAC Funding and Programming Committee
 Metropolitan Council
 390 N. Robert St.
 St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

RE: Amendment to the Minnesota 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 State Project Number: 2785-362 – Nicollet Ave. Br. In Bloomington
 Federal Project Number:

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please amend the Minnesota 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the following new project in SFY 2011 of the TIP. The project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

SEQ #	STATE FISCAL YEAR	A T P	D I S T	ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	MILES
	2011	M	M	I494	2785-362	MnDOT	I494 at Nicollet Ave in Bloomington – deck repair on Nicollet Ave Br#9077 and misc. maintenance work including stairway repair, chain link enclosure replacement and bridge painting on pedestrian bridge #9078.	0.0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
BI	Bridge Repair	IM	625,000	315,000	0	0	310,000	0

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PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. 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).

Project 2785-362 was identified as one project included in SFY 2011 880M-SAS-11 (Seq. #1562) District wide setasides. Originally the project was funded with 100% state funds. However, due to a shortage in State Funds in SFY 2011, Metro District has decided to change the funding type for this project, which is federal fund eligible, to use available Interstate Maintenance federal funds.

This amendment is needed to add project 2785-362 to SFY 2011 of the 2011-2014 STIP and identify the funding as federal funds.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?

- New Money – (indicate type here) _____
(Discretionary, Special Allocations or Other New Funding Sources)
- Anticipated Advance Construction _____
- ATP or MPO or Mn/DOT Adjustment _____
of other projects* X
- Earmark or HPP federal funds outside ATP _____
target _____
- Other _____

* The \$315K federal funds needed for this project are available due to a savings on SFY 2011 project 1380-63 – Mill and overlay on I-35 from TH 8 to TH 95 that was let on October 22, 2010. The project was identified in the TIP with \$16.185M total cost (\$15.367M federal funds(\$8M ARRA, \$7.367 IM)). The bid for the project was \$9.1M total cost and funded with 100% ARRA funds (\$8M in STIP; \$1.1ARRA from Dist. C). This left approximately \$7.367M federal funds in SFY 2011. A portion of these savings have been used on project 1981-120(I35W - \$1.62M) and 1308-21(TH 8-\$1.44M) and 8825-417 (Fiber Optics-\$200K) leaving \$4.107 M available to use on this project as well as others.



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. The amendment is also consistent with the 2030 Policy Plan update adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 10, 2010 and transmitted to MnDOT on November 22, 2010 for transmittal to USDOT for a conformity determination.

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) _____

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

We are requesting approval of this STIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please call me at (651) 234-7793.

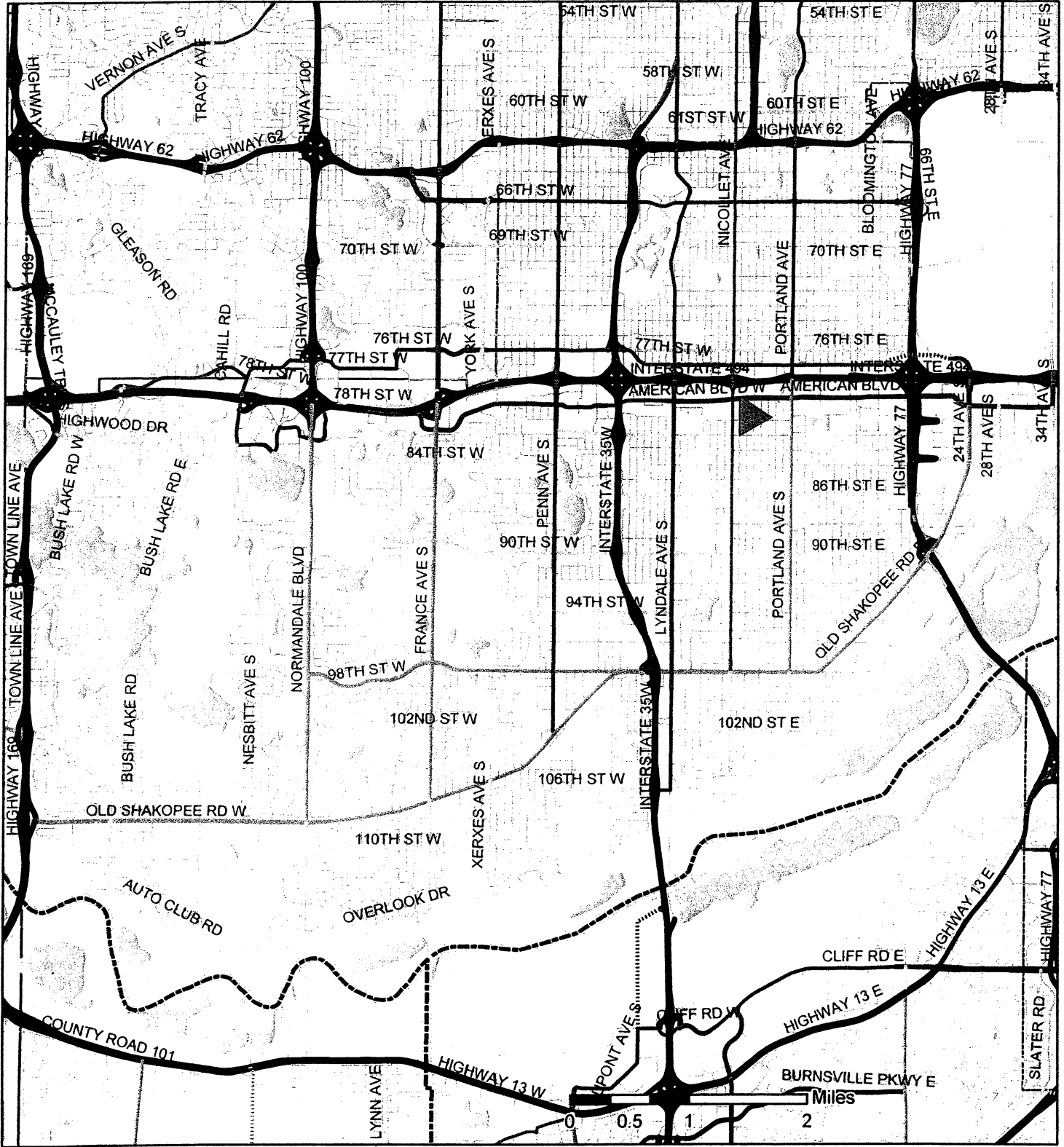
Sincerely,



Sherry Narusiewicz
Planning Program Coordinator
Metro District

cc: Cindy Krumsieg, Metro Program Management





Existing Regional Functional Class Roads

- Principal Arterial
- B Minor
- Major Collector
- Minor Collector
- A Minor Augmentor
- A Minor Reliever
- A Minor Expander
- A Minor Connector

Planned Regional Functional Class Roads

- Principal Arterial
- B Minor
- Major Collector
- Minor Collector
- A Minor Augmentor
- A Minor Reliever
- A Minor Expander
- A Minor Connector



City / Township Boundaries

TLG Street Centerlines

County Boundaries