Committee Report

Transportation Committee

Item: 2011-84 Consent

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 13, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date March 29, 2011 Prepared: Subject: 2011-2014 TIP Amendment: Add Metro Transit FTA 5309 Funding for Construction of a New Paint Booth (TAB Action 2011-31)

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to adopt an amendment to the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that adds a Metro Transit FTA 5309 Funding for Construction of a new paint booth at the existing Overhaul Base Maintenance Facility.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Carl Ohrn, MTS Planning Analyst, presented this item. There were no questions from committee members.

Motion by Reynoso, seconded by Duininck and passed unanimously.

Hearing no objection, Chair Elkins stated that this item could proceed to the full Council as a consent item.

Business Item

Item: 2011-84

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: March 28, 2011

Metropolitan Council meeting: April 13, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	March 17, 2011
Subject:	2011-2014 TIP Amendment: Add Metro Transit FTA Section
	5309 Funding for Construction of a New Paint Booth (TAB
	Action 2011-31)
District(s), Member(s):	District 14 - Commers
Policy/Legal Reference:	TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651-602-1754)
	Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Finance & Planning 651-602-
	1058)
	Carl Ohrn, Planning Analyst (651-602-1719)
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to adopt an amendment to the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that adds Metro Transit Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5309 funding for construction of a new paint booth at the existing Overhaul Base Maintenance Facility.

Background

Metro Transit received Section 5309 federal discretionary funds as part of the FTA State of Good Repair grant program for a new paint booth.

Rationale

In order to use federal transportation funds, a project must be in the current TIP.

Funding

Metro Transit was awarded \$1,600,000 in Section 5309 discretionary funds which will be matched with \$400,000 of Regional Transit Capital (RTC) Funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No opposition was presented at the TAC or the TAB.

Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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

Ms. Haigh,

On March 16, 2011, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program to add FTA 5309 Funding for Construction of a new paint booth at the existing Overhaul Base Maintenance Facility.

This project has received FTA 5309 discretionary funds as part of the State of Good Repair Grant. These funds will go toward design and construction of a new paint booth to replace the existing one, thereby improving maintenance operations by providing more efficient systems and increase capacity for painting buses.

The TAB forwards the TIP amendment action to the Metropolitan Council along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2011-31.

Sincerely,

Kerin Rogenbuch Bill Hargis,

Bill Hargi Chair of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2011-31

DATE: March 23, 2011

TO: Metropolitan Council

FROM: Transportation Advisory Board

- **SUBJECT:** TIP Amendment Request for Metro Transit Project to Construct New Paint Booth.
- **MOTION:** The TAB adopted an amendment to the 2011-2014 TIP that adds a Metro Transit FTA 5309 Funding for Construction of a new paint booth at the existing Overhaul Base Maintenance Facility.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This project has received FTA 5309 discretionary funds as part of the State of Good Repair Grant. These funds will go toward design and construction of a new paint booth to replace the existing paint both, which will improve maintenance operations by providing more efficient systems and increase capacity for painting buses. This is new money and is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

ТО	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	February 17, 2011
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	March 2, 2011
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	March 16, 2011
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	March 16, 2011
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	

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February 8, 2011

Karl Keel, Chair TAC Funding & Programming Committee 390 North Robert Street St. Paul MN 55101

Re: TIP/STIP Amendment to add FTA Sect 5309 Discretionary Award Funds for the Overhaul Base Facility Renovations – Paint Booth

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please consider this formal request from Metro Transit to amend the Minnesota 2011 - 2014Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities, Minnesota. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

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STATE	ATP	DIST	ROUTE	PROJECTNU	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES
FISCAL			SYSTEM	MBER(S.P. #)			
YEAR							
2011	М	М	BB		Met	Section 5309: Overhaul Base	0
					Council -	Construct new paint booth at	
					MT	existing Overhaul Base	
						Maintenance Facility	

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUND S	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	ТН \$	OTHER \$
B3	Bus Grant Capital Improvement	FTA	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,600,000	\$0	\$400,000 (Regional Transit capital)

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).

This project has received FTA 5309 discretionary funds as part of the State of Good Repair Grant. These funds will allow for the design and construction of a new paint booth to replace the existing paint booth. This will improve maintenance operations by providing more efficient systems and increase capacity for painting buses. This project will be designed and constructed in conjunction with other proposed Overhaul Base renovations that are currently included in the TIP in order to achieve economic efficiencies.

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- 2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?
 - New Money- FTA State of Good Repair Grant Funds
 X
 - Anticipated Advance Construction
 - ATP or MPO or Mn/DOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects

These funds are in addition to the regular federal formula funding. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

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

*Project Category NC – Non-Classifiable Projects were evaluated through an interagency consultation process and determined not to fit into any exempt nor intersection-level analysis category, but they are clearly not of a nature which would require inclusion in a regional air quality analysis.

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.

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please call me at (612) 349-7689. Metro Transit staff will be available for questions at your January meeting.

Sincerely,

Thomas F. Thorstenson Director, Engineering & Facilities

cc: Sherry Narusiewicz, Mn/DOT Mary Gustafson, Metro Transit Brian Lamb, Metro Transit James Andrew, Metropolitan Council