

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: June 22, 2009

Council meeting: July 8, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	June 18, 2009
Subject:	2009-2012 TIP Amendment for Five Projects in the Federal Appropriations Act – TAB Action 2009-39
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651-602-1754) Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Planning & Finance MTS (651-602-1058) Carl Ohrn, Planning Analyst MTS (651-602-1719)
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council Concur with Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include five projects that have received 2009 appropriation funds.

Background

Annually, Congress approves an Appropriation Bill that includes funds for specific projects. The five projects that received funding are:

- Lowry Ave. Bridge Replacement in Minneapolis
- Snelling Ave. Pedestrian Median in St. Paul
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, right-of-way acquisition
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, preliminary engineering
- I-35W N. Congestion Mitigation and Design.

Rationale

The projects must be in the current TIP to spend federal funds.

Funding

The fiscal balance of the TIP is maintained by adding new funds.

Known Support / Opposition

There was no opposition to the projects presented at the TAC or TAB.

Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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June 17, 2009

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Mr. Bell,

On June 17, 2009, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the following five projects that have received 2009 Appropriation earmark funds:

- Lowry Ave. Bridge Replacement in Minneapolis,
- Snelling Ave. Pedestrian Median in St. Paul;
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, Right-of-way acquisition
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, Preliminary Engineering and
- I-35W N. Congestion Mitigation and Design

The TAB forwards this action to the Metropolitan Council for concurrence along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2009-39.

Sincerely,


for Bill Hargis
Acting Chair

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Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2009-39

DATE: June 17, 2009
TO: Metropolitan Council
FROM: Transportation Advisory Board
SUBJECT: 2009-2010 TIP Amendment for Five Projects in the Federal Appropriations Act

MOTION: The TAB amended the 2009-2012 TIP to include the following five projects that have received 2009 Appropriation earmark funds:

- Lowry Ave. Bridge Replacement in Minneapolis,
- Snelling Ave. Pedestrian Median in St. Paul;
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, Right-of-way acquisition
- TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49th Ave. in Columbia Heights, Preliminary Engineering and
- I-35W N. Congestion Mitigation and Design

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:

Annually, Congress approves an Appropriation Bill that includes funds for specific projects. The 2009 appropriation bill was recently passed and signed by the President. Funds should be coming to Minnesota in the near future and the project proposers have indicated they would like to utilize the funds early in SFY 2010.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	May 21, 2009
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	June 3, 2009
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	June 17, 2009
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	June 17, 2009
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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May 21, 2009

Karl Keel, Chair.
Transportation Advisory Committee
Metropolitan Council
230 East Fifth St.
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St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Re: Amendment to the Twin Cities 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
State Project Number: **See Attached Table**

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please amend the 2009 – 2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include these projects in 2010. These projects are being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

See Attached Table

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).

Annually Congress approves an Appropriation Bill that includes funds for specific projects. The 2009 Appropriation Bill was recently passed and signed by the President. Funds should be coming to Minnesota in the near future and the project proposers have indicated they would like to utilize the funds early in SFY 2010. This amendment is needed to add four projects that have received 2009 Appropriation earmark funds.

Karl Keel
May 21, 2009
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2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?

- New Money _____
- 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 Appropriation Bill earmark funds

3. AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

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

* Exemption codes identified on attached chart:

- S-19 Widening narrow pavements and Reconstructing Bridges
- O-1 Specific activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction
- AQ-2 Bicycle and pedestrian facilities

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted on December 14, 2004, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on February 1, 2005.

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-234-7793.

Sincerely,

Sherry Narusiewicz
Transportation Program Coordinator
MnDOT Metro District

cc: Marv Lunceford, Metro Program Management

2009 Appropriation Earmark Projects - TIP Amendment

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	PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA	Earmark \$	FHWA Target AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$	Air Quality Code
2010	M	M	CSAH 153	27-753-16	Hannopin County	Lowry Ave Bridge Replacement in Minneapolis (2009 Appropriations Act - TCSP)	0.2	BR	BR Replace	FFM	593,750	0	475,000	0	0	0	118,750	S19
2010	M	M	TH 51	164-010-62	Saint Paul	Snelling Ave, Pedestrian Median In St Paul - Improve Pedestrian Safety (2009 Appropriations Act - STP)	0.0	EN	Grade and Surface	FFM	475,000	0	475,000	0	0	0	0	O-1
2010	M	M	TH 65	113-010-16	Columbia Hts	TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge Replacement at 49 th Avenue In Columbia Heights (2009 Appropriations Act - TCSP) - RW	0.0	BR	Bridge Replace	FFM	281,250	0	225,000	0	0	0	56,250	AQ-2
2010	M	M	TH 65	113-010-17	Columbia Hts	TH 65 Pedestrian Bridge replacement at 49 th Avenue in Columbia Heights (2009 Appropriations Act - TCSP) - Preliminary Engineering	0.0	BR	Bridge Replace	FFM	312,500	0	250,000	0	0	0	62,500	AQ-2
2010	M	M	135W	0280-88	MnDOT	135W N. Congestion Mitigation and Design (2009 Appropriations Act - IMD)	4.0	PL	Planning	FFM	1,055,855	0	950,000	0	0	0	105,855	O-1