

Committee Report

Item: 2010-199

Consent

T Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 23, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date May 25, 2010
Prepared:
Subject: 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment:
Include Hennepin County SP#TRF-HENN-10 Planning for Bottineau
Transitway (TAB Action 2010-35)

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include Hennepin County SP#TRF-HENN-10, Planning for Bottineau Transitway.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

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

Motion was made by Aguilar, seconded by Leppik and passed unanimously.

Hearing no objection, Chair Meeks stated that this item could proceed to the full Council as a Consent Item.

Business Item

T Transportation Committee

Item: 2010-199

Meeting date: May 24, 2010

Council meeting: June 23, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	May 20, 2010
Subject:	2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment: Include Hennepin County SP#TRF-HENN-10 Planning for Bottineau Transitway (TAB Action 2010-35)
District(s), Member(s):	District 1 – Scherer, District 6 – Leppik, District 2 - Pistilli
Policy/Legal Reference:	TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS 651-602-1754 Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Finance & Planning, MTS (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 amend the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include Hennepin County SP#TRF-HENN-10, Planning for Bottineau Transitway.

Background

Hennepin County received Federal Earmark Funds in the 2010 Appropriation Act.

Rationale

In order to spend Federal Transportation Funds, the project must be in the current TIP.

Funding

These are new federal and local funds.

Known Support / Opposition

There was no opposition presented at the TAC or TAB meetings.

Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2010-35

DATE: May 12, 2010
TO: Transportation Advisory Board
FROM: Technical Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: 2010-2013 TIP Amendment to include TRF-HENN-10 Bottineau
Transitway – Planning.

MOTION: That the TAB amends the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include TRF-HENN-10 Planning for Bottineau Transitway

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This project was included in the 2010 Federal Transportation Appropriations Bill Earmark Projects list enacted by Congress in December 2009. The funds will be used toward development of the Draft EIS for the Bottineau Corridor.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	April 22, 2010
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	May 5, 2010
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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April 22, 2010

Karl Keel, Chair
 TAC Funding and Programming Committee
 Metropolitan Council
 390 N. Robert St.
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Re: Amendment to the Twin Cities 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 State Project Number: TRF-HENN-10 Bottineau Transitway

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	BB	TRF-HENN-10	Hennepin County	SECT: 5339 Bottineau Transitway -- Planning (2010 Appropriations-Alternatives Analysis Grant)	0.0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA Target	Earmark \$	FHWA Target AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
PL	Bus Grant Capital Improvement	FTA	312,500	0	0	0	250,000	0	62,500 (Match Funds)

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 add the Bottineau Transitway project to the current TIP in SFY 2010. The project funds were included in the 2010 Federal Transportation Appropriation Bill Earmark Projects list enacted by Congress in December 2009.

The funds will be used toward development of the Draft EIS for the Bottineau Corridor.

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**

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)

*Exemption Code # O-2-Engineering to assess social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed action or alternatives to that action.

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 me at 651-234-7793.

Sincerely,


Sherry Narusiewicz
Planning Program Coordinator