

To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Luke Champa
Date: 02/03/2021
Re: **2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2**

The Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments (Metro COG) will hold a virtual public hearing via Zoom Video Communications on Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. to consider public comments regarding a proposed amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the FM Metropolitan Area. The proposed amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP updated federally funded projects within the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) and reflects minor changes to language found within the TIP document.

A public notice was published in the Forum of Fargo-Moorhead on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, advertising the public hearing, how to request more information, and detailed public comment information such as where to send written comments regarding the proposed amendment. The public notices advertised that public comments will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Thursday, February 18, 2021. As of the writing of this memo, no written comments have been received.

The proposed amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP is as follows:

1. **Modification of Project 9170019:** NDDOT concrete pavement repair on I-29N from Main Ave to N Fargo Interchange (2021). The total project cost decreased 65.2% from \$950,000 to \$330,838 of which the Federal IM funding decreased 65.2% from \$855,000 to \$297,754, and the State funding decreased 65.2% from \$95,000 to \$33,084.
2. **Modification of Project 9170020:** NDDOT concrete pavement repair on I-29S from Main Ave to N Fargo Interchange (2021). The total project cost decreased 65.2% from \$950,000 to \$330,838 of which the Federal IM funding decreased 65.2% from \$855,000 to \$297,754, and the State funding decreased 65.2% from \$95,000 to \$33,084.
3. **Text modifications (pages 103-104):**
 "Amendment Required:
 1. The change adds new individual FHWA funded, FTA funded, or Regionally Significant (RS) project;
 2. Total cost increases ~~or decreases~~ meeting-meets the Formal TIP Amendment threshold as shown in Table 11-1;
 3. The change adds or removes a phase of work such as preliminary engineering, right-of-way, construction, etc. to the project which increases or decreases the total project cost;

4. The change results in project scope change including, but not limited to, changing work type such as bridge rehabilitation to replacement, resurface to reconstruct, adding additional work/bridge/lane/intersection/route;
5. The change in project limit/termini is greater than 0.3 miles in any direction;
6. The change impacts air quality conformity for projects in an MPO (the FM Area is in conformance with NAAQS);

Table 11-1: FHWA & FTA Project Cost Increase Thresholds

Cost of Project	Amendment needed if the increase is more than
Any Amount	20%

Source: Metro COG

Administrative Adjustment Required:

1. The increase ~~or decrease~~ in total project cost estimate is lower than the TIP amendment thresholds shown in Table 11-1. Justification is required to maintain fiscal constraint;
2. Decrease in total project cost estimate;
23. Change in TIP year. Projects are advanced or deferred within TIP years with no changes to cost or scope. Justification is required to maintain fiscal constraint;
34. The change adds a locally funded project to an existing federally funded project in the TIP if the project cost is greater than \$2,000,000. This applies to both DOT let and local let projects. No action required if the revised total project cost is less than \$2,000,000;
45. The change includes a technical correction;
56. Adding or removing Advance Construction (AC) - includes adding new AC, increase or decrease in existing AC amount (subject to table 11-1 increase threshold), or taking an existing AC off of a project;
67. Removing a project currently programmed in the TIP;
78. Changing FTA funding sources such as changing from Section 5307 funds to Section 5339 funds or vice versa;
89. Changing federal funding from FTA funds to FHWA funds or vice versa. Fiscal constraint justification required;
910. Changing the TIP project number."

See **Attachment 1** for more detailed project information.

Requested Action: Pending public comment, recommend approval of Amendment #2 of the Metro COG 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Policy Board.

Lead Agency	Metro COG ID State Number	Project Year	Project Location	Length	Project Limits		Project Description	Improvement Type	Total Project Cost	Federal Revenue Source	Other Revenue Source	Revenue
					From	To						
Amendment 2												
Moorhead Transit												
Fargo Transit												
City of Fargo												
City of Moorhead												
City of West Fargo												
North Dakota Department of Transportation												
NDDOT	9170019 22991 8002	2021	I-29N	4.0	Main Ave	N Fargo Interchange	Concrete Pavement Repair	Rehabilitation	\$ 950,000 \$ 330,838	IM	State	\$ 855,000 \$ 297,754 \$ 95,000 \$ 33,084
NDDOT	9170020 22991 8005	2021	I-29S	4.0	Main Ave	N Fargo Interchange	Concrete Pavement Repair	Rehabilitation	\$ 950,000 \$ 330,838	IM	State	\$ 855,000 \$ 297,754 \$ 95,000 \$ 33,084
Minnesota Department of Transportation												
Clay County												