

Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2016-35

DATE: May 23, 2016

TO: TAC Funding and Programming Committee

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SUBJECT: Adoption of the Draft 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the release for a public comment period.

REQUESTED ACTION: That the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) adopt the draft 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for release for a public comment period.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to TAB adoption of the draft 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for release for a public comment period.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: Federal regulations require that a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be developed at least every four years. The Metropolitan Council revises its TIP every year in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Transportation's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The draft TIP and its development process will meet applicable federal requirements once the public input process is complete. The public comment period is scheduled to run from June 20 to August 3.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be partially funded with federal funds must be in an approved Transportation Improvement Program and meet the following four tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; air quality conformity and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB's responsibility to adopt and amend the TIP according to these four requirements.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its May 21, 2015, meeting, the TAC Funding and Programming Committee unanimously recommended forwarding the TIP to TAB for release for a public comment period.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	5-19-2016
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Transportation Committee	Information	
Metropolitan Council	Information	

