

T Transportation Committee
Meeting date: April 26, 2010
Council Meeting: May 26, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	April 22, 2010
Subject:	2010-2013 TIP Amendment: Include Scenic Byways funds received in the 2009 Solicitation of Scenic Byway Funds (TAB Action 2010-27)
District(s), Member(s):	District 7 – Meeks, District 8 - Wittsack
Policy/Legal Reference:	TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS 651-602-1754 Amy Vennewitz, Deputy Director Finance & Planning 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 the attached Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to identify Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board SP#91-060-97 Grand Rounds: Mississippi Gorge Parking/Overlook.

Background

Federal Scenic Byway Funds were received from the 2009 Solicitation.

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

No opposition was presented at the TAC meetings.

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of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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April 22, 2010

Peter Bell, Chair
Metropolitan Council
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Mr. Bell,

On April 21, 2010, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program to include SP# 91-060-97: Grand Rounds Mississippi River Gorge Parking/Overlook.

The funds for this project were recently awarded to the Minneapolis Park Board through the Scenic Byways program.

The TAB forwards the TIP amendment action to the Metropolitan Council along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2010-27.

Sincerely,



for

Bill Hargis, Acting Chair
Transportation Advisory Board

Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2010-27

DATE: April 22, 2010
TO: Metropolitan Council
FROM: Transportation Advisory Board
SUBJECT: 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment to include Scenic Byways funds received in the 2009 Solicitation of Scenic Byway Funds.

MOTION: The TAB amended the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to identify Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board SP #91-060-97 Grand Rounds; Mississippi Gorge Parking/Overlook.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This TIP amendment is being requested in order to add a total of \$187,500 for planning for the Mississippi Gorge Parking/Overlook. \$150,000 of the total are earmarked scenic byway funds and \$37,500 is local match.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	March 18, 2010
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	April 7, 2010
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	April 21, 2010
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	April 21, 2010
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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March 18, 2010

Karl Keel, Chair
TAC Funding and Programming 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: 91-060-97 Grand Rounds: Mississippi Gorge – Parking/Overlook

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	Local	91-060-97 Fed. MNSB908	Mpls Park & Recreation Board	Minneapolis Grand Rounds: Mississippi Gorge-Parking/Overlook	0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA Target	HPP \$	Earmark \$	FHWA Target AC \$	HPP AC \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
PL	Planning	SB	187,500	0	0	150,000	0	0	0	37,500 (Local match)

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 identify Scenic Byway funds that were received in the 2009 Solicitation of Scenic Byway Funds.

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**

*2009 Scenic Byway funding

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)

Project Exemption category: S-15 Safety and Roadside Rest Areas pursuant to titles 23 and 49 U.S.C. federal-aid systems revisions.

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 Dan Erickson at 651.234.7763.

Sincerely,



f Greg Coughlin
Metro District State Aid Engineer

C: Sherry Narusiewicz, Metro Investment Management
Cindy Krumsieg, Metro Investment Management