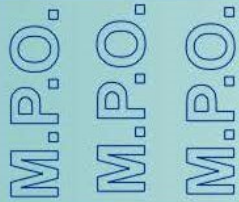


Overcoming Barriers

Strengthening Connections



Grand Forks - East Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization

Ensuring Opportunities

Planning One Community

*“A community that provides a variety of complementary transportation choices, that are fiscally constrained,
for people and goods.”*

MPO Staff Report

Technical Advisory Committee: January 9, 2019

MPO Executive Board: January 23, 2019

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Recommend the approval of FY2019 TIP amendment to the MPO Executive Board.

Matter of the Public Hearing on FY2019 TIP Amendment.

Background: After the MPO adopts a four year TIP, amendments may need to be process when a project cost estimate changes significantly or the scope of the project changes or federal programs have announced funding awards.

The proposed amendments entail:

1. East Grand Forks carrying over from FY2018 the purchase of a transit vehicle. The reason is due to the timing of FTA end of year “freezing” its software prior to East Grand Forks finalizing the “paperwork”. Thus, shifting the funds to FY2019.
2. Grand Forks was awarded FTA 5339 funds from the most recent solicitation. These funds need to be amended into the TIP in order for Grand Forks to access this award.
3. NDDOT has determined to complete a mill and overlay pavement preservation project on US2 between N. 55th St and N. 69th St. Currently in the TIP are projects for pavement preservation from N. 69th St (boundary between “rural” and “urban” projects) westward. This project would address the one mile stretch of US2 with a “rural” cross section although it is physically located within the “urban” geography.
4. NDDOT has initiated a pilot program for safety improvements along Interstate Highways. These are state funds to install high tension median cables at a few key locations. One is located within the MPO area.

The attached proposed project listing shows the new projects. Also attached is the public hearing notice (being held at the TAC meeting) that was published concerning these proposed

amendments.

Findings and Analysis:

- Project modifications have been identified.
- The proposed projects are consistent with the MPO Long Range Transportation Plan.
- A Public Hearing is scheduled for January 9th at the TAC meeting; written comments are being accepted until 11:00 am, January 9th.
- These amended projects do not impact funds in the TIP so fiscal constraint is maintained.

Support Materials:

- Copy of Public Hearing Notice.
- Copy of Amendments



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Grand Forks - East Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the MPO 2019 to 2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP also incorporates the local transit operators' Program of Projects (POP). The hearing will be held in the Training Room of East Grand Forks City Hall, 600 DeMers Ave., East Grand Forks, Minnesota. The hearing will start at 1:30 PM on January 9th. The public, particularly special and private sector transportation providers, are encouraged to attend.

The TIP potential amendments affect projects in both Minnesota and North Dakota; it includes both transit projects and highway projects. A copy of the proposed amendments to the TIP is available for review and comment weekdays between 8 AM and 5 PM at the MPO Offices in Grand Forks City Hall and East Grand Forks City Hall. Comments on the draft TIP can be submitted to either MPO Office until noon on January 9th.

For further information, contact Mr. Earl Haugen at 701/746/2660. The GF-EGFMPO will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the meeting conductors are notified 5 days prior to the meeting date, if possible. To request language interpretation, an auxiliary aid or service (i.e., sign language interpreter, accessible parking, or materials in alternative format) contact Earl Haugen of GF-EGFMPO at 701-746-2660. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota 711 or 1-800-366-6888.

Materials can be provided in alternative formats: large print, Braille, cassette tape, or on computer disk for people with disabilities or with LEP by Earl Haugen of GF-EGFMPO at 701-746-2660. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota 711 or 1-800-366-6888.

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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

FISCAL YEARS 2019-2022

URBAN AREA	PROJECT LOCATION	FACILITY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST (THOUSANDS) AND SOURCE OF FUNDING					STAGING	ANNUAL ELEMENT	FUTURE EXPENDITURES						
	RESPONSIBLE AGENCY	CLASSIFICATION							2019	2020	2021	2022					
PROJECT NUMBER	PROJECT TYPE	FUNDING STATUS		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	Operations								
				FUNDING SOURCE					CONSTR.								
									TOTAL								
East Grand Forks #4	East Grand Forks	NA	Purchase a fare collection equipment	REMARKS:													
	East Grand Forks	Operations	TRF-0018-19C						Operations								
	Fixed-Route Transit Service	Entitlement		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	R.O.W.	220.00							
									CONSTR.	NA							
									TOTAL	220.00							
									FTA 5307								
East Grand Forks #4a	East Grand Forks	NA	Purchase of a Class 300 vehicle for demand response and as back-up for fixed route. TRF-0018-18C	REMARKS: Amended into FY2019 Originally FY2018 purchase													
	East Grand Forks	Capital							Operations								
	Paratransit Vehicle	Discretionary		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	R.O.W.	140.00							
									CONSTR.	NA							
									TOTAL	140.00							
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									Operations								
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	P.E.														
PROJECT TYPE	FUNDING STATUS								R.O.W.						
FUNDING SOURCE									CONSTR.						
TOTAL									TOTAL						
Grand Forks #3a No PCN	Grand Forks	NA	Purchase fare collection equipment, purchase computer servers, purchase generator	REMARKS: Awarded December 2018 Amended January 2019											
	Grand Forks	Capital							Operations						
									Capital	456.00					
									P.E.						
	Fixed Route	Discretionary		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	R.O.W.						
				456.00	365.04			91.26	CONSTR.						
				FTA #5339 Capital					TOTAL	456.00					
Grand Forks #3b No PCN	Grand Forks	US 2	Mill and overlay between N. 55th St and N. 69th St.	REMARKS: Amended in January 2019											
									Operations						
	NDDOT	Principle Arterial							Capital						
									P.E.						
	Pavement Preserve	Discretionary		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	R.O.W.						
				567.00	454.00	113.00			CONSTR.			567.00			
									TOTAL			567.00			
Grand Forks #3c No PCN	Grand Forks	I-29	Install high tension median cable guard rail between Gateway Dr and 32nd Ave S.	REMARKS: Amended in January 2019											
									Operations						
	NDDOT	Interstate							Capital						
									P.E.						
	Safety	Discretionary		TOTAL	FEDERAL	STATE	OTHER	LOCAL	R.O.W.						
				840.00		840.00			CONSTR.						
									TOTAL	840.00					