



Grand Forks - East Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization

MPO Staff Report

MPO Technical Advisory Committee: December 14, 2016
MPO Executive Board: December 21, 2016

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve List of HSIP, Regional and Urban Program Candidate Projects for the FY2018-2021 TIP as Being Consistent with the Long Range Transportation Plan and Give Priority Ranking

Matter of List of HSIP, Regional and Urban Program Candidate Projects for 2018-2021 TIP.

Background: The MPO and NDDOT formally solicited candidate projects for the 2017-20 TIP/STIP. Previously, we have informally advised our local agencies that a solicitation would be forthcoming and to begin preparing project paperwork. In order for the MPO to give both the local agencies as much time as possible yet still allow MPO staff to “vet” the candidate projects, the project submittal deadline to the MPO was December 7th.

These candidate projects are being processed with many unknown outcomes of FAST. It is very possible that significant changes may occur to these projects as more information and decisions are made through implementation of FAST. In short, any action of these projects is subject to change. Particularly with FAST emphasis on “State of Good Repair” and on National Highway System (NHS) Routes, the impacts of at least these two areas may cause changes. The MPO staff did advise it local agencies to keep these two emphasis in mind with their candidate projects. This Report will identify the candidate projects as either being on the NHS and/or as “State of Good Repair”

A separate staff report was released for the FTA 5339 Program and the ND TA Program.

Findings and Analysis:

- The MPO must annually prepare a Transportation Improvement Program
- TIP eligible projects with the MPO Area must be submitted to the MPO for its consideration
- The projects submitted are being considered as being consistent with the Long Range Transportation Plan with the understanding that as MAP-21 is implemented this determination is subject to change.
- The projects should be given high priority ranking.

Support Materials:

- Powerpoint