



Grand Forks - East Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization

MPO Staff Report

Technical Advisory Committee: January 11, 2017

MPO Executive Board: January 18, 2017

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Recommend the approval of FY2017-20 TIP amendments to the MPO Executive Board.

Matter of the Public Hearing on FY2017-20 TIP Amendments.

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 or projects are moved to be either constructed sooner or delayed.

One of the proposed FY2017 amendments is to add A Grand Forks County project. Federal funds have been awarded to complete a mill and overlay to a segment of GF Co. #6 (Merrifield Road) between GF Co. #5 and GF Co. #17. This new project will utilize newly awarded federal funds and therefore does not impact the fiscal constraint issue.

Another proposed FY2017 amendment is to move a Preventative Maintenance project on N. Washington Street originally programmed in FY2018 to be moved to FY2017. The scope also changed from a slurry seal to become now a chip seal project. The cost estimate and funding sources do not change and therefore does not impact the fiscal constraint issue

The attached proposed project amendments show the new projects and total cost estimates and the federal share. Also attached is the public hearing notice that was published concerning this proposed amendment.

Findings and Analysis:

- Project have been awarded federal funds.
- The proposed project is consistent with the MPO Long Range Transportation Plan.
- A Public Hearing is scheduled for January 11th; written comments are being accepted until 11:00 am, Jan 11th.
- These amended projects brings in new funds into the TIP so fiscal constraint is maintained.

Support Materials:

- Copy of Public Hearing Notice.
- Copy of Amended FY2017 Annual Element