

ITEM #: AAMPO 2
 DATE: 08-08-23
 DEPT: MPO

TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: FFY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT

BACKGROUND:

To receive federal funds for regional transportation projects, it is necessary for them to be included in the Ames Area MPO’s Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Ames Area MPO’s current TIP contains projects programmed for federal fiscal years 2023 through 2026 and was approved on July 12, 2022. The TIP may be amended in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Ames Area MPO’s TIP and Public Participation Plan. This process is outlined below:

Steps for TIP Amendment (as outlined in the Public Participation Plan)

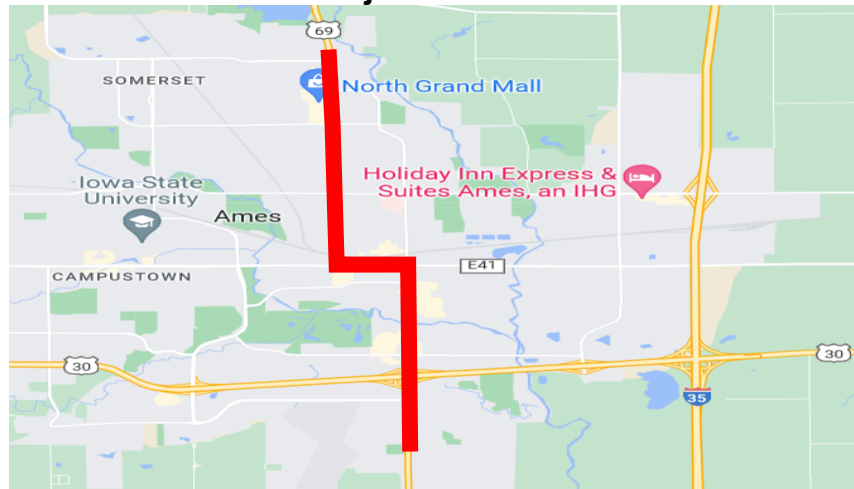
1. Request for amendment(s) by member agency or MPO staff
2. Recommendation by the Transportation Technical Committee
3. Initial review by Transportation Policy Committee; Setting of public hearing date
4. Minimum 15-day public comment period
5. Public hearing and final approval by Transportation Policy Committee

The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) has requested to the AAMPO (see attached request) that one of their projects be added into the FFY 2023-2026 TIP as follows:

Project Description

TPMS ID	Location	Project Type	Project Total	Federal Aid	Federal-Aid Program
54852	US 69 (S of Jewell Dr – N of Bloomington Rd)	HMA Resurfacing with Milling	\$3.6M	\$2.8M	National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)

Project Location



This project was originally planned to be programmed in the FFY 2024-2027 TIP as an FFY 2024 project due to an October 2023 letting date. However, to authorize the project in September, which would be required to support an October letting date, the project must be programmed in FFY 2023. Therefore, the project must be added to the FFY 2023-2026 TIP. A TIP amendment is required to add any projects to a TIP program.

The Transportation Technical Committee reviewed this proposed amendment on July 27, 2023, and unanimously recommended its approval. Once the Transportation Policy Committee has reviewed the proposed amendment at this meeting and sets the date of public hearing, the MPO will then begin a public input period from August 9, 2023, until August 31, 2023. After the public input period, the proposed amendment will then go before the policy committee again for the public hearing and final approval on September 12, 2023.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Set the date of public hearing as September 12, 2023, for approval of the proposed amendment to the FFY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.
2. Reject the Iowa Department of Transportation's request to amend the FFY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

MPO ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of this TIP amendment will allow the Iowa DOT to let this project in October as originally scheduled. Without approval, the Iowa DOT would need to delay the project letting date and amend this project into the FFY 2024-2027 TIP instead. Additionally, the Transportation Technical Committee has unanimously recommended approval of this amendment. **Therefore, it is the recommendation of the MPO Administrator that the Transportation Policy Committee adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.**

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To: Thompson, Kyle
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Subject: DOT Amendment Request

Importance: High

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Good morning Kyle,

The DOT formally requests that the AAMPO review and approve an Amendment to the 2023 STIP. The Iowa DOT added a new HMA Resurfacing with Milling project on US69 in Ames as part of its 2024 Highway construction program. This approximately \$3.6m project spans from S of Jewel Dr to N of Bloomington Rd in Ames. The DOT plans to let this project in October which requires authorization in September. Because this is part of FFY 2023 we need to have this project added to the 2023 STIP.

Thank you.

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