

**AMES AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (AAMPO)  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN  
(LRTP)**

**BACKGROUND:**

The Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT) has started the process for improvements to be completed to the interchange of Interstate 35 and Highway 30 located within the AAMPO's planning boundary. In order for the Iowa DOT to properly complete the preconstruction steps, qualify for federal funding, and keep on their project timeline, the project must be included in the AAMPO's LRTP. Therefore, they have requested the AAMPO amend the 2035 LRTP plan for inclusion of the Interstate 35 and Highway 30 interchange project. Representatives for the Iowa DOT brought this to the attention of the Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) at their March 12, 2012, meeting. A public meeting was held on May 1, 2012, for public review and no comments on the amendment to the 2035 LRTP were received.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the amendment to the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan to include the Interstate 35 and Highway 30 Interchange project.
2. Do not approve the amendment to the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan to include the Interstate 35 and Highway 30 Interchange project.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:**

The AAMPO Technical Committee has discussed this amendment and recommends approval of the amendment to the 2035 LRTP. Therefore, it is recommended by the Administrator that the Transportation Policy Committee adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the amendment to the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan to include the Interstate 35 and Highway 30 Interchange project.