

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

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2018 – 2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**BACKGROUND:**

In order to receive Federal funds for transportation improvement projects, it is necessary for the projects to be included in the approved Iowa Department of Transportation statewide plan. The initial step in this process is for the Ames Area MPO to develop a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Regulations require the TIP to include transportation projects for four years. The TIP may be amended in accordance with prescribed amendment and public participation procedures.

The amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program involves changing the following:

**Project Amendments:**

- \$212,980 in CMAQ - #9 Plum Weekday Route Expansion (Project 3664)
  - Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) awarded by Iowa DOT on January 9, 2018. Project must be added to access ICAAP award.
- \$435,452 in 5310 funding - Annunciators (Project 4840)
  - Add new project using uncommitted 5310 funding to purchase on-board annunciators for CyRide's fixed-route fleet. (See 3-27-18 AAMPO Agenda Item #3)
- \$160,000 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) – Skunk River Trail: SE 16th Street to E Lincoln Way (Project 14983)
  - Remove project to maintain fiscal constraint in FY 2018. **\*\*Project will be added back in FY2019-2022 TIP\*\***  
Note: The Iowa DOT has now established the revised TAP process and asked all MPOs to move current TAP projects to FY19. All anticipated funding will be maintained.

The requirements to process amendments to the TIP call for an opportunity for public review and comment as well as approval by both the Technical and Policy Committees of the Ames Area MPO. The public input period will be available from March 27, 2018 to May 11, 2018. After this comment period, this item will go before the AAMPO Policy Committee again for final approval on May 22, 2018.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Review the amendment to the FY 2018 – 2021 Transportation Improvement Program and set May 22, 2018 as the date for the public hearing.
2. Review and modify the amendment to the FY 2018 – 2021 Transportation Improvement Program and set May 22, 2018 as the date for the public hearing.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The Ames Area MPO Transportation Technical Committee has unanimously recommended approval of the FY 2018 – 2021 Transportation Improvement Program amendments.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the Administrator that the Transportation Policy Committee adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.