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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Transportation Policy Board

**FROM:** Holly Gilbert, Senior Planner

**DATE:** September 28, 2018

**SUBJECT:** RTIP Amendment 18-10

**PURPOSE**

Act on a proposed amendment to the 2018-2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

**Summary:**

- An amendment has been requested to the 2018-2021 RTIP, by the City of Tumwater to add a new project. The project title is *Citywide NHS Resurfacing*. This project has recently received federal funding, and therefore needs to be added to the RTIP.
- The RTIP amendment will trigger a STIP amendment for this project, which will allow the project to go forward.
- This project amendment is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Amend the 2018-2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program to add the Tumwater *Citywide NHS Resurfacing* project, as presented.

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## BACKGROUND

### **About the RTIP and STIP**

The RTIP is a four-year programming document derived from the comprehensive six-year Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) that each local agency develops and adopts annually. In turn, the RTIP is used by the state to prepare the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

The RTIP serves these main purposes:

- 1) It identifies a list of transportation projects that will be forwarded to the state for inclusion in the STIP. For federally funded projects, even if project funding has been awarded, it is not available to jurisdictions and agencies until the project is included in the STIP. To be included in the STIP, projects must be programmed for funding (funding-secured) in local Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) in the four-year period for both urban and rural areas and meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - a. Have federal funding
  - b. Are WSDOT projects
  - c. Are regionally significant, regardless of funding source.
- 2) It demonstrates financial constraint for the projects referenced above.
- 3) It demonstrates consistency with RCW 36.70A, Section 70 of the Washington State Growth Management Act requiring transportation planning to be coordinated and consistent with local comprehensive plans.
- 4) It demonstrates that regionally significant projects programmed for funding during the time period will not cause or contribute to any new violation of the federal air quality standards for particulate matter of 10 microns or less (PM<sub>10</sub>), will not increase the frequency or severity of any existing violation of the standards, nor delay timely attainment of the standards.
- 5) It identifies other programmed and planned transportation projects adopted in local six-year Transportation Improvement Programs.

### **RTIP and STIP Amendments**

Federal requirements stipulate that changes to the RTIP require an amendment to the original document, which then triggers an amendment to the STIP. This is important because a jurisdiction cannot proceed with a project for which it has been awarded federal money until the STIP is formally amended and approved by the federal agencies.

Depending upon the kind of change required of the RTIP, this amendment may be a "formal amendment" process or a streamlined "administrative modification." TRPC's amendment and modifying processes for the RTIP incorporates guidance provided by WSDOT on amending and modifying the STIP. The project under consideration today requires an amendment to the RTIP, which in turn will trigger an amendment to the STIP.

In November 2017 TRPC approved a change to the RTIP amendment process such that the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) is now the approving body for formal RTIP amendments.

**City of Tumwater Amendment Request**

The City of Tumwater has requested an amendment to the 2018-2021 RTIP, requiring TPB action.

<b>Amendment requested by Thurston County</b>	
Project Title	Citywide NHS Resurfacing
STIP ID #	WA-11658
Project Description	Resurfacing and rehabilitation of various NHS segments throughout the City including: Tumwater Blvd (Interstate 5 to Capitol Blvd/Old Hwy 99) and Capitol Blvd south segment (Israel Rd to X St): pavement repair, pre-level, crack seal and resurfacing; Capitol Blvd north segment (Capitol Blvd Bridge to Carlyon/Sunset): Planing, selective concrete panel repair, overlay with fiber-reinforced asphalt, upgrade curb ramps and replace curb and gutter where required, and relocate, upgrade or add pedestrian signals and; Old Hwy 99 (Henderson Blvd to Tumwater Blvd): Pavement repair, pre-level and fiber-reinforced asphalt overlay.
Reason for Amendment	To add a new project to the RTIP, which will then be submitted as an amendment to the STIP.
Amended Amount (Secured)	Total Estimated Cost: \$3,500,000. Further details: PE: NHPP federal funds of \$180,200, and Local Funds of \$31,800 CN: NHPP federal funds of \$2,246,800 and Local Funds of \$ 1,041,200
Action	Amend the 2018-2021 RTIP to add the above project.

Public comment is being solicited on TRPC's website. Additionally, TRPC has received a copy of this staff report as an informational item in their packet and can comment to TPB on the amendment if they so choose. If either public or TRPC comment is received, it will be provided at the TPB meeting.