

Sherman-Denison Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
AGENDA ITEM IVb
Staff Report: (b) TIGER II Discretionary Grant

May 19, 2010

RECOMMENDED ACTION: For informational purposes only

BACKGROUND:

On April 26, 2010, the Department of Transportation announced the second Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant. Like the first TIGER Discretionary Grants, TIGER II Discretionary Grants are for capital improvements in surface transportation infrastructure. According to the federal register...”The Primary Selection Criteria include (1) Long-Term Outcomes and (2) Job Creation & Economic Stimulus.”

Based on the criteria, staff is recommending that the previous submittal of a resurfacing project for US 75 be the candidate project from our area.

Project Description:

Resurfacing project for US 75 between the cities of Sherman and Denison, Texas in order to maintain a state of good repair, reduce maintenance costs, provide for a safer roadway, continued economic competitiveness, livability and sustainability.

Status of Existing Facility:

Existing facility is between 20-30 years old and is in need of constant repair. It was not designed for its current traffic level which has increased as the primary reliever route to I-35 the official NAFTA highway. Currently it carries 62,000 vehicles per day and in the last few years has averaged \$1.787 million dollars in maintenance per year.

Connections with existing transportation infrastructure:

US 75 (Central Expressway) connects with I-45 in Dallas which runs south to Houston, then runs north into Oklahoma where it merges into US 69 which continues north to I-40 and I-44 and beyond. Part of the needed improvement crosses over US 82.

Proposed improvements:

Existing concrete slab repair and given 10” concrete overlay.

ACTION REQUESTED:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

None

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:	STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Item for informational purposes only.
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