

AGENDA ITEM V

February 6, 2008

Review Draft Amendment to the FY 2008 - 2011 TIP

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The SH 91 overpass at UP RR, included in the FY 2006 - 2008 TIP and scheduled to be let in August 2007 did not let. The project was not included the FY 2008 - 2011 TIP. TxDOT has asked the MPO to schedule letting for this project in October of 2009 (FY 2010). This addition will require an amendment to the FY 2008 - 2011 TIP.

A public involvement meeting will be scheduled this Spring to gather input should there be any. The formal addition of this project to the 2008 - 2011 TIP would be a the next TPB meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The Transportation Policy Board (TPB) is requested to approve the proposed draft amendment to the FY 2008 - 2011 TIP and authorize staff to conduct a public involvement meeting for the project.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Proposed Amendment
- Map

Vote: Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Motion Description: _____

Vote: For _____ Against _____
Sherman-Denison Transportation Policy Board Chairman
_____ / _____
Gene Short Date

AGENDA ITEM VI

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Review Administrative Change

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

An important component of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) requires that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) use revenue and cost estimates showing 'year of expenditure (YOE)' and total project cost*.

*Reference CFR 450.322(f)(10)(iv)

(iv) In developing the financial plan, the MPO shall take into account all projects and strategies proposed for funding under title 23 U.S.C., title 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 or with other Federal funds; State assistance; local sources; and private participation. Starting December 11, 2007, revenue and cost estimates that support the metropolitan transportation plan must use an inflation rate(s) to reflect "year of expenditure dollars," based on reasonable financial principles and information, developed cooperatively by the MPO, State(s), and public transportation operator(s).

When the 2030 MTP was updated to reflect these requirements in the Summer of 2007, the year of expenditure as well as revenue and project cost estimates were part of the approved document. In the Fall of 2007 the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) asked that documentation for the methodology used (for YOE, Total Project Cost, Rate of Inflation, Rate of Growth) be provided.

The attached narrative has been added to both the MTP and TIP as an appendix to satisfy this requirement.

This addition did not require prior approval in that it did not change the integrity of the document. It solely explains the process used to arrive at these numbers.

NO ACTION REQUIRED:

The Transportation Policy Board (TPB) is requested to review the attachments. No action is required for this item. This item is for informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Year of Expenditure Cost Estimates narrative
- Engineering & Right of Way costs and Total Project Cost Methodology
- FY 2008 - 2011 TIP with administrative changes
- SAFETEA-LU Checklist

AGENDA ITEM VII

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Current Project Workload

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The workload pipeline continues to grow. Staff is currently involved in several projects not yet brought before the board. Among these projects:

- **Travel Model** - current base year model (1994) is being updated to the new base year of 2003. Demographic data is currently being updated to reflect the Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ), some of which were changed to reflect the updated Metropolitan Area Boundary (MAB).
- **Budget Recessions** - have required staff to place on hold the FM 691 Corridor Study. Staff is awaiting notice from either the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and/or Texas Metropolitan Planning Organizations (TEMPO) on what the status of cash or in-kind match for the portion of unobligated or unexpended balance of the planning funds from previous years is. These are the funds intended for use in the corridor study.
- **Transit Demographics** - one of the recommendations which resulted from the audit at Texoma Area Paratransit System (TAPS) by the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) was that the transit provider consider a possible fixed route system. Staff is currently working on geo-coding origins and destinations of riders to assist in the decision making process.
- **MPO Web Site** - staff is currently working on updating the look of this resource for the public.
- **Contract with TxDOT** - the current MPO/TxDOT contract needs to be updated and is under review by staff. Part of this contract requires the identification of and Memorandum of Understanding between the MPO Board and its administrative agent (Texoma Council of Governments).
- **Triennial Review** - this Federal Transit Administration (FTA) document is scheduled for this year. Extensive preparations are currently being made for this visit.
- **By-Laws** - staff is working on finalizing a second draft for board review.

NO ACTION REQUIRED:

No action is required for this item. This item is for informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

- none