



2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP/ MnDOT STIP Update



Transportation Advisory Committee
and MIC Policy Board
December, 2018

2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP/STIP Update

- The **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** lists all federally-funded transportation projects to be implemented in the MIC's planning area for the next four years.
- A project must be listed in **both** the Duluth-area TIP and the state-level STIP to receive FHWA (roadway) or FTA (transit) funds.
- The MIC's TIP development process includes a mandatory **public comment period** for the community to weigh in on projects to be funded with federal dollars.

Roadway Funding (2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP)

	Funding Source	MnDOT Dist. 1	St. Louis Co.	Duluth	Hermantown	TOTAL
	Federal Aid	60,930,000	7,810,000	7,820,000		\$76,560,000
	Federal Demo/Earmark			700,000		\$700,000
	State TH / State Bond	257,210,000				\$257,210,000
	State Grant					\$0
Local	General Fund					\$0
	Specific Tax Revenue					\$0
	Assessment					\$0
	Bonds					\$0
	Other Local/General Local		5,480,000	5,540,000		\$11,020,000
	2019-2022 TIP (4-year TOTAL)	\$318,150,000	\$13,290,000	\$14,060,000	\$0	\$345,500,000

Transit Funding (2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP)

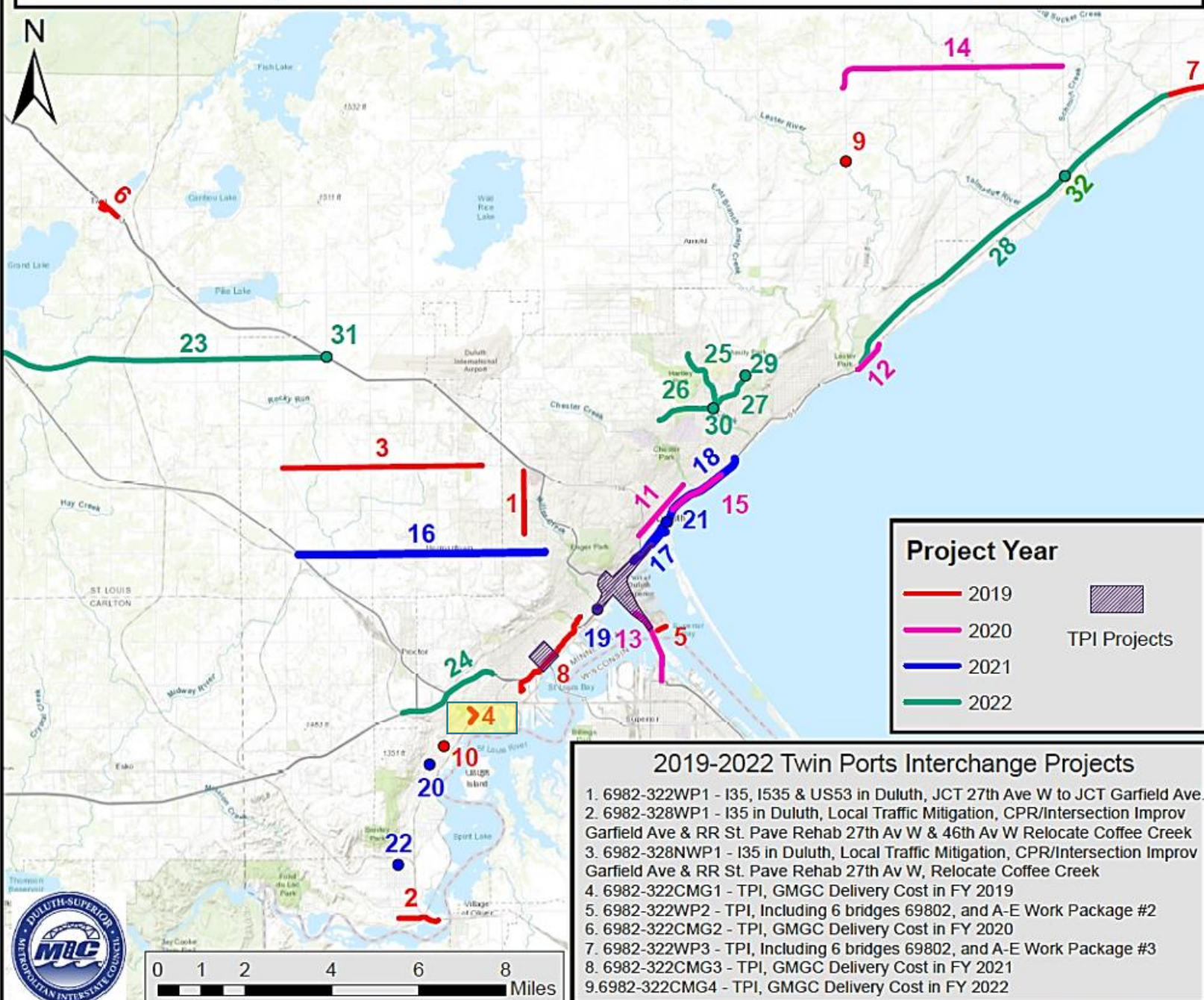
Funding Source	2019	2020	2021	2022	4 Yr. TOTAL
FTA	2,720,000	2,240,000	2,760,000	2,360,000	\$10,080,000
FHWA	3,680,000	1,280,000	3,756,000	1,320,000	\$10,036,000
Subtotal - Federal	\$6,400,000	\$3,520,000	\$6,516,000	\$3,680,000	\$20,116,000
Other (state and local)	17,054,000	14,630,000	15,569,000	15,050,000	\$62,303,000
Total	\$23,454,000	\$18,150,000	\$22,085,000	\$18,730,000	\$82,419,000

This Year's TIP Approval Process

September 2018

- Due to public comments received, the MIC Board voted to approve the 2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP but to withhold approval of one trail project.
- We were subsequently advised by FHWA that withholding one project would jeopardize funding for the entire \$428 million program of roadway and transit projects for the next 4 years.

2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program for the Duluth Urbanized Area



2019-2022 Twin Ports Interchange Projects

- 6982-322WP1 - I-35, I535 & US53 in Duluth, JCT 27th Ave W to JCT Garfield Ave.
- 6982-328WP1 - I-35 in Duluth, Local Traffic Mitigation, CPR/Intersection Improv Garfield Ave & RR St. Pave Rehab 27th Av W & 46th Av W Relocate Coffee Creek
- 6982-328NWP1 - I-35 in Duluth, Local Traffic Mitigation, CPR/Intersection Improv Garfield Ave & RR St. Pave Rehab 27th Av W, Relocate Coffee Creek
- 6982-322CMG1 - TPI, GMGC Delivery Cost in FY 2019
- 6982-322WP2 - TPI, Including 6 bridges 69802, and A-E Work Package #2
- 6982-322CMG2 - TPI, GMGC Delivery Cost in FY 2020
- 6982-322WP3 - TPI, Including 6 bridges 69802, and A-E Work Package #3
- 6982-322CMG3 - TPI, GMGC Delivery Cost in FY 2021
- 6982-322CMG4 - TPI, GMGC Delivery Cost in FY 2022

TIP Projects by Year

2019 TIP Projects

1. Decker Road Mill and Overlay
2. E McCuen St Mill and Overlay
3. Maple Grove Road Resurfacing and Intersection Improvements
4. Cross City Trail Connect - Zoo to Munger Trail
5. Duluth Port, Freight Rail Tracks Extension
6. US 53 Southbound Bituminous Overlay - Highway 7/US53 Construct J-Turn
7. MN 61 Homestead Rd to Pigeon Rd Rumble Install SHLD Rumble
8. Cross City Trail Phase 2
- *9. N Tisher Rd - Bridge Replacement - Lester River
- *10. Traffic Control MN 23 and Kayak Rd

2020 TIP Projects

11. 3rd Street Repairs: Mill & Overlay, Storm Sewer Repairs, Curb & Gutter and ADA
12. Brighton Beach (Lakewalk Extension): Construct Multi-Use Path
13. Blatnik Bridge Painting
14. N Tisher Rd/Lismore Rd - Mill, Reclaim, Bituminous Resurfacing
15. I-35 Lighting Upgrade to LED

2021 TIP Projects

16. Morris Thomas Rd Bituminous Resurfacing and Culvert Repairs
17. Railroad St - Bituminous Resurfacing
18. I-35 Technology Upgrade
- *19. I-35 Drainage Improvements and Fencing
- *20. MN 23 Gegebic Creek Culvert Repair
- *21. I-35: Repair Drainage System Under Lakewalk
- *22. MN 23 US Steel Creek Culvert Repair

2022 TIP Projects

23. MN-194 Pavement Preservation
 24. Thompson Hill Highway Reconstruction
 25. Woodland Ave Pavement Preservation and Intersection Improvement
 26. Arrowhead Road Pavement Preservation
 27. Snively Road Pavement Preservation and Intersection Improvement
 28. MN 61 Expressway Knife River to Highway 61 Mill and Overlay
 - *29. Intersection of Snively Rd/Glenwood St 2 Projects
 - *30. Woodland Ave Intersection with Arrowhead Rd
 - *31. US 53/MN 194/Lindahl Rd Conflic Intersection Change
 - *32. French River Wayside Rehab Project
- * Projects Listed as a Point

This Year's TIP Approval Process

October 2018

- The MIC Board voted to approve the entire TIP, including the trail project.

Why Did This Happen?

Unresolved issues at the jurisdiction level:

The trail project in question had undergone multiple changes to its scope and funding (since 2005) and many stakeholders had objections to the City's final project.

Last opportunity for public comment:

Several members of the public appeared at the September 2018 MIC Board meeting to express concerns about the City's trail project as proposed in the draft TIP.

State and local processes out of synch:

MnDOT had already approved its state-level TIP (STIP) before the MIC Board had a chance to approve its regional-level TIP.

What Processes Will be Changed?

Federal level

- FHWA has requested that MnDOT work with all Minnesota MPOs (including the MIC) to prevent this issue (“TIP-STIP non-alignment”) from happening in the future.

State level

- MnDOT will change its STIP process so that final approval does not precede regional TIP approvals.
- MnDOT will work with their District personnel to communicate that MPOs (like the MIC) have a lead role in transportation planning and programming within in their urbanized areas (e.g., Duluth/Hermantown/ Proctor/Townships).

What Processes Will be Changed?

MPO level

- The MIC will accelerate its TIP development process so that the final version is approved by the MIC Board in June (instead of September).
- The MIC will not amend any projects into the new (Board-approved) TIP until it receives final federal approvals.

(For example, in accordance with the MIC's project application and public review process, it is expected that the Board will approve a new TIP for 2020-2023 in June. New projects can (only) be amended into the current (2019-2022) TIP, until the new (2020-2023) version is approved by MnDOT, FHWA and FTA.

What Processes Will be Changed?

Jurisdiction level

- Projects need to be properly vetted by the agency or jurisdiction that submits them to the MIC for inclusion in the TIP — so that public concerns can come forward for resolution before they are proposed for federal funding.

Comments? Questions?