RESOLUTION 26-13

OF THE

DULUTH-SUPERIOR METROPOLITAN INTERSTATE COUNCIL

Resolution and Self-Certification

Approving the 2027 – 2030 Transportation Improvement Program
for the Duluth, Minnesota Metropolitan Planning Area
and
Certifying that the metropolitan transportation planning process for the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Planning Area is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of 23 CFR § 450.336(a).

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to develop, adopt, and approve a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for their metropolitan planning areas, reflecting the investment priorities established in the current Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and covering a period of no less than four years; and

WHEREAS, the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council (MIC) Policy Board serves as the MPO for the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, the MIC has developed the 2027-2030 Duluth-Area TIP in cooperation with local jurisdictions, the Duluth Transit Authority, State Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit (FTA) Administration; and

WHEREAS, the draft 2027-2030 Duluth-Area TIP was released for a 30-day public comment period, published on the MIC's website for public review and included at least one public meeting in accordance with the MIC's Public Involvement Plan, and all comments received were documented and addressed in the final TIP; and

WHEREAS, the 2027-2030 Duluth-Area TIP includes all projects proposed for funding under 23 USC and 49 USC, as well as regionally significant projects funded with other federal funds and/or non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, all projects included in the 2027-2030 Duluth-Area TIP are consistent with the MIC's current long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), and once implemented will make progress toward achieving the performance targets established under § 450.306(d); and

WHEREAS, the 2027-2030 Duluth-Area TIP includes a fiscally constrained financial plan demonstrating alignment between the revenues that are reasonably expected to be made available and the costs of programmed improvements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 23 CFR § 450.336(a), the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council hereby certifies that its metropolitan transportation planning process complies with all applicable federal requirements, including:

(1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;

(2) In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;

(3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;

(4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in employment or business opportunity;

(5) Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;

(6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;

(7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;

(8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;

(9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and

(10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council hereby adopts and approves the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program for the Duluth, Minnesota Metropolitan Planning Area and certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process for the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Planning Area is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of 23 CFR § 450.336(a).

ATTEST:



Wayne Boucher, Minnesota Co-Chair



Nick Baker, Wisconsin Co-Chair



Ron Chicka, MIC Director

October 21, 2026

Date