

MEMORANDUM

Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Date: April 18, 2024
To: AAMPO Technical Advisory Committee
From: Billy McGregor, AAMPO Staff
Re: Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Revisions

Action Requested

Decision by Technical Advisory Committee regarding Full Amendment to project 23596.

Overview

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update on recent revisions to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) relevant to the Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO). A summary table of recent revisions can be found on the following page.

Background on the STIP and MTIP

The STIP is the Oregon Department of Transportation's capital improvement plan for state and federally-funded transportation projects. The current STIP (FY2021-2024) went into effect October 1, 2020 and expires September 30, 2024. AAMPO acts as the regional coordinator to the STIP helping ensure that revisions and other adjustments are processed appropriately. AAMPO also maintains a Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) which is consistent with the STIP.

Revision Types

There are three types of STIP and MTIP revisions processed by AAMPO, listed below. Additional details on STIP and MTIP amendments can be found in the AAMPO MTIP policy [HERE](#).

- **Full Amendments:** Require the greatest level of scrutiny and are brought to the Policy Board for discussion and approval. The TAC makes a recommendation to the Policy Board regarding approval of the amendment and also determines what level public outreach is necessary. At a minimum, the item will be reviewed by the TAC and placed on the next Policy Board agenda, which comes with notification requirements. Additional items for consideration include provision of a public comment period (two weeks), holding a public meeting, and any other actions deemed advisable by the TAC.
- **Administrative Amendment:** Require less scrutiny and are usually familiar to local staff members. Administrative amendments are brought to the TAC for discussion and approval. The Policy Board is notified of Administrative Amendments at their next regularly scheduled meeting.
- **Adjustment:** For minor changes, AAMPO staff has the authority to approve adjustments. Adjustments do not require committee approval or public notice.

STIP Revisions

Row	Revision Type/Amendment	Project Key Number/s & Name/s	Project Description	Revision Information/Amendment Detail
1	Preemptive/ Full Amendment 24-27-0758	23596 US20: Scenic Drive to North Albany Road (Albany)	Phase 3 work will develop to the design acceptance package milestone (DAP) and include safety improvements, stormwater treatments, signage and marking upgrades at the rail crossing.	Create a new project from projects 21191 and 22302, with new key number and name.

Additional Information

Background:

The U.S. 20 Safety upgrades project was a House Bill 2017 project to make safety improvements on the corridor between Albany to Corvallis. The project was split into three phases defined by location. The design for the three phases, and construction of Phase 1 was covered under the original key number, KN21191. A second key number, KN22302, was created to deliver construction of Phase 2.

With both Phase 1 and Phase 2 construction complete, we are asking for a new key number and name to continue design and future potential construction of Phase 3. Phase 3 work will develop to the design acceptance package milestone (DAP) and include safety improvements, stormwater treatments, signage and marking upgrades at the rail crossing.

As Phase 3 nears DAP, more investigation and alternatives analysis is needed. Moving the work to a new key number will:

- Better portray the actual project location of the project.
- Simplify tracking and environmental documentation for current and future work.
- Provide transparency while looking for future funding opportunities.

Contingent

This project is a preemptive approval request contingent on initial approval from ODOT's Delivery and Operations Division Administrator. The purpose of this preemptive approval is to allow immediate approval if the project receives approval from ODOT's Delivery and Operations Division Administrator.