# Major Amendment #3 to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Green Bay Urbanized Area



Brown County Planning Commission/ Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Green Bay Urbanized Area September 2017



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A full copy of the TIP and subsequent amendments and/or administrative modifications can be found on the Brown County Planning Commission website at http://www.co.brown.wi.us/. Click on Departments, Planning, Transportation, and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Green Bay Urbanized Area.



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<u>On the Cover</u>: Bus 1501. Green Bay Metro was awarded federal Surface Transportation Program-Urban (STP-U) funds by the Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors in 2014 for the purchase of three 40' Gillig buses. The STP-U funds covered 80% of the total cost and the buses were introduced to the public in late 2015.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-07**

#### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BROWN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVING MAJOR AMENDMENT #3 TO THE 2017-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE GREEN BAY URBANIZED AREA

WHEREAS, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations require the development and annual endorsement of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for each urbanized area by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, In accordance with 23 CFR 450.334(a) the Brown County Planning Commission (BCPC) hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process is addressing major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- 1. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- 2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- 3. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, and national origin, in employment or business opportunity;
- Sections 1101(b) of the FAST Act (P.L. 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the US DOT funded projects;
- 5. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- 6. 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;
- 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;
- 8. Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- 9. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities

WHEREAS, the BCPC is the designated MPO for the Green Bay Urbanized Area with responsibility for carrying out an urban transportation planning program; and

WHEREAS, the BCPC Board of Directors is the Green Bay MPO's policy board.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the BCPC Board of Directors approves Amendment #3 to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Green Bay Urbanized Area.

**NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the MPO planning process is compliant with the requirements of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) and that the BCPC certifies that the urban transportation planning process certification requirements of 23 CFR 450.114 (c) are satisfied.

Dated at Green Bay, Wisconsin, this 6th day of September 2017.

BROWN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Norbert Dantinne, Jr., President

ATTEST:

Chuck Lamine, AICP, Planning Director

### **Amendment Requests**

### <u>FTA</u>

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Green Bay Metro requested that the Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors/Green Bay MPO amend the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Green Bay Urbanized Area to reflect federal funding assigned to two new projects.

Primary Jurisdiction	Project Description	Type of		SFY	2017		Detail
Project Sponsor		Cost	Federal	State	Local	Total	
Green Bay Metro	Facility Rehabilitation and Renovations	CONST	495	0	124	619	Project added to the 2017-2021 TIP
		TOTAL	495	0	124	619	
158-17-105 (2017)			Section 5	5339			
Green Bay Metro	Security Enhancements	EQUIP	120	0	30	150	Project increased by \$50,000; Additional elements added to project scope. This project was
158-17-106 (2017)		TOTAL	120 Section {	0	30	150	listed in the 2017-2021 TIP as <i>Illustrative</i> .
Green Bay Metro	Paratransit Software	EQUIP	72	0	18	90	
		TOTAL	72 Section 5	0	18	90	Project removed from TIP; Funds added to the <i>Facility</i> catagory for roof repair

Projects in \$1,000s

### <u>WisDOT</u>

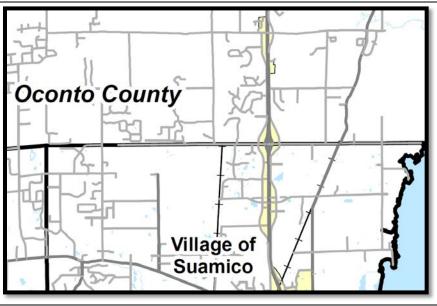
The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) requested that the Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors/Green Bay MPO amend the *2017-2021 TIP* to reflect an additional project funded under the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). The project is located within the Green Bay Urbanized Area.

Primary Jurisdiction	Project Description	Type of		Jan - Deo	2017	
Project Sponsor		Cost	Federal	State	Local	Total
WisDOT	Ashland Avenue n/o West Mason Wisconsin Central Railroad Installation of Warning Devices Railroad Signals and Gates OCR Ordered Project	CONST	303	0	0	303
158-17-014 (2017)	1009-87-00 0.00 miles P		303 HSIP-Rail	0	0	303
WisDOT	I-41*	DESIGN				0
	Green Bay - Oconto	RE				0
	Brown Rd north into Oconto Co Installation of new Cable Guard	CONST	2,762	416	0	3,177
158-17-015 (2017)	1150-68-71 9.00 miles P	TOTAL	2,762 HSIP	416	0	3,177

Project	in	\$1	,000s
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\* Portion of the project is located within the Green Bay Urbanized Area in Oconto County.

# Portions of Oconto County along I-41 within the Green Bay Urbanized Area (shaded yellow)



Note: The US Census defines urbanized area boundaries.

**Public Comment Period and Public Hearing** 

MPO staff conducted a 15-day public comment period and a public hearing was held on September 6, 2017. The public participation documents can be seen in the appendices of this amendment report.

#### **Fiscal Constraint Demonstration**

The projects contained in Amendment #3 to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Green Bay Urbanized Area are fiscally constrained as per federal requirements.

F	Funding Source		Prog	rammed Expe	nditures			Estima	ted Available	Funding	
Agency	Program	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
FHWA	STBG (MPO Allocation)	\$3,507,000	\$652,000	\$10,110,000	\$2,536,000	\$16,805,000	\$3,507,000	\$652,000	\$10,110,000	<b>\$2</b> ,536,000	\$16,805,000
	STBG (WisDOT)	\$9,834,000	\$854,000	\$854,000	\$854,009	\$12,396,009	9,834,000	854,000	854,000	854,009	\$12,396,009
	STP Flex	0	380,000	595,000	0	\$975,000	0	380,000	595,000	0	\$975,000
	HSIP	4,124,000	371,000	716,000	240,000	\$5,451,000	4,124,000	371,000	716,000	240,000	\$5,451,000
	NHPP	18,930,000	11,507,000	1,888,000	560,000	\$32,885,000	18,930,000	11,507,000	1,888,000	560,000	\$32,885,000
	ТА	248,000	350,694	0	0	\$598,694	248,000	350,694	0	0	\$598,694
	Total	\$36,643,000	\$14,114,694	\$14,163,000	\$4,190,009	\$69,110,703	\$36,643,000	\$14,114,694	\$14,163,000	\$4,190,009	\$69,110,703
FTA	Section 5307	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$8,472,000	\$2,118,000	\$2, <mark>1</mark> 18,000	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$8,472,000
	Section 5310	161,014	0	0	0	\$161,014	161,014	0	0	0	\$161,014
	Section 5339	831,000	0	0	0	\$831,000	831,000	0	0	0	\$831,000
	Total	\$3,110,014	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$9,464,014	\$3,110,014	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$2,118,000	\$9,464,014

#### Major Amendment #3 to the 2017-2021 TIP Summary of Federal Funding Programmed and Funds Available Fiscal Constraint Worksheet - Four Year Requirement\*

\* Several projects were approved under MAP-21 and will be implemented under FAST Act. STP renamed Surface Transportation Block Grant Program in Fast Act.

## BCPC Board of Directors Transportation Subcommittee (MPO Technical Advisory Committee)

Transportation Subcommittee members were provided the draft amendment document. No comments were received.

#### **BCPC Board of Directors (MPO Policy Board)**

The Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors approved the amendment on September 6, 2017.

## **Appendix A**

#### **Email Message Sent to Interested Parties**

Dear Interested Party:

You are invited to comment and are advised of a public hearing on *Draft Major Amendment #3 to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Green Bay Urbanized Area.* 

A digital version of the Draft Major Amendment #3 document can be viewed by clicking on the following link:

http://www.public.applications.co.brown.wi.us/Plan/PlanningFolder/Transpotation/TIP/Amendment3-ReportSeptember2017.pdf

If you would like to review a hard copy of the document, copies are available for review at:

Brown County Planning Commission Planning and Land Services Department 305 East Walnut Street, Room 320 Green Bay, WI 54301

The public review period and comment period will occur between August 23, 2017, and September 6, 2017.

If you would like to submit comments, please mail or email your comments by September 6, 2017, to:

Lisa J. Conard, Senior Planner Brown County Planning Commission Planning and Land Services Department PO Box 23600 Green Bay, WI 54305-3600 <u>conard lj@co.brown.wi.us</u>

You can also submit comments by telephone or through the Brown County Planning Commission/Green Bay MPO Facebook Page. The telephone number and Facebook link are shown at the end of this message.

A public hearing regarding the draft TIP amendment will take place on:

Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Green Bay Metro Transportation Center 901 University Avenue Green Bay, WI 54302

Immediately following the hearing, the Draft Major Amendment #3 will be presented to the Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors (MPO Policy Board) for approval consideration.

Thank you for your interest in the Green Bay MPO.

Sincerely,

Lisa J. Conard, Senior Planner Brown County Planning Commission/Green Bay MPO 305 East Walnut Street, Room 320 Green Bay, WI 54301 Phone: (920) 448-6489 Email: <u>Conard LJ@co.brown.wi.us</u> Website: <u>www.co.brown.wi.us/planning</u>



## Appendix B

MINUTES BROWN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS Wednesday, September 6, 2017 Green Bay Metro Transportation Center 901 University Avenue, Commission Room Green Bay, WI 54302 6:30 p.m.

#### Item #4 on the agenda

**Overview and Public Hearing**: Draft 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Green Bay Urbanized Area.

L. Conard provided an overview of the Draft 2018-2022 TIP for the Green Bay Urbanized Area via PowerPoint.

*Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act),* the current federal transportation law, requires that MPO prepare a TIP annually.

A TIP contains a five-year program of projects including the following:

- Highway & road projects
- Public transit operating & capital
- Transportation services for seniors & individuals with disabilities including vehicles, mobility management and operations
- Transportation facilities bicycle lanes, sidewalks, trails and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) activities

L. Conard noted that the TIP includes projects that fall under nine different federal funding programs.

Programs that the MPO determines what projects are funded include:

- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)
- Transportation Alternatives (TA)
- Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities

Programs that the federal highway or federal transit determines what projects are funded include:

- National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)
- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)
- Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
- Highway Safety Improvement Program Railroad Safety (HSIP)
- Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program
- Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program

L. Conard reviewed some of the projects that have been funded with federal funds.

- I-41 Expansion
- Green Bay Metro has applied for both capital items and operations
- Specialized Transportation Vehicles
- Bus Shelters
- Mobility Management Program
- Transportation Alternatives Fox River Trail

L. Conard indicated that last year, over \$49 million in federal transportation funds were invested in the urbanized area.

Year	Federal Funds*
2016	\$49,186,270
2015	\$15,752,581
2014	\$42,046,606
2013	\$122,343,609
2012	\$84,605,218

\* Project may extend beyond urban area boundary.

L. Conard stated that one of the programs that the MPO has authority over is the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program. It's a federal funding program allocated to the urbanized areas based on a population formula. L. Conard stated that a variety of transportation projects are eligible. MPO staff works with local entities to identify projects that are eligible. Projects are ranked and staff works with the Transportation Subcommittee to come up with a list of recommendations and staff brings those recommendations to the BCPC Board, typically every other year in October.

L. Conard reviewed the funding cycle and programming. We are given \$17 million to spend over a 5year period, and every two years we revisit that \$17 million. However, past years projects have been approved that still haven't been constructed, and L. Conard indicated there were 7 projects totaling \$13 Million. L. Conard stated the WisDOT has not given staff the exact dollar amount for this cycle, but will be approximately \$4.3 Million.

L. Conard stated that staff will return at the October meeting and ask the board to allocate that \$4.3 Million to specific projects. L. Conard reviewed some of the STBG eligible projects.

L. Conard reviewed the TIP process:

	TIP Schedule
1.	Staff collects project information from area agencies & jurisdictions &
	writes the draft document – June & July
2.	30-day Public Review & Comment Period – August 23rd – Sept. 21st
3.	Staff provides TIP overview to the BCPC BOD & conducts the Public
	Hearing - September 6 <sup>th</sup>
4.	Environmental Consultation with Resource Agencies – Sept. 18th
5.	BCPC Transportation Subcommittee – Sept. 18 <sup>th</sup>
6.	BCPC BOD approval consideration – Oct.4 <sup>th</sup>
7.	Staff demonstration of Fiscal Constraint to WisDOT, FTA, & FHWA
8.	Approval consideration by WisDOT – late fall/early winter
9.	Incorporation into the STIP - publication in early 2018

L. Conard opened up the public hearing for the TIP and program projects for comment.

C. Conard asked three times if anyone wished to speak. Hearing no comment, L. Conard closed the public hearing.

## Appendix C

## Legal Notice Affidavit

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## **Comments Received**

No comments were received during the public review period.