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SEMCOG invites public comment on an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, announces the public comment period for an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a list of specific projects which implement the policies of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), a long-range vision and strategy that directs investment in the regional transportation system. TIP projects are recommended by cities, villages, county road agencies, transit providers, and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) over a four-year period. SEMCOG's Executive Committee makes the final approval of the TIP project list.

Background

Amendment 25:3 revises 20 phases:

- 9 Additions
- 2 Cost Changes
- 7 Deletions
- 2 Length Change

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All revisions will be incorporated in the RTP. This amendment, as proposed, primarily pertains to changes in projects related to bridge and pavement preservation, safety, and resilience enhancements. No capacity changes are proposed.

Amendment evaluations

The amendment requires all proposed projects undergo a series of evaluations, including identification of financial resources, an air quality conformity analysis, an assessment for consistency with the regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) architecture and Congestion Management Process, and a public comment process.

Project details and evaluation results are available on <u>SEMCOG's TIP webpage</u> or by contacting SEMCOG's Information Center at 313-324-3330.

How to comment

Please address written comments to SEMCOG Information Center, 1001 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1400, Detroit, MI 48226; send faxes to 313-961-4869; call 313-324-3330, or email lnfoCenter@semcog.org. Comments can also be made during the following in-person meetings, in which the amendment will be considered:

- <u>Transportation Coordinating Council</u>, Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., 1001 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1400, Detroit, MI 48226;
- Executive Committee, Friday, July 25, 2025, 1 p.m., 1001 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1400, Detroit, MI 48226.

Coverage of this notice

Public notice of public participation activities and time established for public review of, and comments on, the TIP will satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

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Transportation Coordinating Council

DATE: July 25, 2025

TO: Executive Committee

SUBJECT: Recommended Approval of an Amendment to the FY 2023-2026 to the

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Summary of action requested

The Transportation Coordinating Council recommends Executive Committee approval of FY 23-26 TIP Amendment 25:3 (Full).

Background

The <u>Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)</u> is a list of specific projects which implement the policies of the <u>2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)</u>, a long-range vision and strategy that directs investment in the regional transportation system. TIP projects are recommended by cities, villages, county road agencies, transit providers, and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) over a four-year period. SEMCOG's Executive Committee makes the final approval of the TIP project list.

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FY 23-26 TIP Amendment 25:3 (Full)

This amendment is reserved for FY 2025 projects only due to the transition to the FY 2026-2029 TIP.

Amendment 25:3 revises 20 phases:

- 9 Additions
- 2 Cost Changes
- 7 Deletions
- 2 Length Changes
- No GPAs require amendment

All revisions will be incorporated in the RTP. This amendment, as proposed, primarily pertains to changes in projects related to bridge and pavement preservation and bike/pedestrian enhancements. No capacity changes are proposed.

Amendment evaluations

The amendment requires all proposed projects undergo a series of evaluations – identification of financial resources, air quality conformity analysis, environmental justice analysis, environmental sensitivity review, assessment for consistency with the regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) architecture, and a public comment process. The results of these evaluations are summarized below:

- The fiscal constraint analysis indicates the RTP and TIP remain fiscally constrained.
- An updated air quality conformity analysis was **not** required for this amendment since none of the proposed projects were designated as *not exempt* from the requirement to determine conformity by the Michigan Transportation Conformity Interagency Workgroup (MITC-IAWG).
- The projects are consistent with the regional Congestion Management Process.

The public comment period for the amendment officially began on July 10, 2025 and will end with Executive Committee action on July 25, 2025.

Actions requested

The Transportation Coordinating Council recommends Executive Committee approval of FY 23-26 TIP Amendment 25:3 (Full).

Executive Committee Resolution to Amend the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program for Southeast Michigan

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) supports this vision:

All the people of Southeast Michigan benefit from a connected, thriving region of small towns, dynamic urban centers, active waterfronts, diverse neighborhoods, premiere educational institutions, and abundant agricultural, recreational, and natural areas.

WHEREAS, SEMCOG is responsible for developing a long-range regional transportation plan

and a Transportation Improvement Program that funds projects to implement the plan;

WHEREAS, the 2050 RTP was developed pursuant to the transportation planning provisions of Title 23 of United States Code (USC) Section 134 and Title 49 USC Section 5303;

WHEREAS, the 2050 RTP requires periodic updates to include projects not fully developed at the time the 2050 RTP was originally adopted, to take advantage of new funding and reflect changing priorities;

WHEREAS, SEMCOG is required to develop amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP pursuant to Title 23 of the United States Code (USC) Section 134;

WHEREAS, the 2050 RTP and FY 2023-2026 TIP were analyzed in accordance with 40 CFR 51 for air quality conformity and found not to exceed present and future emission budgets in all analysis years;

WHEREAS, the amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP are consistent with the 2050 RTP policies, were financially constrained to identified funding resources, and the amendment process actively encouraged public and agency review and comment;

WHEREAS, SEMCOG certifies that all projects funded in total or in part with State Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) Category C funds are eligible for funding under PA 231 of 1987, as amended, and meet the goals and objectives of the program;

WHEREAS, General Program Accounts (GPA) are used to group smaller, routine transportation projects together in the TIP;

WHEREAS, when the total cost of projects programmed in a GPA equals or exceeds 115% of the GPA's currently authorized amount, that GPA needs to be amended;

WHEREAS, SEMCOG has determined that the amendment to the 2050 RTP and the FY 2023-2026 TIP conform to the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality as required by provisions of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 51 and Title 23 CFR 450;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this 25th day of July, 2025 THAT the Executive Committee of SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, approves the amendment of projects to the 2050 RTP and FY 2023-2026 TIP;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Executive Committee of SEMCOG approves the amendment of the GPAs in the FY2023-2026 TIP;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Executive Committee of SEMCOG submits this amendment to the 2050 RTP and the FY 2023-2026 TIP to the Michigan Department of Transportation, as designee for the Governor's Office of the State of Michigan, for review and transmittal to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy; Michigan Department of Natural Resources; Federal Highway Administration; Federal Transit Administration; and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ATTEST:	DATE: July 25, 2025
Committee Clerk	

SEMCOG FY 23-26 TIP Amendment 25:3 (Full) DRAFT Project List

Line Item	Fiscal Year	Job no.	Amendment # (CR #)	Job Type	Phase	County	Responsible Agency	Project Name	Limits	Lengt h	Primary work Type	Project Description	Advance Construct	AC Budget	ACC Federal Years Budget	Federal Fund Source	State Budget	Local Budget	Total Phase Cost	Amendment Type	Air Quality
1	2025	220843	1	Local	CON	Monroe	Monroe	E 1st St	East First Street	0.637	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	HMA Mill and Fill	No		\$8	ST	\$ 0	\$2	\$10	Delete	Exempt
2	2025	224666	0	Local	CON	Wayne	Detroit	US-12	Cass Ave to Woodward	0.289	Two course asphalt	Rehabilitation	No		\$5,000,000	RAIS	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	Add	Exempt
3	2025	221323	2	Local	CON	Oakland	Novi	Beck Rd	ITC Corridor connecting to Bosco Fields	1.402	NAW Facilities	Bosco Fields/ITC Connector Pathway Construction	No		\$1,160,020	TAU	\$0	\$290,005	\$1,450,025	Cost Change	Exempt
4	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	PE	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$91,832	ST	\$20,364	\$ 0	\$112,196	Add	Exempt
5	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	PE	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$91,832	ST	\$20,364	\$0	\$112,196	Delete	Exempt
6	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	PES	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$1,120,922	ST	\$917,475	\$0	\$2,038,397	Add	Exempt
7	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	PES	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$1,120,922	ST	\$917,475	\$0	\$2,038,397	Delete	Exempt
8	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	CON	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$7,317,474	ST	\$1,622,629	\$0	\$8,940,103	Delete	Exempt
9	2025	224671	2	Trunkline	ROW	Wayne	MDOT	M-10 E	under Merrick Avenue Pedestrian Bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement, Bridge Approach Ramps	n No		\$20,463	ST	\$4,538	\$0	\$25,001	Delete	Exempt
10	2025	202543	23	Trunkline	UTL	Wayne	MDOT	I-94 E	from Burns Avenue to Barrett Avenue, includes local service drives, City of Detroit	1.019	Reconstruction	Road Reconstrution	No		\$204,625	ST	\$45,357	\$0	\$249,982	Add	Exempt
11	2025	208609	31	Trunkline	CON	Wayne	MDOT	I-94	Wayne Road to Middlebelt Road	7.152	Reconstruction	Reconstruct	No		\$17,291,234	IM	\$161,747,742	\$0	\$179,038,976	Length Change	Exempt
12	2025	208609	28	Trunkline	ROW	Wayne	MDOT	I-94	Wayne Road to Middlebelt Road	5.874	Reconstruction	Reconstruct	No		\$0		\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	Delete	Exempt
13	2025	211426	27	Trunkline	ROW	Wayne	MDOT	I-94	Middlebelt Rd to Beech Daly Rd	1.708	Reconstruction	Reconstruct	No		\$81,850	NH	\$18,150	\$0	\$100,000	Delete	Exempt
14	2025	221839	0	Trunkline	CON	Oakland	MDOT	M-59 E	M-59 EB at Ormond Rd	0.571	Reconstruction	4R Reconstruction No Added Capacity	No		\$3,826,488	NH	\$848,513	\$0	\$4,675,000	Add	Exempt
15	2025	222966	2	Local	CON	Wayne	Romulus	Cogswell Rd	south of Van Born Road to south of Ecorse Road	1.316	Reconstruction	Concrete Reconstruction	No		\$500,000	EAR	\$0	\$125,000	\$625,000	Length Change	Exempt
16	2025	224026	0	Trunkline	PE	Wayne	MDOT	I-94 W	WB I-94 from west of Monroe Blvd to east of Clippert St	0.51	Operation Improvements	New Noise Wall	No		\$654,800	NH	\$145,200	\$ 0	\$800,000	Add	Exempt
17	2025	224519	0	Trunkline	PE	Wayne	MDOT	M-10	under Canfield Ave pedestrian bridge	0	Rridde Reniacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement	No		\$34,605	CRU	\$7,673	\$0	\$42,278	Add	Exempt

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18	3 2	2025	224519	0	Trunkline	PES	Wayne	MDOT	1\/1=1()	under Canfield Ave pedestrian bridge	0	Bridge Replacement	Pedestrian Bridge Replacement	No			\$405,746	CRU	\$89,973	\$0	\$495,719	Add	Exempt
19) 2	2025	224591	0	Trunkline	CON	Monroe	MDOT	l-275	I-75 to Wayne/Monroe County Line	, , , ,	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	Mill and single course overlay	No			\$10,800,000	IM	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$12,000,000	Add	Exempt
20) 2	2025	222762	1	Local	CON	Wayne	Wayne	Willow Rd	Willow Rd Culvert/Desbrow Drain E. of Sumpter Rd, Sumpter Township, MI.	0.065	Reconstruction	Willow Rd/Desbrow Drain Culvert Replacement	Yes, ACC	226400	2026	\$509,400	STL	\$0	\$353,750	\$863,150	Cost Change	Exempt

These seven core policies, found on page 2 of the Vision 2050 RTP, have been designed to create a safe, equitable, and resilient transportation system:

- **1. Preserve** Use asset management practices, technology, and cost-effective transportation solutions to preserve infrastructure.
- 2. Safety Increase safety for all travelers, especially for the most vulnerable road users.
- **3. Equity** Ensure equitable access regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, physical or cognitive ability, or income.
- **4. Shared Prosperity** Promote a thriving regional economy by facilitating seamless movement of goods, efficient trade connections, enhancing labor mobility, and fostering tourism and local placemaking.
- **5. Resilience** Integrate infrastructure coordination, equitable stormwater management, and comprehensive resiliency planning into the transportation system to achieve greater public health and environmental benefits.
- **6. Education** Educate and foster collaboration among local governments, transportation agencies, utility providers, and residents to enhance knowledge about and efficiency of the transportation system.
- **7. Funding** Increase funding and broaden local options to ensure adequate resources and coordination for meeting regional transportation needs to achieve fiscal sustainability.

Phase Abbreviations:

CON = Construction

EPE = Early Preliminary Engineering

PE = Preliminary Engineering

ROW = Right of Way

UTL = Utility

Fund S	Source Abbreviations:				
5307	CTF Urbanized Formula	CRU	Carbon Reduction Program > 200K IIJA	NHFI	National Highway Freight Intersate
5310	CTF Elderly And Disabled	CTF	Comprehensive Transportation Fund	NHFP	National Higway Freight Program
5311	CTF Non Urban Formula	EAR	Federal/Congressional Spending Item (Earmark)	NHG	National Highway Safety100% Federal
5337	CTF State Of Good Repair	EDA	Econ Development Category A	OP11	5311 Rural Areas Operating Assistance
5339	CTF Bus and Bus Facilities	EDC	Econ Development Category C	PRO	PROTECT Program
BFP	Bridge Formula Program	EDD	Econ Development Category D	ST	Surface Transportation Any Area
BFPI	Bridge Formula Program on the Interstate	EDF	Econ Development Category F	STG	Surface Trans Safety 100% Fed For ST-Items
BFPO	Bridge Formula Program Off-System	EMRP	Earmarks Re-purposed	STL	Surface Transportation Rural
ВНТ	Bridge Rehab Surface Transportation	HRRR	High Risk Rural Roads HSIP	STPF	STP Flex for the Local Program
ВО	Bridge Not Classified Off System	HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement	STPR	Surface Transportation Program- Rural
BOI	Bridge Off System Interstate - No Added Capacity	IM	Interstate Maintenance No Added Lanes	STU	Surface Trans Urban Areas > 200K Pop
BRT CM CMG CPM CPMG	Bridge Replacement Surface Transportation Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Congestion Mitigation 100% Federal CMAQ Projects To Reduce PM 2.5 Emissions	INFR LBBI M MNMP er NH	INFRA Grants Local Bridge Bundling Initiative. Michigan Funds Michigan Betterment Michigan Non-Motorized Program Set-Aside National Highway System	STUL SUG TA TAU VRU	Surface Trans Urban Areas < 200K Pop Local Surface Trans Safety 100% Fed For STU-Items Transportation Alternatives Program Flex Transportation Alternatives Urban Areas > 200K Pop Vulnerable Road Users

SEMCOG MITC-IAWG Meeting – 25-3 (Full) TIP Amendment

Summary of June 2nd, 2025 Call

Participants:

FHWA: Jenny Staroska

MDOT: Richard Bayus, Donna Wittl, Andrea Strach, James VanSteel, Ellie Brand, Nichole Singh

EGLE: Breanna Bukowski WATS: Nick Sapkiewicz

SEMCOG: Steve Brudzinski, Allison Racisz, Saima Masud, Chris Williams, Michele

Fedorowicz, Madison Penque

On June 2nd, 2025, the Michigan Transportation Conformity Interagency Workgroup (MITC-IAWG) conducted a Zoom call to review the proposed 2025 June amendment project list for SEMCOG's Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (FY 26-29 TIP) and the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (2050 RTP). The purpose of the call was to determine the projects being amended to the FY 26-29 TIP and/or 2050 RTP would trigger the need for a new transportation conformity analysis and, if so, which need to be included in that analysis.

Overall, this project list only featured 9 unique job numbers, the discussion held was brief. During the call, the group discussed the amendment list in general and focused on the following project in more detail.

• JN 208609 – a trunkline reconstruction project with a length of 7.2 miles within the limits of Wayne Road to Middlebelt Road. Concern was expressed over the length of the project with being given an "Exempt" status. Context was given to the project construction length amendment due to three ramps being added. The group was unsure from the Jobnet description if additional cost funding was sourced from federal or state dollars.

All project on the list were given "Exempt" status, for which the group concurred with. A new conformity analysis is <u>not</u> needed for SEMCOG's 25-3 TIP amendment.

The meeting was adjourned.