MEMORANDUM

TO: Dane County Mayors, Village Presidents, and Town Chairs (email)  
Dane County Executive  
MATPB Technical Coordinating Committee Members (email)  
Other Local Public Works Directors in Dane County (email)

FROM: William Schaefer, Transportation Planning Manager

DATE: April 17, 2020

RE: Request for 2021-2025 Project Listings by Friday, June 12 for Transportation Improvement Program Update

The Madison Area Transportation Planning Board (MATPB) – A Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), responsible for cooperative transportation planning and decision making for the Madison metropolitan planning area, is requesting state, county, and local units of government to submit transportation projects for inclusion in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area and Dane County.

MATPB updates the TIP annually. The TIP is the staged, coordinated multi-year program of transportation improvements and includes specific projects proposed for implementation during the first four program years. The fifth year of projects is informational.

Projects proposed to be implemented with federal or state funds and other regionally significant projects (e.g., major capacity expansion of arterial roadway) must be included in the TIP. MATPB also seeks to include locally funded projects on regionally designated arterial and collector streets (see functional classification map here) and bicycle path projects for information and coordination purposes.

To achieve this comprehensive listing, it is requested that project listings and other information be submitted via email or mail to the MATPB office by Friday, June 12 to enable preparation of a coordinated listing of projects and allow for necessary inter-agency and public reviews prior to MATPB’s consideration of action. The MATPB office address and email contact for the TIP are:

Madison Area TPB, 100 State St., Suite 400  
Madison, WI 53703  
Email: dkanning@cityofmadison.com

The TIP implements the recommendations of MATPB’s Regional Transportation Plan 2050, including mode-specific and strategic plans such as the Bicycle Transportation Plan and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Strategic Plan. All TIP projects are evaluated to ensure inclusion (e.g., for major capacity expansion projects) or consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan.

With the move a few years ago to a biennial application cycle in conjunction with WisDOT’s local program cycle and the state budget, the MATPB will not be accepting project applications this year for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) (formerly STP) – Urban funding. Applications will be solicited next year for the 2022-2026 program cycle. Projects approved in that cycle will generally be for construction in 2025 or 2026, but could possibly be advanced to an earlier year if they can be ready and changes are needed to the schedule of approved projects.
A downloadable electronic TIP project listing form is available on the MPO website on the TIP page.

If you have any questions regarding this request, feel free to contact me at the MATPB office (Email: wschaefer@cityofmadison.com; Phone: 266-9115). Thank you in advance for your timely assistance.

Cc (via email):
- Dane County Clerks/Administrators
- Tom Koprowski, Michael Erickson, and Arthur Sommerfield, WisDOT SW Region
- Scott Korth and Wayne Block, Metro Transit
- MATPB (MPO) Members