



Battle Creek Area Transportation Study (BCATS)

***FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - AMENDMENT #8***

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**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS**

THE BATTLE CREEK AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS) HEREBY GIVES NOTICE of opportunity for public involvement in the eighth amendment to its *Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* for fiscal years (FYs) 2023-2026 (10/1/22–9/30/26), consisting of the following changes proposed by the Michigan Dept of Transportation (MDOT):

- 1)** Increasing the construction phase (CON) budget for 2026 bridge capital preventive maintenance (CPM) on the M-89 (Washington Ave) bridge over GTW railroad & Kalamazoo River, by 16.5% to \$1,321,000. 81.85% Federal Bridge Formula Program (BFP), 18.15% State of Michigan Betterment "M" funds; [\*\*\*JN-203293\*\*\*](#)
- 2)** Increasing the CON budget for 2026 bridge replacement at M-89 (Washington Ave) over the Battle Creek River, by 27.6% to \$6,185,049. 81.85% Fed BFP, 15.88% State "M", 2.27% Local-City of Battle Creek; [\*\*\*JN-213719\*\*\*](#)
- 3)** Advancing a Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Road Safety Audit of M-66 (Division St–Capital Ave NE, from I-194/Hamblin to Morgan Rd), from 2026 to 2024, and changing the Fed funding source from Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) to VRU. Total estimated budget \$25,000, 90% Fed VRU, 8.75% State "M", 1.25% Local-City BC; [\*\*\*JN-218819\*\*\*](#)
- 4)** Adding 2024 right-of-way (ROW), preliminary engineering (PE), and CON phases for road capital preventive maintenance (CPM) by milling & one course overlay on I-94BL (Michigan Ave E) from the Amtrak railroad crossing just east of Porter St to M-96 (Columbia Ave). Total estimated budgets: ROW \$2,000, PE \$50,000, CON \$1,177,000. Each 81.85% Fed National Highway System (NH), ROW & PE 18.15% State "M", CON 18.15% State of Michigan Non-Motorized Program Set-Aside (MNMP); [\*\*\*JN-219213\*\*\*](#)

**5)** Adding 2024 PE and 2025 CON phases for road CPM by crack seal on I-94BL/M-37 (Columbia Ave W) from I-94 to Skyline Dr, and on M-96 (Columbia Ave) from Helmer Rd to I-194/M-66. Total estimated budgets: PE \$6,250, CON \$88,000. Each 81.85% Fed Surface Transportation program (ST), 18.15% State "M"; **JN-219294**

**6)** Adding 2024 PE phase and 2025 ROW and CON phases for road CPM by milling & one course overlay on I-94BL (Main St–Hamblin–Michigan Ave E) from the E Dickman/Main St intersection to the Amtrak railroad crossing just east of Porter St. Total estimated budgets: ROW \$15,000, PE \$125,000, CON \$1,710,000. Each 81.85% Fed NH, ROW & PE 18.15% State "M", CON 18.15% State MNMP. **JN-219406**

Further details of the above listed changes, and other projects in the TIP, can be provided upon request and may also be found online at [www.bcatsmpo.org](http://www.bcatsmpo.org). Public comment on this TIP amendment is encouraged by e-mail to [bcats@bcatsmpo.org](mailto:bcats@bcatsmpo.org), or in-person within BCATS' 1/10/24 Technical Committee meeting or 1/24/24 Policy Committee meeting, each beginning at 1:30pm in the Springfield Municipal Building; call ahead or check BCATS' home page at [www.bcatsmpo.org](http://www.bcatsmpo.org) for details on attending and participating in those meetings. Comments will be accepted thru Policy Committee action on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Direct questions and/or comments to: BCATS, 601 Avenue A, Springfield, MI 49037; phone 269/963-1158, fax 269/963-4951, e-mail [bcats@bcatsmpo.org](mailto:bcats@bcatsmpo.org).

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- 1) **JN-203293**   2) **JN-2137199**   3) **JN-218819**   4) **JN-219213**  
5) **JN-219294**   6) **JN-219406**
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