

Battle Creek Area Transportation Study (BCATS)

FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - AMENDMENT #11

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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 eleventh amendment to its *Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* for fiscal years (FYs) 2023-2026 (10/1/22–9/30/26), consisting of the following <u>proposed</u> changes:

- **1)** Modifying a 2024 transit capital project of Community Action (CA), to replace only one light-duty bus/passenger van instead of two, and reducing the total budget accordingly from \$148,300 to \$80,194 [\$29,351 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Elderly & Disabled; \$7,338 State of Michigan Comprehensive Transportation Fund (CTF); \$43,505 Local (CA insurance)]; *JN-216659*
- **2)** Adding Statewide deployment of National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) funds for electric vehicle (EV) charging station construction, with forty-one sites identified Statewide in Phase 1 for construction by fall 2026. A single location announced in the BCATS area is at the Pilot Travel Center, on 11 Mile/Wheatfield Rd, northwest of the I-94 Exit 104 interchange, with an estimated total cost of \$502,450 (80% Fed NEVI program, 20% State of Michigan Betterment "M" funds); *JN-217941*
- **3)** Increasing the 2024 FTA Sec5307 Operating Assistance for Battle Creek Transit (BCT) by 35.3%, to \$1,977,553 in Fed funds, to be matched by \$1,977,553 in Local funds from BCT/City of Battle Creek; *JN-216643*
- **4)** Bringing a planned 2023 BCT bus stops/shelter replacement project forward into 2024, and adding newly identifed State funds to the project for increased cost. New estimated total budget \$468,750 (\$375,000 Highway Infrastructure Program COVID Relief; \$93,750 State CTF); *JN-212836*

- **5)** Abandoning a planned 2026 Calhoun County Road Dept rehabilitation project on Raymond Rd S, from Golden Ave northward to E River Rd, and replacing it with similar work on 6 Mile Rd, from B Dr S northward to the Emmett Twp line, at the identical estimated total cost of \$680,865 [81.85% Fed Surface Transportation Program Urban Local (STUL); 18.15% Local-CCRD]; and *JN-216611 (abandoned), new project JN TBD*
- **6)** Adding extra local funds to the CCRD's 2025 capital preventive maintenance project on B Dr N from 6½ Mi Rd eastward to Beadle Lake Rd, for increased cost. New estimated total budget \$667,851 (\$441,600 Fed STUL; \$97,924 standard Local match to Fed\$ from CCRD; \$128,327 additional Local funds from CCRD). **JN-218315**

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. Public comment on this TIP amendment is encouraged by e-mail to bcats@bcatsmpo.org, or in-person within BCATS' 7/10/24 Technical Committee meeting or 7/24/24 Policy Committee meeting, each beginning at 1:30pm in the Springfield Municipal Building; call ahead or check BCATS' home page at www.bcatsmpo.org for details on attending and participating in those meetings. Comments will be accepted thru Policy Committee action on July 24th. Direct questions and/or comments to: BCATS, 601 Avenue A, Springfield, MI 49037; phone 269/963-1158, e-mail bcats@bcatsmpo.org.

This text, the following list, and the bolded JN's following each item 1-6 within the notice text above were not printed in the notice as published.

1) JN-216659 2) JN-217941 3) JN-216643 4) N-212836 5) JN-216611 (abandoned), new project JN TBD 6) JN-218315