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SUBJECT: FY 2040 MPO Plan Revisions for I-196/I-96

Based on the meeting with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), MDOT and MPO staff on October 11th, and the changes noted in the MPO 2017-2022 TIP Amendment request for the I-196/I-96 reconstruction and operational improvement projects, MDOT is requesting a corresponding 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Administrative Modification.

MTP (Administrative Modification) Action requested:

Advance the following improvement projects from the MTP 2021-2030 planning year group into the 2018-2020 planning year group:

- **JN 45790: I-196;** Fuller to I-96 Junction – Reconstruction and Operational Improvements
 - **\$23,000,000**
- **JN 126499: I-196WB** bridge over I-96EB – Bridge Replacement and Operational Improvements
 - **\$17,000,000**

The following additional items in the Approved EA, will remain in the out-years of the MPO MTP (2021-2030 and/or 2031-2040):

- I-96 EB to I-196 WB, new ramp, including the required loop ramp construction at Leonard Street
- I-196 EB third lane from Fuller Avenue east to I-96
- Relocation of I-96 WB and EB through lanes into the current I-96 median, including separation of through and local/interchange lanes
- Third lane from GRE railroad bridge east to Cascade Road interchange on I-96 EB and WB
- I-96 WB off-ramp to M-21 and W/M lane to Cascade Rd. (Planned for 2020 construction)
- I-96 EB on-ramp from M-21 and W/M lane to Cascade Rd. (Planned for 2021 construction)
- Construction of new fly-over ramp, from I-196 EB to I-96 WB & replace Maryland Avenue bridge
- Construction of new ramp, I-196 WB @ Ottawa Avenue to US-131BR (Division Avenue), in coordination with the City of Grand Rapids
- Reconstruction and widening (from 4 to 6 lanes) of M-37/M-44 (East Beltline), from M-21 north to Knapp Street.