

TAC Agenda Item – November 15, 2012

PROJECT: 2 km N of Great Falls North UPN 4826 (Bootlegger Trail)

REQUEST: Additional Urban/MACI Funds for project

1.25 miles of added Urban Highway due to urban boundary change.

The Great Falls MPO had previously designated \$90,000 for construction of the urban portion of the Bootlegger project. Recently the urban limits were modified (final paperwork and approvals are still pending) and the new urban section is from Station 10+00 to 70+00. (1.38 miles vs 0.126 miles)

\$650,000 cost to construct

A turn lane is planned for a portion of the road, but MDT intends to have a property developer pay for the additional widening for the lane. Including all work identified so far (Plan-in-Hand Stage) it appears the total cost estimate for the portion of the project in the urban limits is \$650,048. This is construction cost only and does not include \$76,000 in construction engineering, \$84,000 of IDC, mobilization, contingency, cost of utilities, r/w or inflation. The developer is going to contribute \$100,000 and some R/W needed. Utility impacts are minimal.

\$460,000 unfunded balance

There is already \$103,922 (\$90,000 plus inflation and IDC) set aside in the TIP for the beginning of the project, leaving an unfunded balance for the URBAN section of approximately \$460,048. MDT would like to see additional URBAN funding added to construct the 1.25 miles of addition Urban highway. The project is due for construction in 2014. It appears there is a \$2 million positive balance in Urban that year. Also, there was a large bump in MAQI funds in 2012 leaving a balance of \$5.4 M in 2014. (As long as we are not adding through travel lanes MAQI funding has been used in the past for similar projects – see Rimrock Road in Billings)

Suggested Motion

That the Technical Advisory Committee approve \$460,000 of additional Urban or MAQI funding to the FFY 2014 TIP to facilitate construction of Bootlegger Trail, and recommend approval by PCC.