



Memo

To: Whatcom MPO/RTPO Transportation Policy Board (WTPB)
Date: June 4, 2025
From: Lethal Coe, Principal Planner
Subject: Review and consideration for approval - WCOG 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

Formal TIP Amendments require review and resolution from the Policy Board to amend the current TIP and make federal funding accessible. **Amendment #3 (25-06)** of the WCOG 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes the following:

1. Add WSDOT project *SR 542/Glacier Creek Bridge CED - Replace Bridge* to replace existing bridge over Glacier Creek with longer structure and provide fish passable stream. The project's preliminary engineering phase is scheduled to begin in 2025 and is funded through Surface Transportation Block Grant and state Motor Vehicle Account programs. The total estimated cost of the project is over \$36 million.
2. **[pending previous agenda item action]** Amend City of Everson's *SR 544 S. Everson Sidewalk Improvements* project to add regional Transportation Alternatives (TA) funds of \$300k and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds of \$880k to the construction phase and increase the overall construction phase cost estimate to \$4,506,427.
3. **[pending previous agenda item action]** Amend City of Everson's Blair Drive Improvements project to ~~reduce STBG funds by \$880k (swapped with local funds)~~ add regional STBG funds of \$1,044,320 to the construction phase and increase the overall construction phase cost estimate to \$2,825,939.

Modified TIP amendment 11
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Suggested Policy Board Action

"Approve Amendment #3 of the Whatcom Council of Governments 2025 Transportation Improvement Program."

WCOG TIP Amendment #3 (25-06) Table

#	Agency	Project Title	TIP Action	Added Funds	Total Cost	Source(s)
1	WSDOT	<i>SR 542/Glacier Creek Bridge CED - Replace Bridge</i>	Add new project	\$11,371,504	\$36,834,956	STBG and MVA
	Everson	<i>SR 544 S. Everson Sidewalk Improvements</i>	Amend to add federal funds and increase CN	955,539	6,318,510	TA, CRP, STBG, SRTS and TIB
	Everson	<i>Blair Drive Improvements</i>	Amend to decrease federal funds and increase construction	880,000 STBG (swap local) and 802,799 overall CN increase	3,226,646	STBG

Recent or Upcoming Administrative Modifications - Administrative modifications are less substantial project changes and are administered by WCOG staff. No Policy Board Actions are required.

Agency	Project	Modification Administered	Total Costs	Source
WCOG	<i>UPWP – SFY 2026</i>	Increase STBG funds	326,830	STBG(UM)