

October 26, 2020

Samantha Henningson
Climate Advisor/Project Manager
15 W Kellogg Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55102

SUBJECT: SP 164-080-017, MN Proj. CMAQ 6221(114)
St. Paul Electric Vehicle Carsharing Service
Project Memorandum Approval

Dear Ms. Henningson:

Your determination that this project is a Categorical Exclusion, in accordance with the 23 CFR 771.117 (c)(23i), is approved by the FHWA in accordance with the Mn/DOT-FHWA Programmatic Categorical Exclusion Approval Agreement (dated 5/1/2020). Location and Design are hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of the FHWA-Minnesota Stewardship Plan. A copy of the approved Project Memorandum is enclosed.

Submit construction plans, Engineer's estimate, Right-of-Way Certificate #1A, Request for Lab Services form, and copies of any required permits to your District State Aid Engineer when completed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-366-3825, or by e-mail at mike.scott@state.mn.us

Sincerely,

Michael P. Scott

Michael P. Scott, PE
Assistant Project Development Engineer

Enclosure

cc: Dan Erickson * - DSAE
Colleen Brown * - Metro District
Melissa Collins * - DNR
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SP(s) 164-080-017 **MN Proj. No(s).**: CMAQ 6221(114)

Project Location: UP TO 150 ELECTRONIC VEHICLE CARSHARE VEHICLE LEASES FOR 70 MOBILITY HUBS IN ST. PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

Project Purpose and Need: To provide an electric vehicle carsharing service in Saint Paul and Minneapolis. This service will complement and supplement the existing transit network and nonmotorized transportation options. This project will meet the need of a flexible, one-way carsharing option in the region.

Project Type: check all that apply¹

- ☐ Pavement Markings²
- ☐ Rumble Stripes
- ☐ Rumble Strips
- ☐ Signing Installation²
- ☐ Guardrail Installation
- ☐ Shoulder paving (No widening)
- ☐ Lighting
- ☒ No Construction (i.e. corridor study, preliminary engineering, signal timing contract, other professional technical service). Specify the non-construction activity type: vehicle leases
- ☐ SRTS Education/Enforcement

Project Manager

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¹ Any other type of work will require a short form or long form project memo

² Project will be designed in accordance with the MMUTCD

Highest Roadway Classification on the project: N/A

Estimated project costs

Federal amount	\$ <u>4,000,000</u>	
Federal amount other	\$ <u> </u>	
Other funds	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>	(St. Paul Local Funds)
Total Project cost	\$ <u>5,000,000</u>	

Project is listed in the STIP Years 2020-2023 State Transportation Improvement Program in Year 2021 as Sequence number 1522. A STIP Amendment was approved on 07/24/2020 to update project scope and cost.

Desired Month/Year to begin work October, 2020

Method of Execution of work.

- ☐ County/City will let work for competitive bids.
- ☒ City will purchase vehicle leases under a competitive process
- ☐ County/City will hire a consultant to perform a non-construction activity.
- ☐ County/City will use its own forces to perform a non-construction activity (attach PIF)

Environmental Impacts: Check appropriate boxes

Section 106 (Cultural Resources)

- ☐ No Historic Properties are affected (see attached letter) (No Adverse Effect or Adverse Effect will require a short form or long form project memo)
- ☒ Non-Construction Activity (No letter required if there is no ground disturbance)

Threatened & Endangered Species (determination letter required for all projects)

- ☒ Project will have no impact on federal threatened or endangered species (see attached letter)
- ☐ Project may affect, not likely to adversely affect federal threatened or endangered species (see attached letter)

Federal Action Determination Statement

Based on the environmental study in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117, it is determined that the proposed improvement is a Class II Action (categorical exclusion) anticipated to have no foreseeable change on the quality of the human environment.

Recommended:


paul. kurtz (Oct 21, 2020 13:45 CDT)

City Engineer

Oct 21, 2020

Date

Reviewed and Recommended



District State Aid Engineer

10/25/2020

Date

Approved

Elisa Bottos

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Director, State Aid for Local Transportation

10/26/2020

Date

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SP 164-080-017, ESA (Section 7) -- No Effect Determination

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Samantha,

I've reviewed the proposed action to purchase and/or lease electric vehicles for a carshare program in St. Paul and/or Minneapolis using FHWA funds. Based on the information provided, MnDOT on behalf of the FHWA, as made a determination of **No Effect** for the above referenced project / action (Consultation Code: 03E19000-2020-SLI-2361). No further action under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act is required. However, if information becomes available indicating that federally-listed species or designated critical habitat may be affected, or if project scope changes, please contact this office and consultation with the Service will be initiated if necessary.

Thank you,
-Chris

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Christopher E. Smith, M.Sc., CWB®

Wildlife Ecologist | Protected Species Program Coordinator

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