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MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Patsy Horton, Long Range Division Manager

DATE: June 5, 2012

RE: **Approval of Amendment #12-009 to the 2012-2016 Transportation Improvement Program**

Each year the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is required by the Federal Highway Administration to develop the Rapid City Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) cooperatively with the South Dakota Department of Transportation. This is a five year priority list and financial plan for highway, transit, and intermodal projects. It is intended to serve as a fiscal management tool to assist state and local agencies in matching transportation needs with resources.

The attached amendment identifies a request from the South Dakota Department of Transportation to include in the 2012-2016 Transportation Improvement Program preliminary engineering costs for the reconstruction of Pennington County Highway 14-16 from Westgate Road (Duster's Corner) east to Ellsworth Road in Box Elder and to change the length of the project from 2 miles to 3 miles. With this amendment, preliminary engineering work can begin in 2012 for the anticipated reconstruction of Highway 14-16 in 2016. The reconstruction project was identified as a safety improvement priority within the RapidTrip 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan adopted in 2010.

The attached amendment requests that the South Dakota Department of Transportation include the following new projects and revised projects in the 2012-2016 Transportation Improvement Program.

- 2012 – Statewide preliminary engineering \$100,000
- 2016 – Location description changed to Box Elder-Pennington Co Rd
14/16 from Westgate Rd (Duster's Corner) east to Ellsworth Road \$ 0

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the 2012-2016 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #12-009.

