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Bel-O-Mar Regional Council is proposing to revise the FY2024 - FY2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Fiscal Year programming is on a July 1 basis with FY2024 beginning July 1, 2023. Projects must be included in the local TIP and the State TIP to be eligible for federal funding. Bel-O-Mar is currently accepting public comments regarding the projects described below.

As requested by ODOT, the following projects will be revised:

- State Route 7 (PID #106237) at Milepost 19.75 cost will have a detailed design phase added. The revised cost is \$31,438,000.
- An I-70/SR149 Interchange Project (PID #120547) to improve the traffic flow will be added for FY 2025. The cost of the project is \$31,000,000.
- Belomar is adding a project to program \$35,000 of STBG funds for planning to support the Long Range Plan Update.

As requested by EORTA, the following projects will be added for FY 2024:

- Dump Bed for Service Truck costing \$25,000.
- Building Generator costing \$100,000.
- Stop Announcement Equipment costing \$100,000.

As requested by WVDOT, the I470 Bridge project (State Project Number #S335-470-0.13) which is 0.01 miles east of Ohio State Line will be revised: the construction phase has been updated. The revised cost will be \$36,050,000.

A public comment period regarding the proposed Transportation Improvement Program revision extends through February 14th, 2024. Interested parties who desire to present their views on this proposed revision should submit written comments to:

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