Application

10353-2018 Roadway Expansion
10936 - CSAH 26 Expansion from TH 55 in Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights
Regional Solicitation - Roadways Including Multimodal Elements
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## Organization Information

Name:

Jurisdictional Agency (if different):

| Organization Type: | County Government |  |  |
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| Organization Website: |  |  |  |
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## Project Information

Project Name
Primary County where the Project is Located
Cities or Townships where the Project is Located:
Jurisdictional Agency (If Different than the Applicant):

CSAH 26 Expansion
Dakota
Cities of Eagan and Inver Grove Heights

The proposed CSAH 26 expansion project is located in the northeast area of Eagan and the northwest area of Inver Grove Heights. The proposed project will expand existing CSAH 26 (Lone Oak Road/ 70th Street West) from a rural two lane roadway to a divided urban four lane highway. As part of the CSAH 26 Expansion, CSAH 63 will be realigned to improve safety and operations at the CSAH 26 \& 63 intersection. CSAH 26 is a classified as an A-minor reliever and plays a large role in the regional economy of the area.

The proposed project includes access management, installation of multimodal facilities and preservation of the regional system. The proposed access management items include limiting full access intersections ( $1 / 4$ mile spacing), limited access intersections ( $1 / 8$ mile spacing) and the addition of turn lanes at intersections along CSAH 26. The proposed project will construct multiuse trails along both the north and south side of CSAH 26 and along CSAH 63 providing residents of both Cities other modes of transportation. The CSAH 26 trails will connect into the Mendota Lebanon Greenway and provide access to regional facilities within the metropolitan area. The proposed project preserves the existing regional system by serving as a reliever to the adjacent principal arterials, I-494 and TH 55, and the project will provide better traffic flow for existing and future developments in the area.

Both Cities have seen recent development in their respective areas and the expansion of CSAH 26 will address current and future transportation needs. The City of Inver Grove Heights has seen multiple housing developments in this area and more development is expected. The City of Eagan has seen several commercial developments and
more is expected.
(Limit 2,800 characters; approximately 400 words)

TIP Description Guidance (will be used in TIP if the project is selected for funding)

Project Length (Miles)
Expansion of CSAH 26 to a divided 4 lane roadway with pedestrian facilities from TH 55 in Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights
2.02
to the nearest one-tenth of a mile

## Project Funding

| Are you applying for competitive funds from another source(s) to |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| implement this project? | No |
| If yes, please identify the source(s) |  |
| Federal Amount | $\$ 7,000,000.00$ |
| Match Amount | $\$ 9,840,000.00$ |
| Minimum of 20\% of project total | $\$ 16,840,000.00$ |
| Project Total | $58.43 \%$ | | Match Percentage |
| :--- |
| Minimum of 20\% |
| Compute the match percentage by dividing the match amount by the project total |

Source of Match Funds

Local funds

A minimum of $20 \%$ of the total project cost must come from non-federal sources; additional match funds over the $20 \%$ minimum can come from other federal sources

Preferred Program Year
Select one:
2022
Select 2020 or 2021 for TDM projects only. For all other applications, select 2022 or 2023.
Additional Program Years:
2021
Select all years that are feasible if funding in an earlier year becomes available.

## Project Information: Roadway Projects

County, City, or Lead Agency
Functional Class of Road

Road System
TH, CSAH, MSAS, CO. RD., TWP. RD., CITY STREET
Road/Route No.
i.e., 53 for CSAH 53

Name of Road

## Dakota County

A Minor Arterial - Reliever
CSAH

26

Lone Oak Road/ 70th Street West

Example; 1st ST., MAIN AVE

| Zip Code where Majority of Work is Being Performed | 55077 |
| :--- | :--- |
| (Approximate) Begin Construction Date | $03 / 01 / 2021$ |
| (Approximate) End Construction Date | $10 / 31 / 2022$ |

TERMINI:(Termini listed must be within 0.3 miles of any work)

From:
(Intersection or Address)
To:
(Intersection or Address)
DO NOT INCLUDE LEGAL DESCRIPTION
Or At

Primary Types of Work

Examples: GRADE, AGG BASE, BIT BASE, BIT SURF,
SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER,STORM SEWER,
SIGNALS, LIGHTING, GUARDRAIL, BIKE PATH, PED RAMPS,
BRIDGE, PARK AND RIDE, ETC.
BRIDGE/CULVERT PROJECTS (IF APPLICABLE)
Old Bridge/Culvert No.:
New Bridge/Culvert No.:
Structure is Over/Under
(Bridge or culvert name):

Intersection of CSAH 26 and TH 55 in Eagan

Intersection of CSAH 26 and TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights

GRADE, AGG. BASE, BIT. BASE, BIT SURF., SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER,

## Requirements - All Projects

## All Projects

1.The project must be consistent with the goals and policies in these adopted regional plans: Thrive MSP 2040 (2014), the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan (2015), the 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan (2015), and the 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan (2015).

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
2. The project must be consistent with the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan. Reference the 2040 Transportation Plan goals, objectives, and strategies that relate to the project.

Goal A: Transportation System Stewardship (p. 2.17)

Objective: A. Efficiently preserve and maintain the regional transportation system in a state of good repair. (p. 2.17)

Strategy: A1. Regional transportation partners will place the highest priority for transportation investments on strategically preserving, maintaining, and operating the transportation system. (p. 2.17)

The project will preserve the regional transportation by supporting its role as a reliever to I-494 and TH 55. It will provide congestion relief to both I-494 between I-35E and TH 3 and TH 55 between TH 149 to TH 3.

Objective: B. Operate the regional transportation system to efficiently and cost-effectively connect people and freight to destinations. (p. 2.17)

Strategy: A2. Regional transportation partners should regularly review planned preservation and maintenance projects to identify cost-effective opportunities to incorporate improvements for safety, lower-cost congestion management and mitigation, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities. (p. 2.18)

The project will provide a direct connection to a RBTN Tier 1 route and will construct the Tier 2 alignment along CSAH 26 from TH 55 in Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights. The expansion of

CSAH 26 will allow for improved safety and mobility for freight, vehicles and non-motorized users with Dakota County.

Goal C: Access to Destinations (p. 2.24)

Objective: A. Increase the availability of multimodal travel options, especially in congested highway corridors. (p. 2.24)

Strategy: C1. Regional transportation partners will continue to work together to plan and implement transportation systems that are multimodal and provide connections between modes. The Council will prioritize regional projects that are multimodal and cost-effective and encourage investments to include appropriate provisions for bicycle and pedestrian travel. (p. 2.24)

The proposed project will install multiuse trails along both CSAH 26 and 63. This area has been underserved with non-motorized options and the project will provide residents and visitors the ability to reach their destinations or available transit.
3.The project or the transportation problem/need that the project addresses must be in a local planning or programming document. Reference the name of the appropriate comprehensive plan, regional/statewide plan, capital improvement program, corridor study document [studies on trunk highway must be approved by the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Council], or other official plan or program of the applicant agency [includes Safe Routes to School Plans] that the project is included in and/or a transportation problem/need that the project addresses.

The proposed project addresses the Goal 3 and Goal 4 of the adopted 2030 Dakota County Transportation plan.

Goal 3 - Preservation of Existing System (p. 148)

The expansion of CSAH 26 will integrate into the existing transportation system by improving its current ability as a reliever to adjacent roadways, but it will also preserve the integration of bicycle and pedestrian modes with the installation of multiuse trails along both the north and south side of the roadway.

Goal 4 - Management to Increase Transportation
System Efficiency, Improve Safety and Maximize
Existing Highway Capacity (p. 163, 172)

List the applicable documents and pages:
The proposed project will construct CSAH 26 as a 10 ton roadway (p. 176) and the project will include access management based on Table 10: Dakota County Access Guidelines (Spacing and Configuration) (p. 172).

The Regional Roadway System Visioning Study (RRSVS) Final Recommendations included the recommendation of the expansion of CSAH 26 in concurrence with other programed roadways within the northeast area of Eagan and the northwest area of Inver Grove Heights (p. 2). The County has begun planning for the proposed improvements and is in the process of expanding CSAH 28/63 at TH 55 in Inver Grove Heights.

The project is currently programmed in the County and Cities CIPs for construction in 2020.
4.The project must exclude costs for studies, preliminary engineering, design, or construction engineering. Right-of-way costs are only eligible as part of transit stations/stops, transit terminals, park-and-ride facilities, or pool-and-ride lots. Noise barriers, drainage projects, fences, landscaping, etc., are not eligible for funding as a standalone project, but can be included as part of the larger submitted project, which is otherwise eligible.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
5.Applicants that are not cities or counties in the seven-county metro area with populations over 5,000 must contact the MnDOT Metro State Aid Office prior to submitting their application to determine if a public agency sponsor is required.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
6. Applicants must not submit an application for the same project elements in more than one funding application category.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
7.The requested funding amount must be more than or equal to the minimum award and less than or equal to the maximum award. The cost of preparing a project for funding authorization can be substantial. For that reason, minimum federal amounts apply. Other federal funds may be combined with the requested funds for projects exceeding the maximum award, but the source(s) must be identified in the application. Funding amounts by application category are listed below.
Roadway Expansion: \$1,000,000 to \$7,000,000
Roadway Reconstruction/ Modernization Modernization and Spot Mobility: \$1,000,000 to \$7,000,000
Traffic Management Technologies (Roadway System Management): \$250,000 to \$7,000,000
Bridges Rehabilitation/ Replacement: \$1,000,000 to \$7,000,000
Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
8.The project must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
9.In order for a selected project to be included in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and approved by USDOT, the public agency sponsor must either have, or be substantially working towards, completing a current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) self-evaluation or transition plan that covers the public right of way/transportation, as required under Title II of the ADA.

The applicant is a public agency that employs 50 or more people and has an adopted ADA transition plan that covers the public right of way/transportation.

Date plan adopted by governing body

The applicant is a public agency that employs 50 or more people Yes and is currently working towards completing an ADA transition plan that covers the public rights of way/transportation.

01/01/2016

Date process started

12/31/2019
Date of anticipated plan completion/adoption

The applicant is a public agency that employs fewer than 50 people and has a completed ADA self-evaluation that covers the public rights of way/transportation.

Date self-evaluation completed

The applicant is a public agency that employs fewer than 50 people and is working towards completing an ADA self-evaluation that covers the public rights of way/transportation.
(TDM Applicants Only) The applicant is not a public agency subject to the self-evaluation requirements in Title II of the ADA.
10.The project must be accessible and open to the general public.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
11.The owner/operator of the facility must operate and maintain the project year-round for the useful life of the improvement, per FHWA direction established 8/27/2008 and updated 6/27/2017.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes

> 12. The project must represent a permanent improvement with independent utility. The term independent utility means the project provides benefits described in the application by itself and does not depend on any construction elements of the project being funded from other sources outside the regional solicitation, excluding the required non-federal match. Projects that include traffic management or transit operating funds as part of a construction project are exempt from this policy.
> Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
> 13. The project must not be a temporary construction project. A temporary construction project is defined as work that must be replaced within five years and is ineligible for funding. The project must also not be staged construction where the project will be replaced as part of future stages. Staged construction is eligible for funding as long as future stages build on, rather than replace, previous work.
> Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
> 14. The project applicant must send written notification regarding the proposed project to all affected state and local units of government prior to submitting the application.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes

## Roadways Including Multimodal Elements

1.All roadway and bridge projects must be identified as a principal arterial (non-freeway facilities only) or A-minor arterial as shown on the latest TAB approved roadway functional classification map.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes
Roadway Expansion and Reconstruction/Modernization and Spot Mobility projects only:
2. The project must be designed to meet 10-ton load limit standards.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes

## Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement projects only:

3.Projects requiring a grade-separated crossing of a principal arterial freeway must be limited to the federal share of those project costs identified as local (non-MnDOT) cost responsibility using MnDOTs Cost Participation for Cooperative Construction Projects and Maintenance Responsibilities manual. In the case of a federally funded trunk highway project, the policy guidelines should be read as if the funded trunk highway route is under local jurisdiction.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement.
4. The bridge must carry vehicular traffic. Bridges can carry traffic from multiple modes. However, bridges that are exclusively for bicycle or pedestrian traffic must apply under one of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities application categories. Rail-only bridges are ineligible for funding.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement.
5. The length of the bridge must equal or exceed 20 feet.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement.
6. The bridge must have a sufficiency rating less than 80 for rehabilitation projects and less than 50 for replacement projects. Additionally, the bridge must also be classified as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement.

## Roadway Expansion, Reconstruction/Modernization and Spot Mobility, and Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement projects only:

7. All roadway projects that involve the construction of a new/expanded interchange or new interchange ramps must have approval by the Metropolitan Council/MnDOT Interchange Planning Review Committee prior to application submittal. Please contact Michael Corbett at MnDOT ( Michael.J.Corbett@state.mn.us or 651-234-7793) to determine whether your project needs to go through this process.

Check the box to indicate that the project meets this requirement. Yes

## Requirements - Roadways Including Multimodal Elements

| Specific Roadway Elements |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ELEMENTS/COST | Cost |
| ESTIMATES | $\$ 600,000.00$ |
| Mobilization (approx. 5\% of total cost) | $\$ 575,000.00$ |
| Removals (approx. 5\% of total cost) | $\$ 4,825,000.00$ |
| Roadway (grading, borrow, etc.) | $\$ 2,200,000.00$ |
| Roadway (aggregates and paving) | $\$ 450,000.00$ |
| Subgrade Correction (muck) | $\$ 1,000,000.00$ |
| Storm Sewer | $\$ 1,650,000.00$ |
| Ponds | $\$ 400,000.00$ |
| Concrete Items (curb \& gutter, sidewalks, median barriers) | $\$ 120,000.00$ |
| Traffic Control | $\$ 100,000.00$ |
| Striping | $\$ 130,000.00$ |
| Signing | $\$ 50,000.00$ |
| Lighting | $\$ 1,000,000.00$ |
| Turf - Erosion \& Landscaping | $\$ 1,000,000.00$ |
| Bridge | $\$ 1,300,000.00$ |
| Retaining Walls | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Noise Wall (not calculated in cost effectiveness measure) | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Traffic Signals | $\$ 350,000.00$ |
| Wetland Mitigation | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Other Natural and Cultural Resource Protection | $\$ 15,750,000.00$ |
| RR Crossing | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Roadway Contingencies | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Other Roadway Elements | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Totals |  |

Specific Bicycle and Pedestrian Elements
CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ELEMENTS/COST ESTIMATES
Sidewalk Construction ..... \$30,000.00
On-Street Bicycle Facility Construction ..... $\$ 0.00$
Right-of-Way ..... $\$ 0.00$
Pedestrian Curb Ramps (ADA) ..... \$60,000.00
Crossing Aids (e.g., Audible Pedestrian Signals, HAWK) ..... $\$ 0.00$
Pedestrian-scale Lighting ..... $\$ 0.00$
Streetscaping ..... $\$ 0.00$
Wayfinding ..... $\$ 0.00$
Bicycle and Pedestrian Contingencies ..... $\$ 0.00$
Other Bicycle and Pedestrian Elements ..... $\$ 0.00$
Totals ..... \$1,090,000.00
Specific Transit and TDM Elements
CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ELEMENTS/COST ESTIMATES Cost
Fixed Guideway Elements ..... $\$ 0.00$
Stations, Stops, and Terminals ..... $\$ 0.00$
Support Facilities ..... $\$ 0.00$
Transit Systems (e.g. communications, signals, controls, ..... $\$ 0.00$
fare collection, etc.)
Vehicles ..... $\$ 0.00$
Contingencies ..... $\$ 0.00$
Right-of-Way ..... $\$ 0.00$
Other Transit and TDM Elements ..... $\$ 0.00$
Totals ..... $\$ 0.00$
Transit Operating Costs

| Number of Platform hours | 0 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cost Per Platform hour (full loaded Cost) | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Subtotal | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Other Costs - Administration, Overhead,etc. | $\$ 0.00$ |

## Totals

Total Cost

## Congestion on adjacent Parallel Routes:

| Adjacent Parallel Corridor | Interstate 494 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Adjacent Parallel Corridor Start and End Points: |  |
| Start Point: | TH 149 in Eagan/ Mendota Heights |
| End Point: | TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights |
| Free-Flow Travel Speed: | 62 |
| The Free-Flow Travel Speed is black number. |  |
| Peak Hour Travel Speed: | 44 |
| The Peak Hour Travel Speed is red number. |  |
| Percentage Decrease in Travel Speed in Peak Hour Compared to | $29.03 \%$ |
| Free-Flow: |  |
| Upload Level of Congestion Map: |  |

Upload Level of Congestion Map:

## Principal Arterial Intersection Conversion Study:

Proposed interchange or at-grade project that reduces delay at a High Priority Intersection:
(80 Points)
Proposed at-grade project that reduces delay at a Medium Priority Intersection:
(60 Points)
Proposed at-grade project that reduces delay at a Low Priority Intersection:
(50 Points)
Proposed interchange project that reduces delay at a Medium Priority Intersection:
(40 Points)
Proposed interchange project that reduces delay at a Low Priority Intersection:
(0 Points)
Not listed as a priority in the study:

## Measure B: Project Location Relative to Jobs, Manufacturing, and Education

| Existing Manufacturing/Distribution-Related Employment within 1 | 3585 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mile: | 0 |
| Existing Post-Secondary Students within 1 Mile: | 0 |
| Upload Map | 1530044621108 _CSAH 26 Regional Economy Map.pdf |
| Please upload attachment in PDF form. |  |

Please upload attachment in PDF form.

## Measure C: Current Heavy Commercial Traffic

RESPONSE: Select one for your project, based on the Regional Truck Corridor Study:
Along Tier 1:
Along Tier 2:
Along Tier 3:
The project provides a direct and immediate connection (i.e., Yes
intersects) with either a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 corridor:
None of the tiers:

## Measure A: Current Daily Person Throughput

| Location | CSAH 26 between TH 55 and Ames Crossing Road |
| :--- | :--- |
| Current AADT Volume | 6700 |
| Existing Transit Routes on the Project | 2 |
| For New Roadways only, list transit routes that will likely be diverted to the new proposed roadway (if applicable). |  |
| Upload Transit Connections Map | 1530111458843 _CSAH 26 Transit Connections Map.pdf |
| Please upload attachment in PDF form. |  |

## Response: Current Daily Person Throughput

| Average Annual Daily Transit Ridership | 164.0 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Current Daily Person Throughput | 8874.0 |

## Measure B: 2040 Forecast ADT

Use Metropolitan Council model to determine forecast (2040) ADT volume

If checked, METC Staff will provide Forecast (2040) ADT volume
OR

Identify the approved county or city travel demand model to determine forecast (2040) ADT volume

## Measure A: Connection to disadvantaged populations and projects benefits, impacts, and mitigation

Select one:
Project located in Area of Concentrated Poverty with 50\% or more of residents are people of color (ACP50):
(up to $100 \%$ of maximum score)
Project located in Area of Concentrated Poverty:
(up to $80 \%$ of maximum score )
Projects census tracts are above the regional average for population in poverty or population of color:

Yes
(up to $60 \%$ of maximum score )
Project located in a census tract that is below the regional average for population in poverty or populations of color or includes children, people with disabilities, or the elderly:
(up to $40 \%$ of maximum score )
1.(0 to 3 points) A successful project is one that has actively engaged low-income populations, people of color, children, persons with disabilities, and the elderly during the project's development with the intent to limit negative impacts on them and, at the same time, provide the most benefits.
Describe how the project has encouraged or will engage the full cross-section of community in decision-making. Identify the communities to be engaged and where in the project development process engagement has occurred or will occur. Elements of quality engagement include: outreach to specific communities and populations that are likely to be directly impacted by the project; techniques to reach out to populations traditionally not involved in the community engagement related to transportation projects; residents or users identifying potential positive and negative elements of the project; and surveys, study recommendations, or plans that provide feedback from populations that may be impacted by the proposed project. If relevant, describe how NEPA or Title VI regulations will guide engagement activities.

Through the preliminary design of the CSAH 26 expansion, the project team hosted two open houses and invited residents within a minimum of quarter mile of the project. During the preliminary design, the project team neighborhood meetings to gather input from adjacent properties. Information about the project and any public meetings was posted to the County's project website. The project team used social media (Facebook and Next Door) to notify the public about upcoming meetings.
(Limit 1,400 characters; approximately 200 words)
2.(0 to 7 points) Describe the projects benefits to low-income populations, people of color, children, people with disabilities, and the elderly. Benefits could relate to safety; public health; access to destinations; travel time; gap closure; leveraging of other beneficial projects and investments; and/or community cohesion. Note that this is not an exhaustive list.

The portion of the project located in the City of Inver Grove Heights is in an area that is above the regional average for population in poverty or population of color and the portion of the project located in the City of Eagan is approximately a mile from an area that is above the regional average for population in poverty or population of color. The expansion of CSAH 26 will provide trails along both sides of the roadway. This will provide an alternative mode of transportation for residents and allow them to safely travel between the two communities. The project would connect into a nonmotorized network that would provide access to the transit station located in the City of Eagan.

The proposed project will improve access for residents in areas surrounding CSAH 26, including the areas that are above the regional average for population in poverty or population of color to transit. With the project, access to transit will be improved by the installation of multiuse trail along both the north and south side of the roadway. Residents will be able use the trail to access existing Minnesota Valley Transit Authority Routes 436 and 489 located along CSAH 26 in the City of Eagan.

The 2010 Regional Roadway System Visioning Study (RRSVS) vision included the potential for a transitway system along the CSAH 28/63 corridor (Figure 17). The proposed CSAH 26 project intersects the CSAH 28/63 corridor and would be able to provide access to this future transit facility. The future transit facility has the potential to connect to the existing transit station located at the intersection of CSAH 28 and 31 (at the CSAH 31 and CSAH 28 interchanges on I-35E) in the City of Eagan.
(Limit 2,800 characters; approximately 400 words)
3.(-3 to 0 points) Describe any negative externalities created by the project along with measures that will be taken to mitigate them. Negative externalities can result in a reduction in points, but mitigation of externalities can offset reductions.
Below is a list of negative impacts. Note that this is not an exhaustive list.
Increased difficulty in street crossing caused by increased roadway width, increased traffic speed, wider turning radii, or other elements that negatively impact pedestrian access.
Increased noise.
Decreased pedestrian access through sidewalk removal / narrowing, placement of barriers along the walking path, increase in auto-oriented curb cuts, etc.
Project elements that are detrimental to location-based air quality by increasing stop/start activity at intersections, creating vehicle idling areas, directing an increased number of vehicles to a particular point, etc.
Increased speed and/or cut-through traffic.
Removed or diminished safe bicycle access.
Inclusion of some other barrier to access to jobs and other destinations.
Displacement of residents and businesses.
Construction/implementation impacts such as dust; noise; reduced access for travelers and to businesses; disruption of utilities; and eliminated street crossings. These tend to be temporary.
Other

1. Increased traffic width and traffic volume

The project will be constructing trails along both sides of CSAH 26 which reduces the need to cross CSAH 26, constructing a concrete median which can provide refugee for users crossing at an intersection and constructing a grade separated crossing of CSAH 26 that will be incorporated into the Mendota Lebanon Hills Greenway.

## 2. Displacements of residents

The project will work to reduce any potential resident displacements. The project will work with any displacement residents through the process to find them comparable homes.

## 3. Construction Disruption

As part of the final design, the project team will review the proposed staging and detour routes to minimize impacts to area and regional users. The project will be staging to minimize delays on both local and regional roadways.
(Limit 2,800 characters; approximately 400 words)
Upload Map

## Measure B: Affordable Housing

|  | Segment Length <br> (For stand-alone |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| City | projects, enter | Segment |  |
| population from | Length/Total | Score | Housing Score |
| Regional Economy | Project Length |  | Segment percent |
|  | map) within each |  |  |


| Eagan | 1.0 | 0.5 | 84.0 | 41.584 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Inver Grove | 1.02 | 0.5 | 79.0 | 39.891 |
| Heights |  |  |  |  |

## Total Project Length

Total Project Length (as entered in the "Project Information" form)

Affordable Housing Scoring

| Total Project Length (Miles) or Population | 2.02 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Total Housing Score | 81.475 |

## Affordable Housing Scoring

## Measure A: Infrastructure Age

Year of Original
Roadway Construction or Most Recent
Reconstruction

| 1957.0 | 1.47 | 2876.79 | 1424.153 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1955.0 | 0.55 | 1075.25 | 532.302 |
|  | 2 | 3952 | 1956 |

## Average Construction Year

Weighted Year
1956.455

## Total Segment Length (Miles)

Total Segment Length


## Vehicle Delay Reduced

Total Peak Hour Delay Reduced

## Measure B:Roadway projects that do not include new roadway segments or railroad grade-separation elements

| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) <br> Peak Hour Emissions <br> without the Project <br> (Kilograms): | Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) <br> Peak Hour Emissions with <br> the Project (Kilograms): | Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) <br> Peak Hour Emissions <br> Reduced by the Project <br> (Kilograms): |
| :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 6.58 | 6.39 | 0.19 |
| 7 | $\mathbf{6}$ | 0 |

## Total

Total Emissions Reduced:

Upload Synchro Report
0.19

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Measure B: Roadway projects that are constructing new roadway segments, but do not include railroad grade-separation elements (for Roadway Expansion applications only):

| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) | Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) | Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peak Hour Emissions | Peak Hour Emissions with | Peak Hour Emissions |
| without the Project | the Project (Kilograms): | Reduced by the Project |
| (Kilograms): |  | (Kilograms): |

0
0
0

## Total Parallel Roadway

Emissions Reduced on Parallel Roadways
Upload Synchro Report
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## New Roadway Portion:

Cruise speed in miles per hour with the project: 0
Vehicle miles traveled with the project: 0
Total delay in hours with the project: 0
Total stops in vehicles per hour with the project: 0
Fuel consumption in gallons: 0
Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak Hour Emissions Reduced or
Produced on New Roadway (Kilograms):
EXPLANATION of methodology and assumptions used:(Limit 1,400 characters; approximately 200 words)

Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak Hour Emissions Reduced by the Project (Kilograms):

## Measure B:Roadway projects that include railroad grade-separation elements

Cruise speed in miles per hour without the project: 0
Vehicle miles traveled without the project: 0
Total delay in hours without the project: 0
Total stops in vehicles per hour without the project: 0
Cruise speed in miles per hour with the project: 0
Vehicle miles traveled with the project: 0
Total delay in hours with the project: 0
Total stops in vehicles per hour with the project: 0
Fuel consumption in gallons (F1) 0
Fuel consumption in gallons (F2) 0
Fuel consumption in gallons (F3) 0

Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak Hour Emissions Reduced by the Project (Kilograms):

EXPLANATION of methodology and assumptions used:(Limit
1,400 characters; approximately 200 words)

## Measure A: Benefit of Crash Reduction

Crash Modification Factor Used:
(Limit 700 Characters; approximately 100 words)

7566 (2 to 4 lane conversion) \& 5285 (3ft. to 8ft. shoulder)

7566 (2 to 4 lane conversion)

This CMF was used for the crashes since CSAH 26 is being expanded from a rural 2 lane roadway to a divided 4 lane roadway.

Rationale for Crash Modification Selected:
5285 ( 3 ft. to 8 ft . shoulder)

This CMF was for crashes since the existing shoulder is 3 ft . minimum and the proposed CSAH 26 expansion will construct 8 ft . paved shoulders.
(Limit 1400 Characters; approximately 200 words)
Project Benefit (\$) from B/C Ratio:
0.65

1531423591531_CSAH 26 benefit-cost worksheet 2018.xls

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## Roadway projects that include railroad grade-separation elements:

Current AADT volume:
Average daily trains:
Crash Risk Exposure eliminated:

0
0
0

Measure A: Multimodal Elements and Existing Connections

Currently, CSAH 26 does not have existing trails or sidewalks along the roadway and is shown as a RBTN Tier 2 alignment. The portion of the project in Eagan is currently served by Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for Route 436 and 489 and at the CSAH 26 intersections with Lone Oak Drive and Ames Crossing Road, trails have been constructed for a future trail along CSAH 26. The portion of the project in Inver Grove Heights will have trails at the intersection of CSAH 26 and TH 3 and portions of the Mendota Lebanon Greenway have been constructed with recent development.

The proposed project will construct 10 foot wide Response: multiuse trails along both sides of CSAH 26 and CSAH 63. This will provide access for the residents in both Eagan and Inver Grove Heights to connect into an existing residential, roadway and regional trail system. The trail along CSAH 26 will provide a direct connection to the RBTN Tier 1 corridor along TH 149 (Dodd Road) in Eagan and to the Mendota Lebanon Hills Greenway in Inver Grove Heights. The connection to both the RBTN Tier 1 corridor and the Mendota Lebanon Greenway will allow residents to gain access to Big Rivers Regional Trail (BRRT) located along the Minnesota River and to Lebanon Hills Park. The trails will provide the residents with a safe connection to the bus stops on the 436 and 489 bus routes located in the Eagan Business Park; thus increasing transit use.

## Transit Projects Not Requiring Construction

If the applicant is completing a transit application that is operations only, check the box and do not complete the remainder of the form. These projects will receive full points for the Risk Assessment.
Park-and-Ride and other transit construction projects require completion of the Risk Assessment below.
Check Here if Your Transit Project Does Not Require Construction

## Measure A: Risk Assessment - Construction Projects

## 1)Layout (30 Percent of Points)

Layout should include proposed geometrics and existing and proposed right-of-way boundaries.
Layout approved by the applicant and all impacted jurisdictions (i.e., cities/counties that the project goes through or agencies that maintain the roadway(s)). A PDF of the layout must be attached along with letters from each jurisdiction to receive points.

## 100\%

Attach Layout
Please upload attachment in PDF form.
Layout completed but not approved by all jurisdictions. A PDF of the layout must be attached to receive points.

Yes

50\%
Attach Layout
1531424016062_CSAH 26-30\% Layout.pdf
Please upload attachment in PDF form.

Layout has not been started
0\%
Anticipated date or date of completion
12/28/2018

## 2)Review of Section 106 Historic Resources (20 Percent of Points)

No known historic properties eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places are located in the project area, and Yes project is not located on an identified historic bridge

100\%
There are historical/archeological properties present but determination of no historic properties affected is anticipated.

## 100\%

Historic/archeological property impacted; determination of no adverse effect anticipated

80\%
Historic/archeological property impacted; determination of adverse effect anticipated

40\%

Unsure if there are any historic/archaeological properties in the project area.

0\%
Project is located on an identified historic bridge
3)Right-of-Way (30 Percent of Points)

Right-of-way, permanent or temporary easements either not required or all have been acquired

100\%
Right-of-way, permanent or temporary easements required, plat, legal descriptions, or official map complete

Right-of-way, permanent or temporary easements required, parcels identified

Yes

25\%
Right-of-way, permanent or temporary easements required, parcels not all identified

0\%
Anticipated date or date of acquisition
4)Railroad Involvement (20 Percent of Points)

No railroad involvement on project or railroad Right-of-Way
agreement is executed (include signature page, if applicable) Yes
$100 \%$
Signature Page
Please upload attachment in PDF form.
Railroad Right-of-Way Agreement required; negotiations have begun

50\%
Railroad Right-of-Way Agreement required; negotiations have not begun.

0\%
Anticipated date or date of executed Agreement

## Measure A: Cost Effectiveness

| Total Project Cost (entered in Project Cost Form): | $\$ 16,840,000.00$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Enter Amount of the Noise Walls: | $\$ 0.00$ |
| Total Project Cost subtract the amount of the noise walls: | $\$ 16,840,000.00$ |
| Points Awarded in Previous Criteria |  |
| Cost Effectiveness | $\$ 0.00$ |

## Other Attachments

| File Name | Description | File Size |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2018-07-09_LTR of Support for CSAH 26 Improvements.pdf | City of Inver Grove Heights Letter of Support | 601 KB |
| 2018-2022CIPFinal - CSAH 26.pdf | 2018-2022 Approved Dakota County CIP Project Page | 226 KB |
| CP 26-54 Project Summary.pdf | Project Summary | 97 KB |
| CSAH 26-5285 CMF Details.pdf | CMF 5285 Detail | 89 KB |
| CSAH 26-7566 CMF Details.pdf | CMF 7566 Details | 90 KB |
| CSAH 26 - Congestion Emissions Chart Information for the 3 intersections.pdf | Congestion Emissions Chart showing the 3 intersections | 42 KB |
| CSAH 26 - Project Layout.pdf | CSAH 26 Project Layout | 2.7 MB |
| CSAH 26 Draft Intersection Analysis Measure B 2040 Forecast Add. Info.pdf | CSAH 26 Study - Intersection Analysis Report pages for 2040 Volumes | 43 KB |
| CSAH 26 Requirements All Projects Questions 2 and 3 add. info.pdf | Additional Info for Req. All Projects No. 2 $\text { \& } 3$ | 2.4 MB |
| Eagan - Letter of Support - CSAH 26.pdf | City of Eagan Letter of Support | 45 KB |
| Existing CSAH 26 conditions.pdf | Existing CSAH 26 Conditions | 3.0 MB |
| RRSVS - Figure 17 Long Term Vision - <br> Transit.pdf | RRSVS Figure 17 - Future Transitways | 552 KB |

## Regional Economy

Results

WITHIN ONE MI of project:
Postsecondary Students: 0
Totals by City:
Eagan
Population: 1862
Employment: 9666
Mfg and Dist Employment: 3557
Inver Grove Heights
Population: 573
Employment: 55
Mfg and Dist Employment: 0
Mendota Heights
Population: 1553
Employment: 78
Mfg and Dist Employment: 20

## Sunfish Lake

Population: 485
Employment: 14
Mfg and Dist Employment: 8

Roadway Expansion Project: CSAH 26 Expansion | Map ID: 1530029677447


Project Points $\square$ Manfacturing/Distribution Centers
Project $\square$ Job Concentration Centers

For complete disclaimer of accuracy, please visit



## 1: CSAH 26 \& Lone Oak Road

| Direction | All |
| :--- | ---: |
| Future Volume $(\mathrm{vph})$ | 1040 |
| Total Delay / Veh (s/v) | 6 |
| CO Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 1.35 |
| NOx Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.26 |
| VOC Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.31 |

2: CSAH 26 \& Ames Crossing Road

| Direction | All |
| :--- | ---: |
| Future Volume (vph) | 810 |
| Total Delay / Veh (s/v) | 4 |
| CO Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 1.07 |
| NOx Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.21 |
| VOC Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.25 |

## 3: Argenta Trail \& CSAH 26

| Direction | All |
| :--- | ---: |
| Future Volume $(\mathrm{vph})$ | 1025 |
| Total Delay / Veh (s/v) | 19 |
| CO Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 2.19 |
| NOx Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.43 |
| VOC Emissions $(\mathrm{kg})$ | 0.51 |

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| Direction | All |
| :--- | ---: |
| Future Volume (vph) | 1025 |
| Total Delay /Veh (s/v) | 12 |
| CO Emissions (kg) | 2.08 |
| NOx Emissions (kg) | 0.40 |
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July 9, 2018

Mr. Mark Krebsbach
Dakota County Transportation Director/ County Engineer
14955 Galaxie Avenue, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Floor
Apple Valley, MN 55124
RE: Federal FAST Act Letter of Support for Dakota County CSAH 26 A-Minor Arterial Reconstruction/Modernization Project

Dear Mr. Krebsbach:
The City of Inver Grove Heights is supportive of Dakota County's application for federal funding for the widening of CSAH 26 (Lone Oak Road) from its intersection with Trunk Highway (TH) 149/55 in Eagan to its intersection with TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights including the realignment of CSAH 63 from CSAH 28 to existing CSAH 63 in Inver Grove Heights. The improvements of both the CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 segments of the County highway system are a priority for the City. In addition to improved safety the project will provide, the highway improvements will be an important part of the development of the northwest portion of Inver Grove Heights.

The project is a joint effort with Dakota County and the Cities of Inver Grove Heights and Eagan. The City supports this proposed project for federal funding and agrees to provide a financial commitment for the improvements directly related to the CSAH 26 Expansion and the CSAH 63 realignment within Inver Grove Heights.


George Tourville
Mayor of Inver Grove Heights

GT/kf
cc: Joe Lynch, City Administrator


PROJECT SUMMARY
County Road 26 Expansion, Eagan \& Inver Grove Heights

## Project Overview

Dakota County, in cooperation with the Cities of Eagan and Inver Grove Heights is reconstructing County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 26 from Trunk Highway (TH) in the City of Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights. The purpose of the project is to improve safety and operations, and accommodate increasing traffic volumes.

Work on the project is anticipated to include:

- Expanding the highway from a rural 2-lane with minimal shoulders to a 4-lane divided roadway
- Shifting the CSAH 26 \& 63 intersection and realigning CSAH 63
- Constructing turn lanes at public road intersections along the corridor
- Improving drainage along the corridor
- Managing access along the corridor


## Project Benefits

The expansion of CSAH 26 will provide several benefits to the corridor and the area. The proposed project will:

- Add capacity to a residential and business area that continues to grow
- Reduce delays and increase safety along the corridor
- Address various drainage issues that exist
- Install multi-use trails along both CSAH 26 \& 63



## Project Funding

- Based on updated CSAH 26 Costs (to be included in Dakota County 2019-2023
Capital Improvements Program)
- Estimated Costs
o Design = \$1,700,000
o Right of Way $=\$ 15,160,000$
o Construction $=\$ 16,840,000$
o Total Project Cost $=\$ 33,700,000^{*}$
*Dakota County is requesting $\$ 7,000,000$ in federal funds for construction in the 2018 FAST federal funding application


## Project Schedule

- Design-2019
- Right of Way acquisition - 2019-2020
- Construction - 2020-2021


## For More Information

- Contacts:

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Manager
952-891-7984
jenna.fabish@co.dakota.mn.us
John Gorder, City of Eagan Engineer
651-675-5645
JGorder@cityofeagan.com
Scott Thureen, City of Inver Grove Heights Public Work Director 651-450-2571
sthureen@invergroveheights.org

## CMF / CRF Details

## CMF ID: 5285

## Widen paved shoulder from 3 ft to 8 ft

## Description:

Prior Condition: Paved shoulder width $=\mathbf{3 f t}$

## Category: Shoulder treatments

Study: NCHRP Report 633: Impact of Shoulder Width and Median Width on Safety, Stamatiadis et al., 2009

Star Quality Rating: [View score details]

Crash Modification Factor (CMF)

Value: 0.71

Adjusted Standard Error:

Unadjusted Standard Error:

Crash Reduction Factor (CRF)
Value: 29 (This value indicates a decrease in crashes)

## Adjusted Standard Error:

Unadjusted Standard Error:

Applicability

| Crash Type: | All |
| ---: | :--- |
| Crash Severity: | All |
| Roadway Types: | All |
| Number of Lanes: |  |
| Road Division Type: | Undivided |
| Speed Limit: |  |
| Area Type: |  |


| Traffic Volume: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Time of Day: |  |
| If countermeasure is intersection-based |  |
| Intersection Type: |  |
| Intersection Geometry: |  |
| Traffic Control: |  |
| Major Road Traffic Volume: |  |
| Minor Road Traffic Volume: |  |
| Date Range of Data Used: |  |
|  |  |
| Municipality: |  |
| State: | CA, KY, MN |
| Country: |  |
| Type of Methodology Used: | Regression cross-section |
| Sample Size (mile-years): | 2308 mile-years |

## Other Details

| Included in Highway Safety Manual? No |
| :--- |
| Date Added to Clearinghouse: $\quad$ Dec-02-2013 |
| Comments: |

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## Expert Detail

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For more information, contact Karen Scurry at karen.scurry@dot.gov

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CRASH MODIFICATION FACTORS CLEARINGHOUSE

## CMF / CRF Details

## CMF ID: 7566

## Convert 2 lane roadway to 4 lane divided roadway

Description: Conversion of urban and rural two-lane roadways to four-lane divided roadways
Prior Condition: 2 lane roadway
Category: Roadway
Study: Evaluation of the Safety Effectiveness of the Conversion of Two-Lane Roadways to Four-Lane Divided Roadways: Bayesian us, Empirical Bayes, Ahmed et al., 2015

Star Quality Rating:

## Crash Modification Factor (CMF)

Value: 0.341

Adjusted Standard Error:

Unadjusted Standard Error:

Crash Reduction Factor (CRF)

Value: 65.88 (This value indicates a decrease in crashes)
Value: 65.88 (This value indicates a decrease in crashes)
Adjusted Standard Error:
Unadjusted Standard Error: 9.05

Applicability
Crash Type: All
Crash Severity: All

Roadway Types: Not specified

Number of Lanes:
2

Road Division Type: Undivided

Speed Limit:

Area Type: Urban

Traffic Volume:

Time of Day: All

If countermeasure is intersection-based

| Intersection Type: |
| :---: |
| Intersection Geometry: |
| Traffic Control: |
| Major Road Traffic Volume: |
| Minor Road Traffic Volume: |

## Development Details

Date Range of Data Used: 2002 to 2012

| Municipality: |  |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| State: | FL |
| Country: | USA |
| Type of Methodology Used: | Before/after using empirical Bayes or full Bayes |
| Sample Size (crashes): | 69 crashes before, 30 crashes after |
| Sample Size (sites): | 41 sites before, 41 sites after |
| Sample Size (miles): | 8.578 miles before, 8.578 miles after |

## Other Details

Included in Highway Safety Manual? No
Date Added to Clearinghouse: Nov-01-2015

## Comments:

[View the Full Study Details]

[^0] Carolina Highway Safety Research Center
5. Congestion Reduction/ Air Quality Response A

|  | CSAH 26 \& Lone Oak Road | CSAH 26 \& Ames <br> Crossing Road | CSAH 26 \& 63 | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Peak Hour Delay/ Vehicle <br> without the Project (Seconds/ <br> vehicle) | 6 | 4 | 19 | 29 |
| Total Peak Hour Delay/ Vehicle <br> with the Project (Seconds/ <br> vehicle) | 5 | 3 | 12 | 20 |
| Total Peak Hour Delay/ <br> VehicleReduced by the Project <br> (Seconds/ vehicle) | 1 | 1 | 7 | 9 |
| Volume (Vehicles per hour) | 1040 | 810 | 1025 | 958 |
| Total Peak Hour Delay Reduced <br> by the Project (Seconds) | 1040 | 810 | 7175 | 8625 |

5. Congestion Reduction/ Air Quality Response B

|  | CSAH 26 \& Lone Oak Road | CSAH 26 \& Ames <br> Crossing Road | CSAH 26 \& 63 | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak <br> Hour Emissions/ Vehicle without <br> the project (Kilograms) | 1.92 | 1.53 | 3.13 |  |
| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak <br> Hour Emissions/ Vehicle with the <br> project (Kilograms) | 1.9 | 1.53 | 6.58 |  |
| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak <br> Hour Emissions reduced/ Vehicle <br> by the project (Kilograms) | 0.0200 | 0.0000 | 0.1700 | 0.96 |
| Volume (Vehicles per hour) | 1040 | 810 | 6.39 |  |
| Total (CO, NOX, and VOC) Peak <br> Hour Emissions Reduced by the <br> project (Kilograms) | 20.8 | 0 | 1025 | 958 |



## Kimley»"Horn

## DRAFT MEM ORANDUM

To: Kristi Sebastian, P.E., PTOE<br>Dakota County Traffic Engineer<br>From: JoNette Kuhnau, P.E., PTOE<br>Doug Arnold, P.E.<br>Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

Date: May 2, 2018

Re: CSAH 26/CSAH 63 Intersection Control Analysis Dakota County, M N

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Kimley-Horn is providing preliminary engineering services for CSAH 26 (Lone Oak Road/70 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Street West) from TH 55/ 149 in Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights. The purpose of the project is to identify future roadway needs and define locations of future permanent right-of-way to consider through the platting process of current and future developments. The plan will also help with the future design of the realignment of the CSAH 26/CSAH 63 intersection and connections to the proposed CSAH 26/CSAH 3 roundabout improvement project.

The following memorandum provides an evaluation of Existing Year and Future Year conditions at the CSAH 26/CSAH 63 intersection, and provides an evaluation of four layout options that have been developed for the project.

## EXISTING CONDITIONS

CSAH 26 is identified as an A-M inor Arterial in Dakota County's 2030 Comprehensive Plan. The roadway begins at TH 13 (Sibley M emorial Highway) to the west and terminates at TH 56 (Concord Boulevard) to the east, with interchanges at I-35E and TH 52. The existing cross section varies from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided roadway; within the study limits of the project, CSAH 26 is a two-lane undivided roadway. The current posted speed of the roadway is 50 miles per hour (mph) along CSAH 26, 40 mph on CSAH 63 south of CSAH 26, and 45 mph on CSAH 63 north of CSAH 26. The CSAH 26/CSAH 63 intersection is currently all-way stop control with a single lane approach in all four directions. The location of the study corridor is provided in Figure 1.

The 2017 Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) along CSAH 26 is 6,700 vehicles per day (vpd) west of CSAH 63 and 6,500 vpd east of CSAH 63. The existing AADT along CSAH 63 is 2,600 vpd north of CSAH 26 and 3,750 vpd south of CSAH 26. Figure 2 provides the weekday AM and PM peak hour turning movement volumes at the CSAH 26/CSAH 63 intersection. Raw count data is provided in Attachment A.

Table 4: Crash Summary (Roadway Segments)

| Roadway Segment | Total Number of Crashes | Crash Type |  |  |  |  | Observed Crash Rate (crashes/ MVM) | Statewide Average Crash Rate ${ }^{1}$ (crashes/ MVM) | Critical Crash Rate | Critical Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | PD | C | B | A | K |  |  |  |  |
| CSAH 26, West of Lone Oak Drive | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.65 | 0.57 | 1.44 | 0.45 |
| CSAH 26, Lone Oak Drive to Ames Crossing Road | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.20 | 0.57 | 1.24 | 0.16 |
| CSAH 26, <br> Ames Crossing Road to CSAH 63 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.19 | 0.57 | 1.10 | 0.17 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { CSAH 26, } \\ \text { East of CSAH } 63 \end{gathered}$ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.08 | 0.57 | 1.15 | 0.07 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { CSAH 63, } \\ \text { North of CSAH } 26 \end{gathered}$ | 9 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 2.11 | 0.42 | 1.34 | 1.57 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { CSAH 63, } \\ \text { South of CSAH } 26 \end{gathered}$ | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0.99 | 0.42 | 1.07 | 0.93 |

1. Source: M nDOT 2015 Segment Green Sheet, Urban 2-Iane section.

## FUTURE YEAR TRAFFIC FORECASTS

Future traffic growth was forecasted along CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 based on a review of historic daily traffic information, volume forecasts as part of Dakota County's 2030 Comprehensive Plan, and the Regional Roadway Visioning Study. Additionally, the traffic forecasts contained in the Vikings Headquarters and Mixed-Use Development Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) were reviewed.

## Historic Growth

The study area has experienced slow to modest grown over the past 10 years. Based on a review of the historic AADT from 2007 and 2017, CSAH 26 has grown an average of 1.0\% annually, while CSAH 63 has grown an average of $2.5 \%$ annually over the past ten years. The 2007 and 2017 volumes are shown in Table 5.

## Past Studies

The 2030 forecast volumes contained in the Dakota County 2030 Comprehensive Plan are shown in Table
5. It should be noted that the 2030 Comprehensive Plan did not assume an interchange on Interstate 494 at CSAH 63. Dakota County will be updating their comprehensive plan in 2018, but in general the 2040 forecasts will be similar to the previous 2030 forecasts, indicating a slower rate of growth than previously anticipated in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan.

The Regional Roadway Visioning Study was completed in 2010 to evaluate future year roadway needs based on multiple land use and roadway network scenarios. The forecasts for Alternative E in the Visioning Study, which included a proposed interchange on Interstate 494 at CSAH 63 and was the preferred alternative, have been considered for this study. The forecasts for CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 for Alternative E are also shown in Table 5.

The Vikings AUAR was reviewed to determine future volume forecasts along CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 that includes the increase in traffic due to the proposed development. Based on the traffic forecast from that report, the 2035 ADT on CSAH 26 was 14,000 vehicles per day west of CSAH 63 and 12,000 vehicles per day east of CSAH 63. The 2035 ADT on CSAH 63 was 4,500 vehicles per day north of CSAH 26 and 10,000 vehicles per day south of CSAH 26.

## Future Year Daily Volume Forecast

Table 5 provides a summary of the Future Year ADT volume forecast. The forecasts take into account historic growth, volume forecasts from the 2030 Comprehensive Plan, Regional Roadway Visioning Study, the Vikings AUAR, and input from Dakota County staff. The horizon year is assumed to be 2040, but it may take beyond 2040 for these volumes to be reached. Assuming a 2040 horizon year, the volume forecasts generally result in an annual growth rate of $+1-4.5 \%$ along CSAH 26 and CSAH 63. Figure 3 provides the Existing and Future Year ADT traffic volumes.

Table 5: Future Year ADT Forecast

| Count Location | Daily Traffic Volumes (vehicles/ day) |  |  |  | Future Year ADT Volume |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2007 \\ \text { AADT } \\ \text { (MnDOT) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2017 \\ \text { AADT } \\ \text { (MnDOT) } \end{gathered}$ | 2030 Comprehensive Plan | Regional Roadway Visioning Study |  |
| CSAH 26, Between TH 55 and CSAH 63 | 6,000 | 6,700 | 17,000 | 16,800 | 19,000 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { CSAH 26, } \\ \text { East of CSAH } 63 \end{gathered}$ | 6,000 | 6,500 | 16,000 | 22,000 | 17,600 |
| CSAH 63, <br> North of CSAH 26 | 1,950 | 2,600 | 8,300 | 33,000 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 8,300 / 1 \\ & 33,000^{1} \end{aligned}$ |
| CSAH 63, <br> South of CSAH 26 | 2,950 | 3,750 | 10,000 | 31,000 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10,000 / \\ & 31,000^{1} \end{aligned}$ |

Note 1: The first volume listed does not include the interchange at Interstate 494, while the second number includes the interchange.
Using the existing turning movement volumes and the Future Year ADT volumes along CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 , forecast peak hour turning movement volumes were developed. Figure $\mathbf{3}$ also provides the forecasted turning movement volumes for the AM and PM peak hours at the CSAH 26/CSAH 63 intersection.

## Recommended Roadway Cross Sections

Based on the Future Year volume forecasts, CSAH 26 will need to be widened to a four-lane roadway west of CSAH 63 in order to accommodate the future volume demand including the anticipated short-term growth as a result of the Vikings Headquarters and Mixed-Use development. East of CSAH 63, the forecasted volume along CSAH 26 would eventually necessitate the need for capacity expansion to a fourlane roadway. However, this segment will likely grow more slowly given current zoning and development patterns in Inver Grove Heights. The existing two-lane section on CSAH 26, without left-turn lanes, would be expected to operate acceptably up to a capacity of approximately 12,000 to 14,000 vehicles per day.

The forecast volumes on CSAH 63 indicate that a two-lane section with added turn lanes would accommodate the future volumes until the interchange is constructed at Interstate 494.

2018 Regional Solicitation
Requirement - All Projects

All Projects
2. The project must be consistent with the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan. Reference the 2040 Transportation Plan goals, objectives, and strategies that relate to the project.

Goal A: Transportation System Stewardship (p. 2.17)
Objective: A. Efficiently preserve and maintain the regional transportation system in a state of good repair. (p. 2.17)

Strategy: A1. Regional transportation partners will place the highest priority for transportation investments on strategically preserving, maintaining, and operating the transportation system. (p. 2.17)

The project will preserve the regional transportation by supporting its role as a reliever to I-494 and TH 55. It will provide congestion relief to both I-494 between I-35E and TH 3 and TH 55 between TH 149 to TH 3.

Objective: B. Operate the regional transportation system to efficiently and cost-effectively connect people and freight to destinations. (p. 2.17)

Strategy: A2. Regional transportation partners should regularly review planned preservation and maintenance projects to identify cost-effective opportunities to incorporate improvements for safety, lower-cost congestion management and mitigation, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities. (p. 2.18)

The project will provide a direct connection to a RBTN Tier 1 route and will construct the Tier 2 alignment along CSAH 26 from TH 55 in Eagan to TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights. The expansion of CSAH 26 will allow for improved safety and mobility for freight, vehicles and non-motorized users with Dakota County.

Goal C: Access to Destinations (p. 2.24)
Objective: A. Increase the availability of multimodal travel options, especially in congested highway corridors. (p. 2.24)

Strategy: C1. Regional transportation partners will continue to work together to plan and implement transportation systems that are multimodal and provide connections between modes. The Council will prioritize regional projects that are multimodal and cost-effective and encourage investments to include appropriate provisions for bicycle and pedestrian travel. (p. 2.24)

The proposed project will install multiuse trails along both CSAH 26 and 63. This area has been underserved with non-motorized options and the project will provide residents and visitors the ability to reach their destinations or available transit.

## A. Transportation System Stewardship

## Goal:

Sustainable investments in the transportation system are protected by strategically preserving, maintaining, and operating system assets.

Objectives:
A. Efficiently preserve and maintain the regional transportation system in a state of good repair.
B. Operate the regional transportation system to efficiently and cost-effectively move
people and freight.

## Strategies:

A1. Regional transportation partners will place the highest priority for transportation investments on strategically preserving, maintaining, and operating the transportation system.

The regional transportation system represents an enormous public investment that is essential to our economy and quality of life. Protecting this investment means maintaining the entire system in a state of good repair. Doing so ensures that infrastructure and all facilities and equipment function well for their entire design life and minimize costs over their life cycle.

The federal legislation Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP21) also recognized the importance of maintaining the existing transportation system. One of the seven national goals on which the federal-aid highway program should focus is infrastructure condition. In that area the national goal is to maintain the highway infrastructure asset system in a state of good repair. The USDOT will develop measures by which states can assess the condition of pavements on the Interstate
 highways and National Highway System and the condition of bridges on the National Highway System. These measures are scheduled to be released in the second quarter of 2015. Collecting data is important to the efficient preservation, maintenance and operation of all modes and allows for making strategic and timely investments. For example, deferring pavement maintenance can result in higher long-term needed investment in the pavement.

Preserving and maintainting the roadway system applies to bridges and roadway pavement, onstreet bicycle facilities and adjacent trails within roadway rights-of-way, as well as all roadside infrastructure such as lighting, traffic signals, noise walls, and drainage systems.

Preserving and maintaining the transit system includes maintaining and replacing vehicles and equipment at consistent intervals, preserving the function and positive customer experience at customer facilities, and maintaining efficient support facilities.

Airport-related investments by public and private sectors in the region should focus on continued development of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport as a major national and international hub. Investments should maximize the operational effectiveness and value of aviation services and airport infrastructure. For regional airports, airport sponsors should maintain and enhance existing facilities to their maximum capability before investing in new facilities.

## Supportive local actions:

- Cooperate with MnDOT, regional transit providers, and regional parks implementing agencies in maintaining and operating shared and multimodal transportation facilities, including setting priorities for snow, ice and debris removal.

A2. Regional transportation partners should regularly review planned preservation and maintenance projects to identify cost-effective opportunities to incorporate improvements for safety, lower-cost congestion management and mitigation, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities.

MnDOT should continue to regularly review highway maintenance and reconstruction projects to identify opportunities to integrate safety and lower-cost highway congestion management and mitigation. A similar approach should be used by cities and counties as they undertake local highway projects.

Regional transit providers should review preservation and maintenance projects to identify opportunities to improve the transit system and its integration with
 other systems. In addition, technology and design improvements in transit systems can be incorporated into maintenance, preservation, or replacement projects to provide a better customer experience or more efficient system.

Airport sponsors and air-service providers should establish airport business plans and agreements to deliver high-quality services at affordable prices to users. Airport sponsors should operate within a long-term financial plan that stresses maximizing non-regional funding sources to avoid or minimize financial impacts on regional taxpayers and maintaining a high bond rating for aviation improvements.

## C. Access to Destinations

## Goal:

People and businesses prosper by using a reliable, affordable, and efficient multimodal transportation system that connects them to destinations throughout the region and beyond.
Objectives:
A. Increase the availability of multimodal travel options, especially in congested highway corridors.
B. Increase travel time reliability and predictability for travel on highway and transit systems.
C. Ensure access to freight terminals such as river ports, airports, and intermodal rail yards.
D. Increase transit ridership and the share of trips taken using transit, bicycling and walking.
E. Improve multimodal travel options for people of all ages and abilities to connect to jobs and other opportunities, particularly for historically under-represented populations.

## Strategies:

C1. Regional transportation partners will continue to work together to plan and implement transportation systems that are multimodal and provide connections between modes. The Council will prioritize regional projects that are multimodal and cost-effective and encourage investments to include appropriate provisions for bicycle and pedestrian travel.

Planning and design of highway and street corridors must continue to incorporate and improve the safety and mobility needs of all users, including trucks, buses, trains, pedestrians and people riding bicycles. The region and state have been pioneers in highway system management to increase multimodal efficiency. These efforts must be continued and expanded in the future. MnDOT, counties, and cities should provide advantages for transit on highways and streets, including bus-only shoulders, transit stations, bus bump-outs, transit signal priority, and ramp meter bypasses. MnDOT, counties, cities, and transit providers should provide facilities for people to safely walk or bike across highways, streets, and other major barriers in urban, suburban, and rural areas, especially on bridges.


## All Projects

3. The project or the transportation problem/need that the project addresses must be in a local planning or programming document. Reference the name of the appropriate comprehensive plan, regional/statewide plan, capital improvement program, corridor study document [studies on trunk highway must be approved by the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Council], or other official plan or program of the applicant agency [includes Safe Routes to School Plans] that the project is included in and/or a transportation problem/need that the project addresses.

The proposed project addresses the Goal 3 and Goal 4 of the adopted 2030 Dakota County Transportation plan.
Goal 3 - Preservation of Existing System (p. 148)
The expansion of CSAH 26 will integrate into the existing transportation system by improving its current ability as a reliever to adjacent roadways, but it will also preserve the integration of bicycle and pedestrian modes with the installation of multi-use trails along both the north and south side of the roadway.

Goal 4 - Management to Increase Transportation System Efficiency, Improve Safety and Maximize Existing Highway Capacity (p. 163, 172)

The proposed project will construct CSAH 26 as a 10 ton roadway (p. 176) and the project will include access management based on Table 10: Dakota County Access Guidelines (Spacing and Configuration) (p. 172).

The Regional Roadway System Visioning Study (RRSVS) Final Recommendations included the recommendation of the expansion of CSAH 26 in concurrence with other programed roadways within the northeast area of Eagan and the northwest area of Inver Grove Heights (p. 2). The County has begun planning for the proposed improvements and is in the process of expanding CSAH 28/63 at TH 55 in Inver Grove Heights.

The project is currently programmed in the County and Cities CIPs for construction in 2020.

## Chapter 6

## Goal 3:

## Preservation of the Existing System

The most effective way to protect Dakota County's transportation system investments is to continually evaluate and maintain the existing system to reduce unnecessary or premature replacement investments while maintaining safety and mobility.

## Importance

This is one of the most important Transportation Plan goals. Dakota County will continue to experience demands for limited resources to meet the transportation needs of the county. The investments to repair the extensive system of roads, bridges, supporting infrastructure and facilities can be expected to continue to increase. Therefore, the investments the County has made in its transportation system must be preserved.
Preservation strategies and policies maintain existing transportation system infrastructure in their current condition to serve their current purposes.


The strategies and policies of this goal provide for current and future estimated investment needs for preservation of key transportation system elements. Preservation of the transportation system will be pursued through the following activities and CIP investment categories.

## Activities

- Highway Surface Evaluation
- Integration of Transit, Bicycle and Pedestrian Modes
- Pavement Management Program
- Gravel Maintenance, Resurfacing Efficiency and Conversion to Paved Highways
- Bridge Rehabilitation
- Traffic Safety and Operation including Pavement Markings, Guard Rails, Safety Edges, Culverts, Rumble Strips/Rumble Stripes and Signs
- Bicycle Trail Maintenance
- Winter Maintenance

CIP Investment Categories

- Paved Highway Surface
- Gravel Highway Surface
- Bridge Rehabilitation
- Traffic Safety and Operation
- Transit, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities
- Storm Sewer Maintenance


## Goal 4:

## Management to Increase Transportation System Efficiency, Improve Safety and Maximize Existing Highway Capacity

Safe travel on routes with minimal congestion is an integral part of Dakota County's vision for its transportation system. Fiscal, social and environmental constraints limit the ability for an accelerated road construction program to achieve this vision alone. Management strategies that optimize the capacity and safety of the existing transportation system must be pursued.

## Importance

This goal aims to enhance the relationship and compatibility between land uses and transportation to assure an efficient and safe transportation system. Management of the system can cost effectively maximize mobility, safety and capacity of the County transportation system.

This section of the plan provides strategies and policies to support management of the existing transportation system. It also provides current and future estimated costs of the investments and measures for management of key transportation system elements. Management of the transportation system will be pursued through the following activities and CIP investment categories.

Activities

- Land Use
- 10-Ton Highways
- Identification of Best Access Location and Type
- Functional Classification
- Contiguous Plat Ordinance
- Permits for Activities in Right of Way


## CIP Investment Categories

- Transportation System
- Access Management
- 10-Ton System
- Jurisdictional Classification
- Safety and Management
- Signal Projects
- Right of Way Preservation and Management

Table 10: Dakota County Access Guidelines (Spacing and Configuration)

| Road Type <br> (A) | Posted or <br> Design Speed | Projected 2030 <br> Average Daily <br> Traffic | Full <br> Movement <br> Intersection | Partial <br> Movement <br> Intersection <br> (B) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Principal <br> Arterial | All | All | $1 / 2 \mathrm{mile}$ | $1 / 4 \mathrm{mile}(\mathrm{C})$ |
| Divided <br> Highway | All | $>35,000$ | $1 / 2 \mathrm{mile}$ | $1 / 4 \mathrm{mile}(\mathrm{C})$ |
|  | All | $<35,000$ | $1 / 4 \mathrm{mile}$ | $1 / 8 \mathrm{mile}$ |
| Undivided <br> Highway | $(\geq 45 \mathrm{mph})$ | $>1,500$ | $1 / 4 \mathrm{mile}$ | N/A |

(A) Road type refers to the anticipated future roadway cross-section and functional classification.
(B) Partial Movement intersections do not allow left turns from the minor street to the major street or movements straight across the major street. Movements that are allowed will be based on engineering study.
(C) Right-in/right-out access may be permitted at approximately $1 / 8$ mile for public or private (See Note \#3) streets if the County determines the access improves the overall safety and/or efficiency of the transportation system.
(D) Private street or driveway access requests will be considered based on engineering judgment and the following factors: location, distance from other driveways and intersections, alignment with other access points, easement/access rights that allow widespread usage and system connectivity, the potential to combine accesses, visibility, adjacent land use, and other operational/safety issues.
N/A - Not Applicable to undivided roadway segments.

## Access Spacing Notes:

1. These are minimum access spacing guidelines. The County may require accesses be spaced at distances greater than the minimums considering conditions specific to any County highway segment.
2. County roadways with full movement access spacing of $1 / 2$ mile are shown in Figure 31. Considerations include regional transitways, adopted studies, principal arterials, system continuity and projected ADT > 35,000.
3. Access to County roadways is typically provided through public street connections. Private access will be considered along the County roadway system based on engineering assessment of the function and use of the private access point in consideration of the spacing criteria.
4. Specific corridor access plans or project designs developed through a public process and adopted by the County Board shall supersede these guidelines.
5. Medians may be added or median openings may be removed or modified at any time by the County to address safety and/or operational issues identified through engineering review.
6. Where there is opportunity for access on more than one public roadway, access shall be provided from the lower-function roadway, unless deemed impractical by the County. To support the objectives of system efficiency and connectivity, access to the higher-function County roadway may be allowed in addition to the lower-function roadway, provided there is adequate distance to accommodate access based on these access guidelines.

REGIONAL ROADWAY SYSTEM VISIONING STUDY

## Recommendations

The intent of the study is to identify a transportation system plan that can support long-term growth and development in the region, as well as complement and build upon current transportation systems. The study area has one of the largest undeveloped areas (approximately 4,300 acres) adjacent to the I-494/l-694 beltway. This area will develop over time and as a result, add more traffic to the current transportation system. In addition, growth is also occurring in surrounding communities, particularly to the south and east; this traffic also impacts the transportations system in this area. It is therefore important to identify potential improvements needed to support this future growth, as well as ensure safe and efficient travel into, through and out of the area. With this plan and subsequent environmental studies, the appropriate agencies can work toward implementing improvements over time, as needs arise, and as opportunities and funding permit. In addition, the plan will allow for avoidance and minimization of property impacts and disruptions in services, especially as development occurs in the study area.

The study recommendations need to be put in the following planning context.

- The study is not an official environmental study and therefore does not carry any official environmental standing. More detailed analysis will need to be done to fully assess environmental, design and operational issues in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Minnesota Environmental regulations at the time individual projects are developed. The study focused on a high-level screening of environmental elements to identify potential environmental issues, including a review of natural wetland inventory, special habitat designations and right-of-way impacts to residential and commercial properties.
- While a specific system alternative is identified as an outcome of this study, all of the remaining system alternatives (alternatives not selected) will need to be carried into future environmental studies to fulfill environmental requirements. However, some of these alternatives may end up in a considered, but dismissed narrative.
- Any changes in interstate access require a significant amount of analysis and study to ensure safe and efficient operations of the system. This lengthy process may ultimately determine that an additional access may not be warranted, or other modifications of the system may be needed in conjunction with access changes.

The following recommendations have been developed through the involvement of the cities of Eagan, Inver Grove Heights, Mendota Heights, and Sunfish Lake; Dakota County, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The recommendations are based on technical analysis, as well as public and committee input. These recommendations constitute a vision for the area transportation system that will allow the system to support area growth (as identified in local 2030 Comprehensive Plans) safely and efficiently.

The following key improvements that constitute the vision are listed below and shown in Figure 1:
a. Lone Oak Road (CSAH 26) - expand 2 to 4 lanes from TH 55 to Athena Way (where it is currently 4 lanes).
b. 65th Street - extend from Babcock Trail to Lone Oak Point.
c. CSAH 28 Realignment north of TH 55.
d. TH 3 - expand 2 to 4 lanes from Cliff Road to TH 55.
e. TH 149 - expand 2 to 4 lanes from TH 3 to Rich Valley Boulevard.
f. Baffin Trail Realignment - alignment to be determined in future studies.
g. CSAH 28 Realignment south of TH 55 - connection to Argenta Trail will be determined during future studies associated with the installation of a full interchange in the long term.
h. Lone Oak Road (CSAH 26) - expand 4 to 6 lanes from the I-35E West Ramps to Neil Armstrong Boulevard.
i. TH 55 - expand 4 to 6 lanes from TH 149 south junction to TH 149 north junction.
j. TH 149 - expand 4 to 6 lanes from TH 55 to l-494. This project recently received STP federal dollars for construction.
k. TH 3 - consider 2 to 4 lane expansion in the long term from Upper 55th Street to TH 55.
I. TH 149 Interchange Improvements with I-494 Mainline between I-35E and TH 149 additional analysis is needed in an Interstate Access Request (IAR). As part of this study, a preliminary analysis was completed to determine how the TH 149 interchange ramps are currently being used, in relation to I-35E and I-494. Further study is necessary to determine the solutions to address the capacity problems at the TH 149 interchange and weaving issues between TH 149 and the I-35E exit.
m. Delaware Avenue - improvements as required by actual traffic conditions. Such improvements may include turn lanes, shoulders, and trails/sidewalks. No additional through lanes will be required.
n. New I-494 Interchange near Argenta Trail - approximately $1 / 2$ mile east of the existing overpass with a configuration to minimize potential impacts to Hornbean Lake on the north. Additional analysis is needed in an Interstate Access Request (IAR).


June 26, 2018

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## RE: Federal FAST Act Letter of Support for Dakota County CSAH 26 A-Minor Roadway Expansion Project

Dear Mr. Krebsbach:

The City of Eagan is supportive of Dakota County's application for federal funding for the widening of CSAH 26 (Lone Oak Road) from its intersection with Trunk Highway (TH) 149/55 in Eagan to its intersection with TH 3 in Inver Grove Heights including the realignment of CSAH 63 from CSAH 28 to existing CSAH 63 in Inver Grove Heights. The improvement of the CSAH 26 segment of the County highway system is a priority for the City. In addition to improved safety the project will provide, the highway improvements will be an important part of the development of the northeast portion of Eagan.

The project is a joint effort with Dakota County and the Cities of Inver Grove Heights and Eagan. The City supports this proposed project for federal funding and agrees to provide a financial commitment for the improvements directly related to the CSAH 26 Expansion in Eagan from TH 55 to the Eagan/ Inver Grove Heights border.

Sincerely,


City Engineer


Figure 17 - Long Term Transit Vision from Regional Roadway Visioning Study (RRSVS)


Figure 17


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