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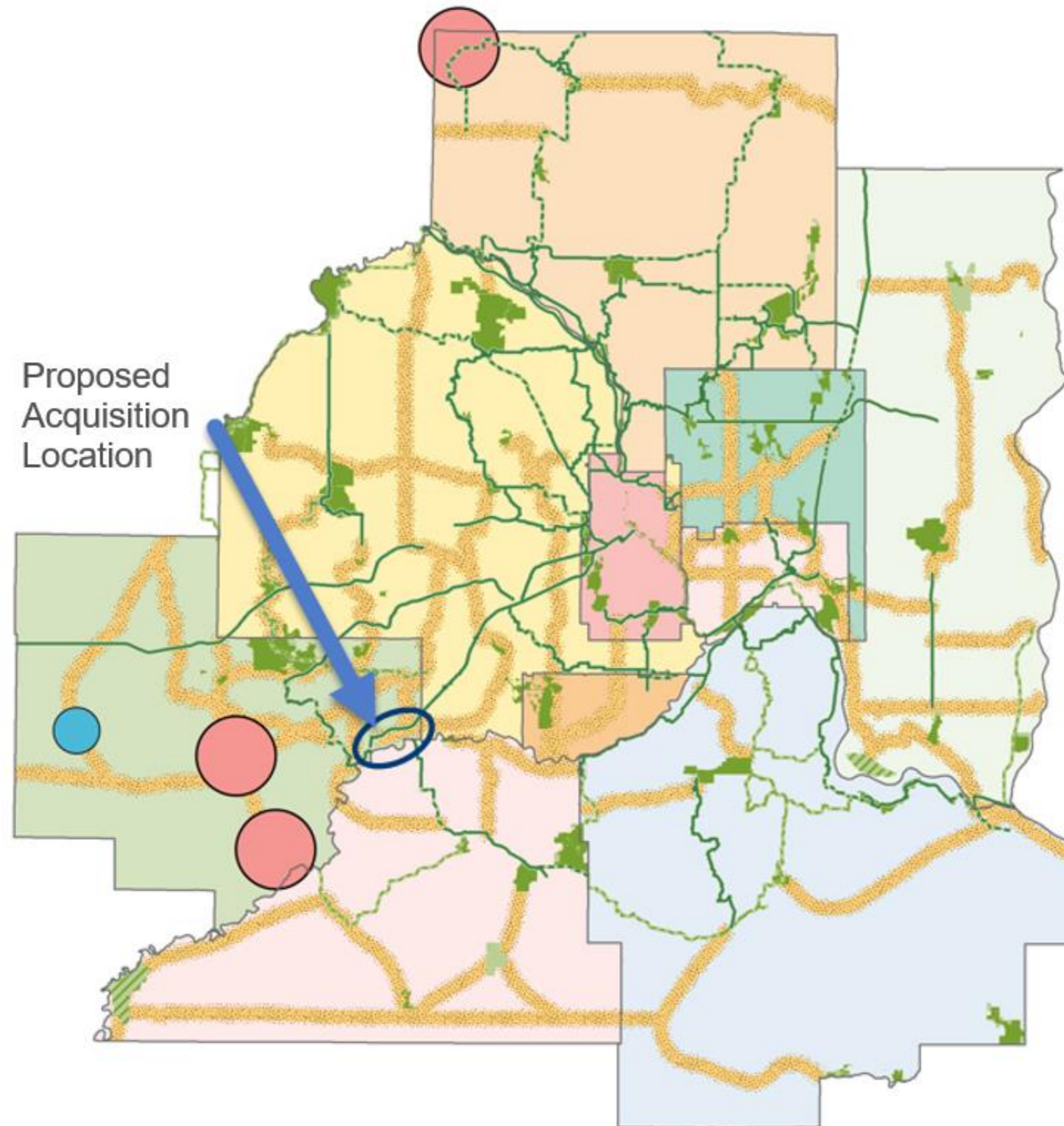
Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail Acquisition Master Plan Amendment and Boundary Adjustments Carver County

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Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission



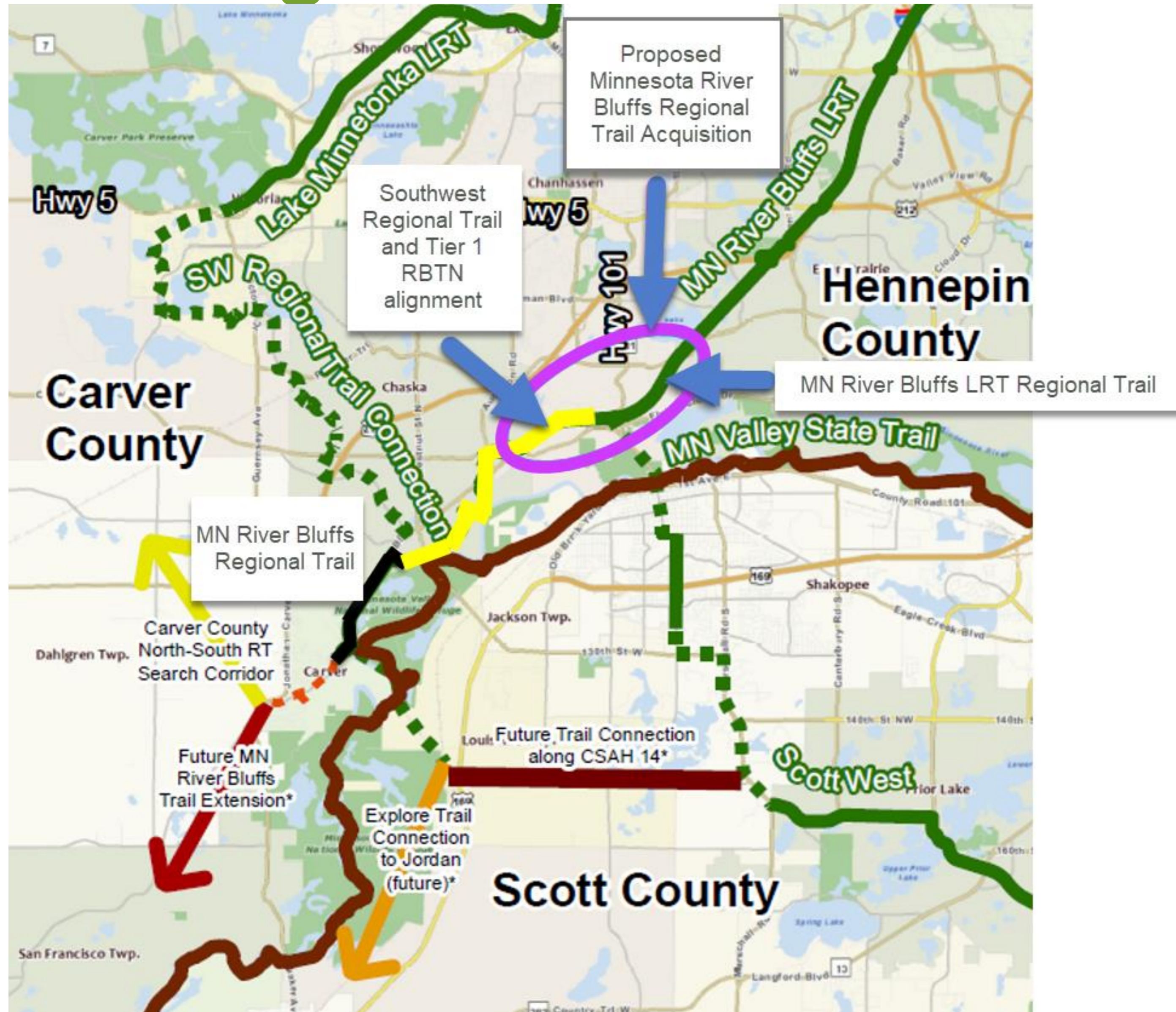
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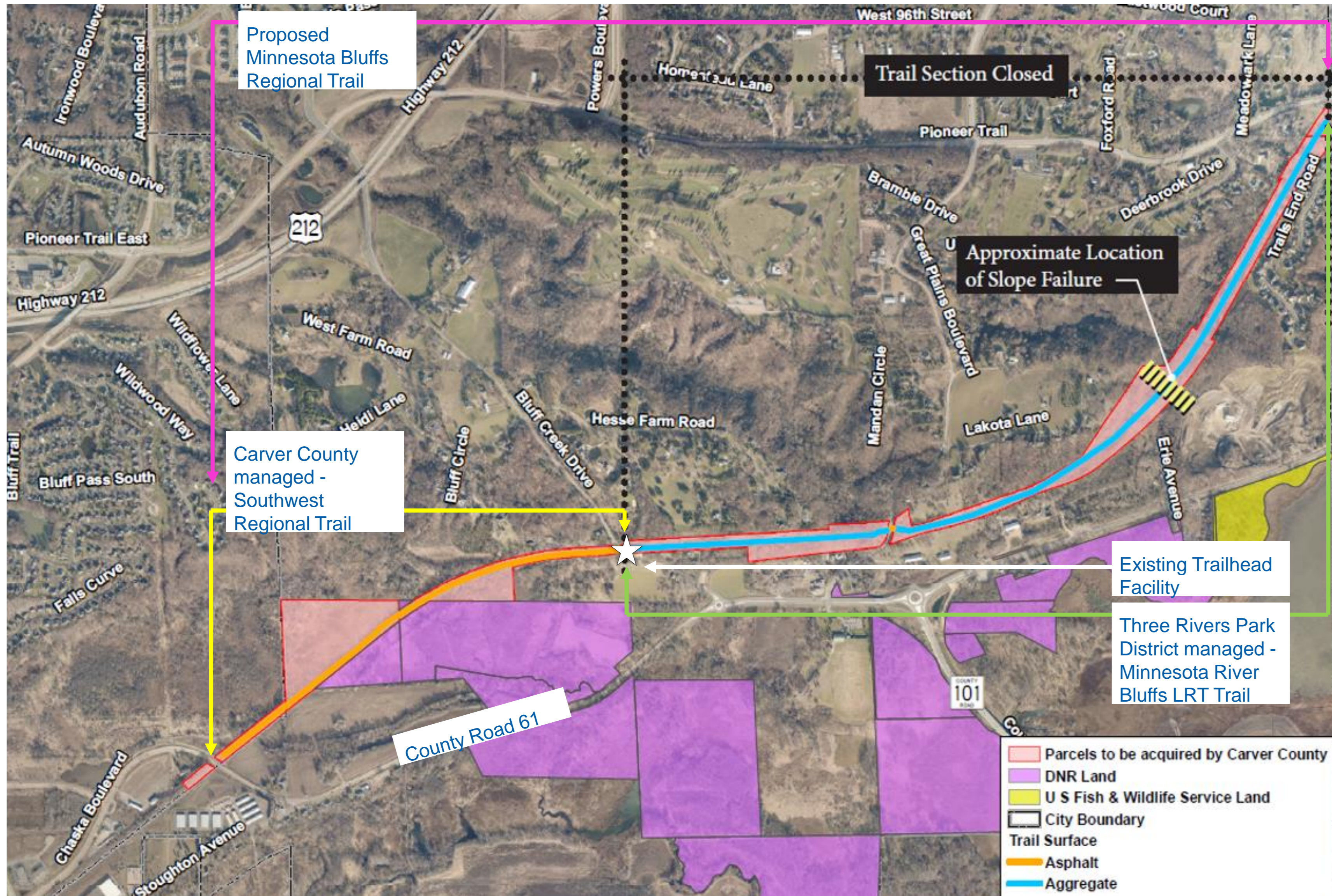
Demographics:

- Between 2020 and 2040 Carver County is forecasted to rise in population by 50%
- From 2000-2010 the percent of people of diverse backgrounds grew
- 85,300 residents live within 0.75 mile of the regional trail segment

Three Regional Trails



Boundaries and Acquisition



Two Regional Trails will transfer boundaries to the Minnesota Bluffs Regional Trail:

- .75-mile portion of the Southwest Regional Trail
- 2.25 miles of Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail



Appraisal

| Agency | Land | Estimated Cost |
|---------------|--|--------------------|
| Carver County | Approximates 90 acres that include three miles of regional trail | \$5,480,000 |
| TOTAL | | \$5,480,000 |

Proposed Findings

The proposed master plan is consistent with the requirements of the *2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan*:

- Planning Strategy 1, Planning
- Planning Strategy 3, Joint-Powers Agreements and
- other Council policies

Proposed Action

- Approve Carver County's Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail Acquisition Master Plan Amendment.
- Approve the boundary adjustments transferring the following two regional trail segments to the Carver County's Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail Master Plan including:
 - 0.75-mile portion of the Carver County's Southwest Regional Trail from County Road 61 in the City of Chaska to Bluff Creek Drive in the City of Chanhassen.
 - 2.25 miles of Three River Park District's Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail from Bluff Creek Drive in the City of Chanhassen and extending to the eastern county line near Pioneer Trail in Eden Prairie.

Proposed Action

- Direct Carver County to work with Three Rivers Park District to develop a timeline and use agreement outlining the transfer of management responsibilities to Carver County of the 2.25 miles of Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail.
- Inform Carver County that it must submit the Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail Development Master Plan Amendment for Metropolitan Council approval prior to requesting funding for development.