

## Environment Committee

Meeting date: February 8, 2022

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 23, 2022

**Subject:** TH13 MnDOT Coordination

**District(s), Member(s):** District 4, Deb Barber

**Policy/Legal Reference:** MN Statutes 473.504 and 471.59

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### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Utility Agreement 211069 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for Interceptor 8560.

### Background

MnDOT will be reconstructing the intersections along Highway 13 at Dakota Avenue and Yosemite Avenue to improve safety and freight access to the Ports of Savage. The L66 forcemain (Interceptor 8560) lies within the construction area of this project. The interceptor consists of parallel 14-inch and 18-inch PVC pipes. Proposed improvements will impact MCES's ability to access and maintain this Interceptor. The interceptor will be relocated in the project area to address this conflict. A Master Utility Agreement will allow MnDOT to relocate this interceptor as a part of their construction project.

MCES has completed the design of the replacement forcemain. The proposed relocation will include 2,300 feet of 14-inch and 18-inch PVC forcemains, jacking 390 feet of 30-inch steel casing beneath the highway, 4 maintenance structures, and connections to the existing forcemains at each end of the project. The estimated cost for this work is \$3,500,000.

### Rationale

Agreements exceeding \$50,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Collaboration. The proposed work will ensure that both MCES and MnDOT can serve the region cooperatively.

### Funding

Project 819025 is included in the 8090 family of projects in the 2022 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

### Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.