### Rethinking I-94

### Community Engagement Contracts



# Main Engagement Themes of Rethinking I-94

- Vision
- Community
- Values
- Collaboration/partnership
- Building leadership and capacity

There is no "THING", no digging, no plans drawn.

This is an OPPORTUNITY to shape what a community will look like.

What do you want to see happen to the corridor?



# What are the Community Engagement Contracts?

Engagement that Leads to Equity

- support community engagement within underrepresented communities
- Foster partnerships with stakeholders and community



Fulfills outcomes outlined in *Thrive MSP 2040* and utilizes principles from the Public Engagment Plan



Underrepresented communities



- people of color
- immigrant/refugee communities
- Native Americans, seniors, youth
- low-income groups
- people with disabilities

Partnerships with stakeholders and community



- Other government agencies –
   MnDOT, local government, other agencies throughout the region
- People who live, work, play, worship, study and do business along the corridor



## What Rethinking I-94 Contracts Mean to the Council

- Aging urban highway corridors throughout the region are a focus of the current Transportation Public Policy Update (TPP) the information that comes out of Rethinking I-94 will help guide the TPP
- The Community Engagement Contracts will help guide how the Council engages around infrastructure while using equity as a goal



#### Contract Details and Timeline

- Total of \$150,000; award multiple contracts ranging between \$5,000 to \$20,000
- RFP is on the Met Council's website now
- Deadline for submissions is Friday August 11, 2017 at 5:00 PM
- September 2017 contracts awarded
- All contracts will execute projects by October 2017



# How can people with disabilities get involved?

- Submit an application! Spread the word about the contracts throughout the disability community
- Tell MnDOT your thoughts, tell us how to involve your participation more (create a disability work group, workshop, do a study?)



### Other ways PWD's can get involved:

#### Engagement around Visioning

- Dale Street Bridge Leadership Circle –Accessibility Work Group
- Land bridges Do we need a work group?



### Questions?

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