MnDOT/Met Council: Freeway System Interchange Study

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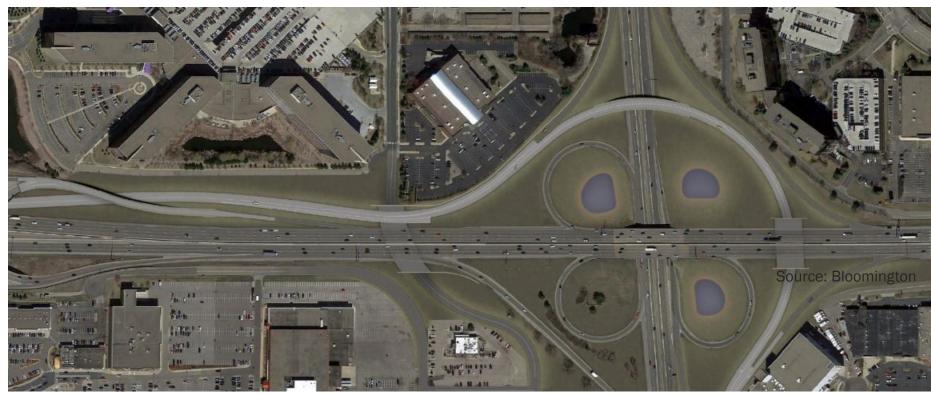








Example: 494/35W Bloomington/Richfield



- North to west directional ramp
- Corridors of Commerce awarded \$70 million to begin in 2021
- Includes directional ramp and "bridge braids"











Background

- System studies context
- System interchanges: connect two freeways
- Congestion and crash concentrations
- Recent major investments
- Numerous identified needs
- Locations have been evaluated independently

I-494/US 169 built in 2012 @ \$125 million Eden Prairie/Edina/Bloomington





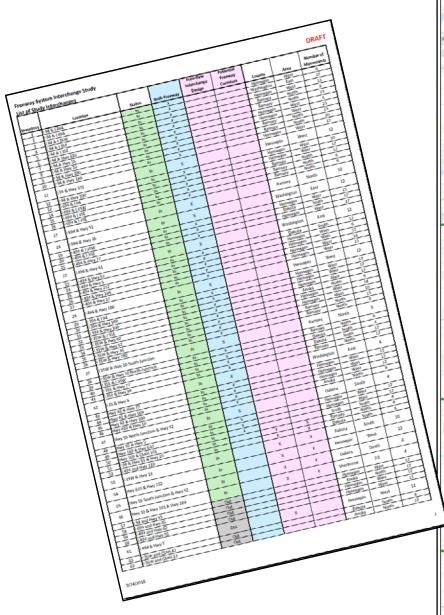


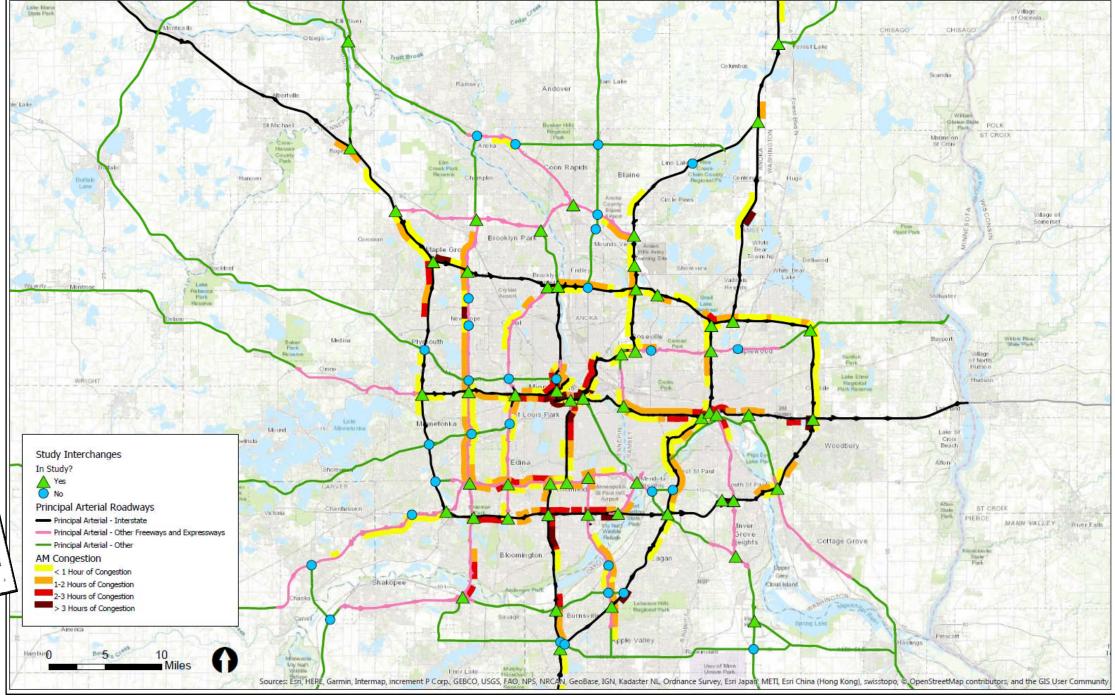






56 Study Interchanges















Purpose

- Reduce delay and crashes
- Consider needs of freight and transit
- Systematically discover and prioritize opportunities across region

(5th Street)

Right size investments





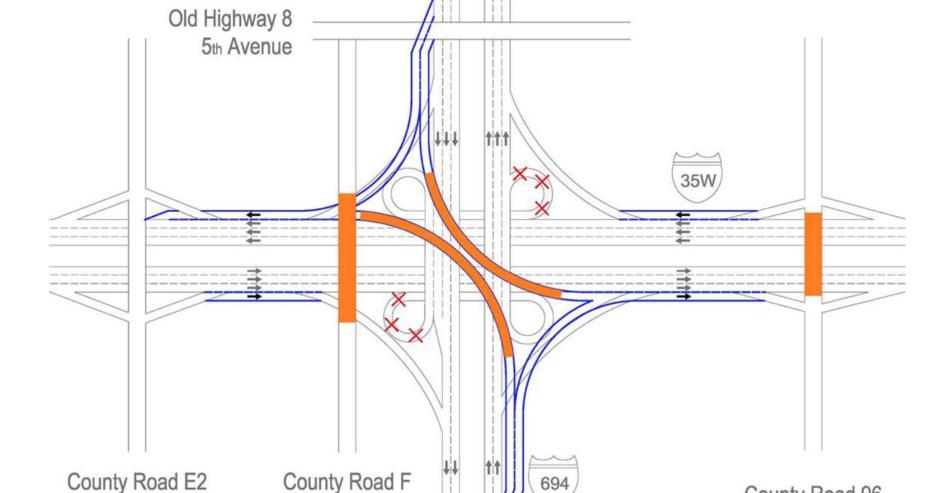






County Road 96

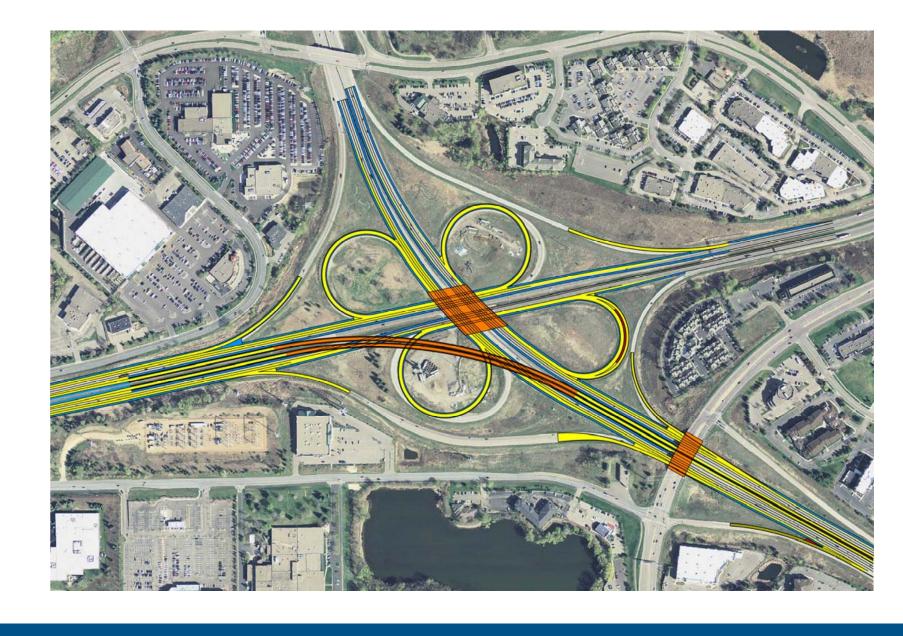




(Lake Valentine Road)

Outcomes

Prioritized list of projects that can improve the region's freeways at these targeted locations to continue supporting and improving economic vitality and quality of life in our region.













Stakeholder Engagement

Study Leadership	Agency Outreach
 Technical Advisory Committee Seven-county Metro Area counties Wright and Sherburne counties Local governments Federal Highway Administration 	 Minnesota Freight Advisory Committee Transportation Advisory Board Technical Advisory Committees Congestion Management Process State's Capital Improvements Committee
 MnDOT Metropolitan Council 	Met Council Transportation Committee





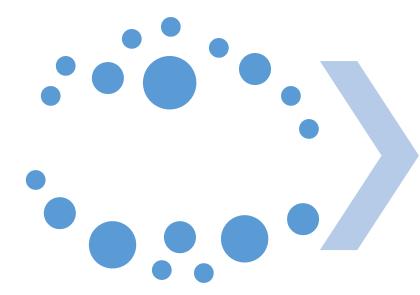






Analysis Process

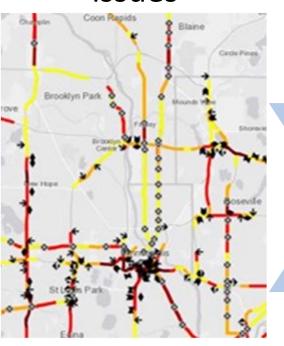
System Interchanges



Determine locations to be studied

> 56 *locations*

Evaluate current issues



Identify highest problem magnitudes

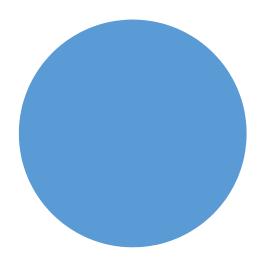
locations

Develop a range of solutions



Estimate return on investment

Identify priority locations



Document recommendations for future investments

> 10-12 locations











Performance Measures – Recommended Approach

Metric Category	Performance Measure(s)	Units	Source
Mobility	Travel time delay	Vehicle-hours of delay (VHD)	Loop detectors, NPMRDS/INRIX data
Reliability	Variability of congestion	Standard deviation (minutes)	Loop detectors, NPMRDS/INRIX data
Safety	Cost of crashes	Dollars	MN DPS crash data
Freight	Freight Volume	HCAADT	ATR/VC counts
Transit	Transit ridership	Persons	Met Council



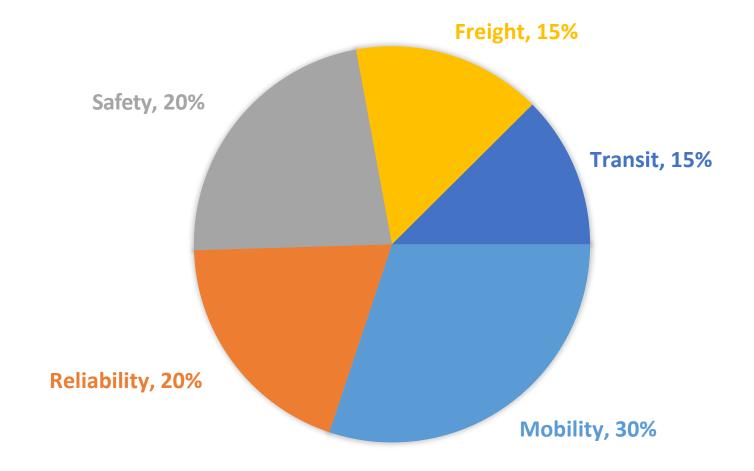








Performance Measures Weighting







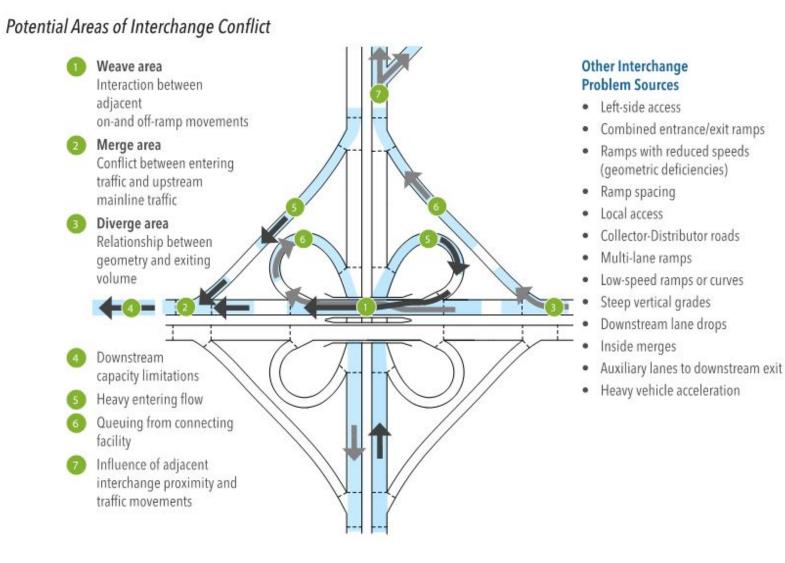






Problem Assessment and Screening

- 1) Data collection and evaluation
 - Collect appropriate data to quantify problems considering: delay, safety, reliability, heavy commercial vehicles
 - Consider weighting of criteria
- 2) Select interchanges for solution development







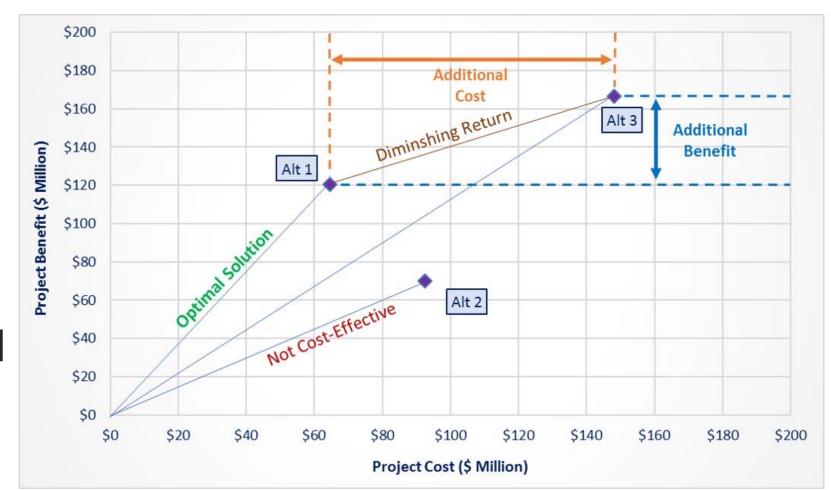






Next Steps: Issue Identification, solution development, and prioritization

- 1) Collect data to analyze interchange problems
- 2) Methods for developing design solutions
- 3) Develop design solutions and suggest implementation priority
- Documentation of results by end of 2019 --> Next TPP Update













Questions for you:

- What are your concerns about freeways and connections?
- Keys to making this study succesful?
- Other questions or concerns?











Thank you!

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