#### Minnesota Trunk Highway 22 Corridor Study – Agency Coordination & Public Involvement Plan Outline

#### Overview

- a. The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) are conducting the TH 22 Corridor Study from St. Peter to Mapleton. The Study will evaluate existing and future transportation recommendations, including:
  - lane configurations
  - access management
  - intersection control options
  - alternative intersection designs
  - bicycle and pedestrian connectivity
  - local roadway and trail networks
  - potential land use impacts and opportunities

#### **Partners**

- MAPO
- MnDOT
- Blue Earth County
- Le Sueur County
- Kasota
- Lime Township
- Mankato
- Mankato Township
- Mapleton
- St. Peter
- Region Nine Development Commission
- 2. Project Management Coordination Meetings
  - a. Bi-weekly coordination
  - b. Date/time TBD
- 3. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings
  - a. Five TAC meetings
  - b. Provide guidance for corridor study and stakeholder input
- 4. Agency Coordination
  - a. Two meetings held with federal, state, and local agencies
  - b. Two meetings held with MnDOT functional experts
  - c. Coordination may include DNR and FHWA
  - d. Purpose: Provide input for Purpose & Need and other project decisions
- 5. Public Open House Meetings
  - a. Three open houses



#### b. Purpose:

- OH #1: Introduce study, purpose and preliminary existing conditions, stakeholders and the public to identify issues, needs and areas of opportunities along corridor
- OH #2: Reviewing and asking for input on the draft corridor alternatives
- OH #3: Presentation of final corridor alternative concept
- c. Timing: November 2017, April 2018, and July 2018
- d. Possible Tools: Live audience polling, dot exercises, corridor priority puzzle
- e. Materials: Display boards, comment cards, PowerPoint presentation

#### 6. Focus Group Meetings

- a. 12 meetings two sets of six
- b. *Purpose:* Targeted, small group discussions to understand how the corridor currently functions and build relationships in the community
- c. Timing: October 2017 and March 2018
- d. *Potential target audiences:* Freight, school, neighborhood residents, EMS/Police/Fire
- e. Geographically distribute meetings along corridor in conjunction with first two open houses

#### 7. Online Engagement

- a. Purpose: Ensure study information is easily accessible
- b. Custom study logo and website
- c. Meeting materials
- d. Key milestones
- e. Photos, graphics, and maps

#### 8. Community Study Survey

- a. Purpose:
  - Survey #1: Identify issues, needs, and areas of opportunities along corridor
  - Survey #2: Prioritize recommendations
- b. Timing: November 2017 and May 2018
- c. Outlet: Online primarily and supported by paper mail-in option

#### 9. Targeted Social Media

- a. Purpose: Wide promotion of Study meetings, online survey, and other engagement activities
- b. Outlets: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, NextDoor
- c. Timing: Pre and post open houses and online survey, key milestones of Study
- d. Audience: Target posts based on zip codes, demographics, and other appropriate categories
- e. Leverage partners' social media channels

#### 10. Traditional Media

- a. *Timing:* Meeting notifications (press release, fliers) will be distributed two weeks prior
- b. *Outlets:* Mankato Free Press, Mankato Times, Mankato Gazette, St. Peter Herald, Maple River Messenger
- c. Contact: SRF will coordinate with Public Affairs from MnDOT



#### Highway 22 Corridor Study – November 2017 Focus Group Outreach

The project team held a series of focus group meetings with targeted stakeholders along the Highway 22 corridor. A total of four meetings were held - one in Segment 1, two in Segment 2, and one in Segment 3. Meeting dates and locations are listed below. The purpose of each meeting was to present the purpose and goals of study, the study schedule, and obtain input on issues, concerns and priorities from local residents and business owners. Postcard invitations were mailed to participants as well as follow up emails and phone were made to encourage attendance at each meeting. The following summarizes the discussion from the meeting:

#### Segment 1

Meeting date: Thursday, November 2 at the Kasota Council

Audience: Local residents and businesses

#### Comments received:

- Drainage
  - Add potential holding ponds or added wetlands above ravines (area between Lime Valley Road and Highway 22) because three inches plus of rain causes washout and culvert issues on Lime Valley Road.
  - Culvert drainage issues for culverts under Highway 22. They get clogged. Flooding is noted on Nielsen Blackstopping property. (Photo 1)
- Stream extension, add to map. (Photo 2)
- Highway 22/Pheasant Drive and Highway 22/Wood Drive
  - Challenging movements include left turn off Highway 22 (northbound to westbound) and left turn on to Highway 22 (eastbound to northbound)
- Two larger developments proposed (Photo 3)
  - Chankaska Winery event center and solar field
- Important to have acceleration lanes on Highway 22 between Pearl Street and CSAH 21 (Hill St) (were removed when improvements were made prior to US 169 detour).
- Important to have truck climbing lanes for southbound (critical) on Highway 22 just south of US 169.
- Southbound right turn lane is awkward, was revised when construction was done prior to Highway 99 detour. Curb radius is square.
- Highway 22/CSAH 45
  - Safety concern lots of accidents or almost accidents, bad sight distance due to vertical profile of Highway 22.
  - No left turn lane so cars use bypass lanes when there is a left turning vehicle. This creates issues for westbound vehicles during onto Highway 22 as sight lines are challenging. Very scary for drivers.

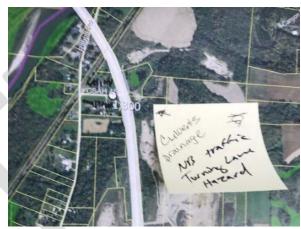


Photo 1



Photo 2





- Highway 22/CSAH 21
  - Traffic operations at this intersection were much worse when Highway 99 detour was on Highway 22.
  - o Public not in favor of a J-turn at this intersection
- Highway 22/460<sup>th</sup> Street
  - o Gravel trucks use inside through lane (northbound) to turn left (eastbound)
- Highway 22/470<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Safety concerns, no left turn lane so cars use right turn lane to bypass left turning vehicles.
- Highway 22/Jayhawk
  - o West leg is skewed, however public comment was sight lines were good still.
- Highway 22/CSAH 2 (243<sup>rd</sup> Street)
  - o Improve sight lines, possibly install a roundabout
- Highway 22/CR 101
  - Good location for a roundabout
- Trails
  - DNR parking lot has pedestrian underpass under Highway
     22. Good location for a trail along west side of Highway
     22 that connects into this tunnel.
  - Public would like snowmobiles on future DNR trail, would like to get to Mankato from Kasota by snowmobile. The DNR has previously stated they do not want horse or snowmobile on the trail.
  - Would like pedestrian cross at Pearl Street to access Chankaska Winery
  - The running route (portion on Rabbit Road) is used by Mankato State University track team (blue line highlighted in Photo 4). High speeds and volumes noted on Rabbit Road which also has increased pedestrians due to runners and residents in town.



Photo 4

- Le Sueur County is currently leading a waste water study in the study area. The mayor of Kasota (Bridget Klein) has the contact for this study and can send to the study team if needed.
- Lighting along Highway 22 is adequate when it is fully functional. Currently there are issues with some of the lighting not being on at various times or locations along Highway 22.
- Users of Highway 22
  - High volumes of semi-trucks use Highway 22, some were rerouted during Highway 169 detour and found Highway 22 to be a better route so continued using Highway 22.
  - o Lots of commuters between St. Peter and Mankato for work
  - Quarry traffic generally travels southbound when loaded and northbound when unloaded.
     Usually all day.
  - City anticipates increase in truck traffic, trucking businesses are planning to come into area in future.



Meeting date: Thursday, November 2 at the Greater Mankato Growth office Audience: Local businesses north and south of Highway 22 and US 14

#### Comments received:

#### Madison/Haefner

 Intersection is unsafe. East of Carver Road is 55 mph for westbound vehicles then it drops to 45 mph. Cars are still traveling faster at Haefner Drive intersection so it is hard for northbound vehicles to turn left onto Madison Ave. A roundabout evaluation was completed in March 2017 and determined that a roundabout was feasible for this intersection.

#### • Highway 22/CSAH 57

o Good location for a roundabout

#### Highway 22/Hoffman

- o Difficult for pedestrians to cross, good location for a pedestrian over/underpass
- Highway 22/CSAH 3 (N Victory Drive)
  - o Difficult for westbound movement in pm peak, lots of delay
  - o If this becomes a roundabout, concerns with truck traffic accessing Walmart Distribution center via CSAH 3, traffic might reroute.
  - o Possibly add additional signing on US 14 to direct truck traffic to preferred route.

#### Highway 22/CSAH 26

 Northbound left turn is a protected arrow. Lots of traffic going to Wickersham Health Campus is stuck at this light during off peak hours. Consider a flashing yellow arrow.

#### Highway 22/Augusta

- o Traffic operations predicted to worsen when Premier Drive connection is made in 2018.
- o Businesses not supportive of a R-cut at this intersection.
- o Safety concerns noted at intersection.

#### Highway 22/US 14

- Lots of delay noted, possible consider better signal timing or control type change. Southbound queues extend to CSAH 3.
- Important to maintain dual left turn lanes at both US 14 ramp intersections helps during peak mall traffic periods.

#### Highway 22/Adams

- Heavy traffic southbound to turn right to access mall. Cones are set up to channel traffic into mall parking lot during peak periods (i.e. over holiday season). Important to mall to maintain this dedicated right turn lane.
- Improve landscaping of center island, mall owner willing to take on expense and maintenance.
- Traffic volumes appear to have decreased since installation of roundabout (truck traffic rerouting).

#### Developments

- Walmart Distribution Center (southwest corner of CSAH 3/CSAH 12 intersection)
  - Projected to double in size (accounted for in MAPO LRTP and traffic studies previously completed)



- Lots of heavy trucks access site via US 14 and either Highway 22 or CSAH 12. Trucks don't like multilane roundabouts so tend to favor CSAH 12 which has single lane roundabouts.
- Trucks use mall parking lot to wait in until delivery time.
- Heavy residential developments planned surrounding new Prairie Winds Middle School (accounted for in MAPO LRTP)
- Potential location for new elementary school west of Wickersham Health Campus, south of 227<sup>th</sup> Street and west of Highway 22. Extension of Premier Drive south to August Drive is planned (Photo 5) (traffic study currently being completed for this).
- A regional recreation facility is planned north of Prairie Winds Middle School. This would be a regional draw.
- Three parcels have been subdivided south of Highway 22/CSAH 57 (Photo 6). This is in MAPO boundary and should have been accounted for in their LRTP
- Drainage issues noted near Mills Fleet Farm (Photo 7).
- Businesses in favor of roundabouts.
- Would like the corridor to be beautiful, need to maintain MnDOT right-of-way with more mowing. Currently businesses do it in some areas.
- If a speed change is considered it would most likely impact truck traffic, i.e. higher speed more traffic, lower speed less traffic.
- Businesses in favor of four-lane section on Highway 22 from Mankato to St. Peter.
- Perception of corridor is traffic volumes have gone down since installation of roundabouts. However, volumes have gone up according the most recent AADTs published by MnDOT>
- More lighting between Mankato and St. Peter, make it all uniform.
- Trails
  - Would like Highway 22 corridor to be bike friendly
  - Currently sidewalks on both sides of Highway 22, lots of pedestrian use these destination is
     DQ, coming from Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail
  - Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail is in poor shape from Madison Lake to east of Faribault.
  - The trails in the area are a regional draw and promoted by the city and businesses to draw in tourists.
  - o Would like gap in trail system south to CSAH 90 completed.
  - Mall would like connection to regional trail system. Mankato half marathon begins and ends at the mall.
- Users of Highway 22



Photo 5



Photo 6



Photo 7



- o Lots of regional use on Highway 22.
- o Residents from Iowa and St. Peter use Highway 22 to access mall.
- Trucks use Highway 22 to access Walmart Distribution center, via US 14 and from south via Highway 22.
- o Local traffic will likely us CSAH 12 once construction of final connection is complete.
- During the winter, US 14 is very icy, lots of spin outs, so more traffic on Highway 22 and in town to avoid US 14.

Meeting date: Monday, November 13 at Kennedy Elementary School in Mankato

Audience: PTO members

#### Comments received:

#### Safety concerns

- The school district's current policy is they bus students first and if a student needs to bike or walk the school district will work with the family.
- o In favor of adding an overpass or underpass at Highway 22 and Hoffman Rd so students can walk safely to and from school/home.
- o In favor of adding a roundabout from near Highway 22 and Hoffman Rd, but recognized that won't necessarily make it easier for pedestrians crossing.
- o Possible mid-block grade separated crossing on Highway 22 near Prairie Winds Middle School, directly between Highway 22/Highway 83 and Highway 22/Hoffman Rd.
- Highway 22 intersection to Lake Washington had bad sightlines, making it hard to turn onto
   Highway 22. There is a flashing beacon there.
- o Pohl Rd and Stadium Rd was also indicated as an intersection with bad sightlines.
- o Turning left on Highway 22 going eastbound to northbound is challenging because there is no acceleration lane.

#### Trails

- Would like to see better connections to regional trails from Mankato. Currently there are lots
  of almost connections. Would prefer to be able to bike to bike trails.
- Trails adjacent to Victory Drive flood in the spring.

#### Landscaping

- o Prefer having a natural landscape (prairie) along corridor.
- Users of Highway 22
  - Many attendees said they travel on Highway 22 to Mapleton for specific reasons sporting events and fishing.
  - o There is more northbound traffic on Highway 22 traveling to St. Peter and the Twin Cities.
  - o Drivers avoid Highway 22 during peak hours and instead use 169.
- There are longer passing lanes north of Mankato.
  - Attendees would like to see additional ones added as there is only one southbound just south of US 169

#### Flooding

o Areas of flooding indicated at Stadium Rd and Hwy 83, Madison Ave and CR 82 (Victory Drive).



Meeting Date: Thursday, October 26

Audience: Local residents and Businesses south of CSAH 90

#### Comments received:

• Turn lanes are being added as part of the 2018 construction on Highway 22 for the businesses just south of CSAH 90. Reference final plans for extents.

- Hard to turn left onto Highway 22 from K&G Gymnastics driveway because northbound lane drop occurs at intersection. Reference final plans for 2018 construction to see how this is addressed.
- Adding a trail like the one on CSAH 90 would be nice on Highway 22.

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 1

Audience: Local residents, Mapleton School Superintendent, Mapleton Mayor, City staff

#### Comments received:

- Highway 22/CSAH 7
  - o Sanitary sewer under Highway 22 is old.
- Highway 22/CSAH 21
  - o Potential historic park in southeast corner.
  - Tough intersection, lots of large trucks accessing commercial properties, feed mill and truck wash. Westbound to northbound movement is heavy.
- Highway 22/Highway 30 (south leg)
  - o Lots of large heavy vehicles, windmill traffic noted.
- Highway 22/CSAH 4
  - Would like to see turn lanes and bypass lanes.
- Mapleton High School football field to remain even if new high school is constructed.
- Mapleton would like to pave Borchert Street if new high school is constructed in southeast corner of
  - Borchert Street and Central Avenue. If this happens, then adding turn lanes on Highway 22 is recommended.
- Trails
  - City in favor of more bike trails in area.
  - Would prefer a separated trail as there are high speeds on Highway 22.
     Potential location west of Highway 22.
  - Solar garden currently being constructed (Photo 8).
  - Potential trail alignment option drawn in blue in pic below. Would go on north and west side of solar garden.



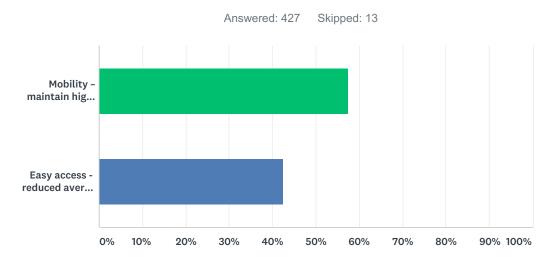
Photo 8



- Safety concern with existing cross crossing on Highway 22. There are flashers now but still a concern.
- Richard Nienow would like a turn lane on Highway 22 at his property. Possibly hoping to sell property to developer some day for highway commercial use.
- Lots of speeding noted on Highway 22.
- City wants to encourage growth.
  - o Improve safety and function of Highway 22.
  - o Add turn lanes to encourage redevelopment of agricultural property to commercial.
- Ditches along Highway 22 (both sides) south of CSAH 21 are wet a lot of time and are not mowed consistently.
- MnDOT is planning to reconstruct Highway 22 one mile north of Mapleton as part of 2023 project.
- Users of Highway 22
  - Lots of commuters and heavy vehicles travel from Mapleton, Wells and other southern cities to Mankato for work.

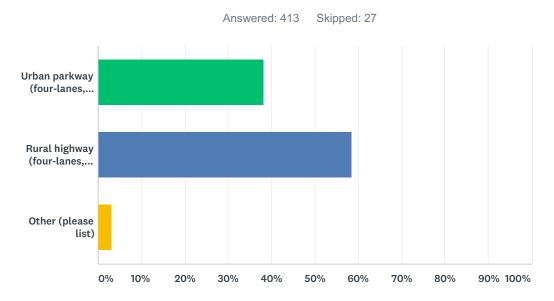


Q1 On Hwy 22 between Mankato and St. Peter, what is more important to you, mobility (getting through quickly with little or no delays) or easily accessing local roads, businesses, and residential areas? Please select one.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPON	ISES
Mobility – maintain higher average speed for through traffic and reduce congestion – add lanes but restrict or consolidate local access, make use of J-turns at intersections with four lanes	57.61%	246
Easy access - reduced average speed for through traffic, but improve access to local roads with – roundabouts, etc (two lanes with dedicated left turn lanes)	42.39%	181
TOTAL		427

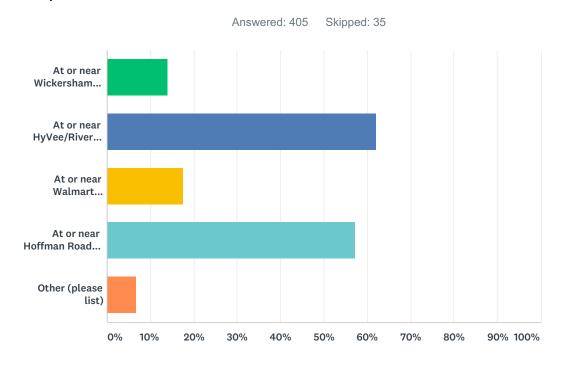
#### Q2 What are your preferences for the look and feel of Hwy 22 as you travel through Mankato? Please select one.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPO	NSES
Urban parkway (four-lanes, curbs, continue trails on both sides, landscaping, narrower median, roundabouts, lower speeds, higher cost)	38.26%	158
Rural highway (four-lanes, stays as is with ditches and wider median, roundabouts, continue trails on both sides, additional landscaping, lower cost)	58.60%	242
Other (please list)	3.15%	13
TOTAL		413

#	OTHER (PLEASE LIST)	DATE
1	NO more roundabouts	7/4/2018 3:24 PM
2	Grade separation at Madison avenue instead of highly congested double roundabout. Grade separation on trails/sidewalks. Rural highway is fine through Mankato if right of way is wide enough. Grade separated pedestrian crossings. Grade separation with exits at Madison, Hoffman, Stadium and Southern bypass 90 at Southern bypass; Controlled intersection at North Riverfront drive with downtown signage	7/3/2018 9:34 AM
3	Rural highway, no trails or roundabouts	7/2/2018 6:38 PM
4	Biggest issue is safety at Augusta and 22	7/2/2018 6:24 PM
5	Higher speeds	7/2/2018 5:39 PM
6	Rural hwy is ok, but dedicated bicycle lanes is a must for safety.	7/2/2018 5:25 PM
7	NO ROUNDABOUTS - they suck!	7/2/2018 11:49 AM
8	Please no roundabouts! Be mindful of farming vehicles and trucks that use this road.	7/2/2018 11:41 AM
9	No bike trail	7/2/2018 9:39 AM
10	No Preference	6/21/2018 3:13 PM
11	Leave it for what it was intended (rural local traffic) not a major short cut for oversized trucks and fast vehicles.	6/21/2018 2:21 PM
12	Leave it as is	6/18/2018 10:44 AM

#### Q3 In the City of Mankato, if a pedestrian underpass or overpass were to be provided, where is the best location? Please select two.



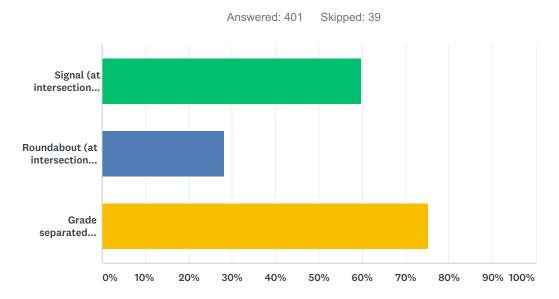
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At or near Wickersham Health Campus	14.07%	57
At or near HyVee/River Hills Mall	62.22%	252
At or near Walmart (Bassett Drive)	17.53%	71
At or near Hoffman Road (schools)	57.28%	232
Other (please list)	6.67%	27
Total Respondents: 405		

Augusta Drive 7/5/2018 12:15 PM At Augusta Drive 7/4/2018 11:13 AM Augusta drive 7/4/2018 8:17 AM Basset Drive has poor visibility, which could be solved by a well-designed roundabout. However, drivers are still wierd at roundabouts so cyclists MUST be considered in their design or we have to act like pedestrians on wheels. 7/3/2018 1:09 AM Multiple: Hoffman and hyvee 7/2/2018 10:12 PM Madison Ave 7/2/2018 9:28 PM	#	OTHER (PLEASE LIST)	DATE
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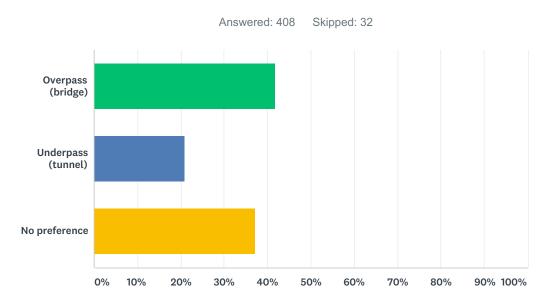
10	If not under/over pass at wickersham some sort of trail access for residents so they don't need to cross hwy22 as it tends to be busy most hours and the traffic light is not used friendly to safely	7/2/2018 7:58 PM
	cross	
11	Creating crrime spots	7/2/2018 6:38 PM
12	Victory dr	7/2/2018 5:41 PM
13	At Augusta Drive	7/2/2018 5:24 PM
14	Stadium Road	7/2/2018 3:20 PM
15	Menards	7/2/2018 2:38 PM
16	None	7/2/2018 12:01 PM
17	Roundabouts are tricky for pedestrians when there is heavy car traffic. And motorists don't often think to look for pedestrians there.	7/2/2018 11:41 AM
18	Schools are an important issue.	6/21/2018 3:37 PM
19	Prairie Winds	6/21/2018 3:00 PM
20	From lookout to 169 going towards Lake Crystal	6/21/2018 2:55 PM
21	Augusta Drive/Hwy. 22	6/21/2018 2:28 PM
22	Augusta Drive	6/21/2018 2:27 PM
23	connecting sakatah trail	6/21/2018 2:23 PM
24	Depends on trail plans	6/21/2018 2:21 PM
25	msu campus by Tafton	6/20/2018 7:02 PM
26	There is a sign needed at the intersection of Southbound Highway 22 and Hoffman Road in Mankato. I routinely walk across the westbound turning lane from southbound highway 22 traffic but there is no indication whether the cars are supposed to yield to walkers or if walkers should yield to traffic. I have almost been struck by cars who can not decide whether or not they are the ones who should be yielding to me when I begin to cross the turning lane.	6/19/2018 5:11 AM
27	at Prairie Winds School	6/18/2018 12:32 PM

#### Q4 What type of pedestrian crossing are you comfortable using in Mankato? Select all that apply.



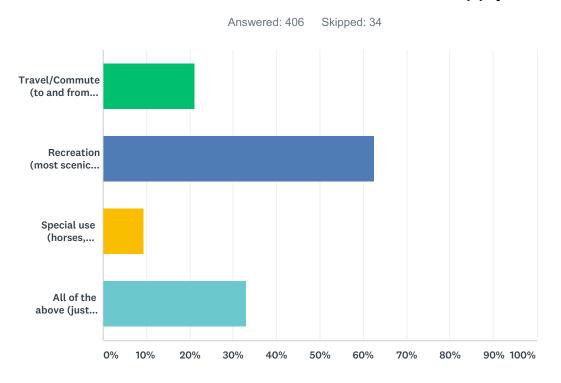
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Signal (at intersection only)	59.85%	240
Roundabout (at intersection only)	28.18%	113
Grade separated crossing (underpass or overpass)	75.31%	302
Total Respondents: 401		

#### Q5 What type of grade-separated pedestrian crossing (separates pedestrians from traffic flow) do you prefer in Mankato? Please select one.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Overpass (bridge)	41.91%	171
Underpass (tunnel)	20.83%	85
No preference	37.25%	152
TOTAL		408

#### Q6 Tell us how you would use the Minnesota River State Trail between Mankato and St. Peter. Select all that apply.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Travel/Commute (to and from work/shortest route along Hwy 22)	21.18%	86
Recreation (most scenic closer to the MN River, family friendly)	62.56%	254
Special use (horses, snowmobiles)	9.36%	38
All of the above (just happy to have a trail anywhere)	33.00%	134
Total Respondents: 406		

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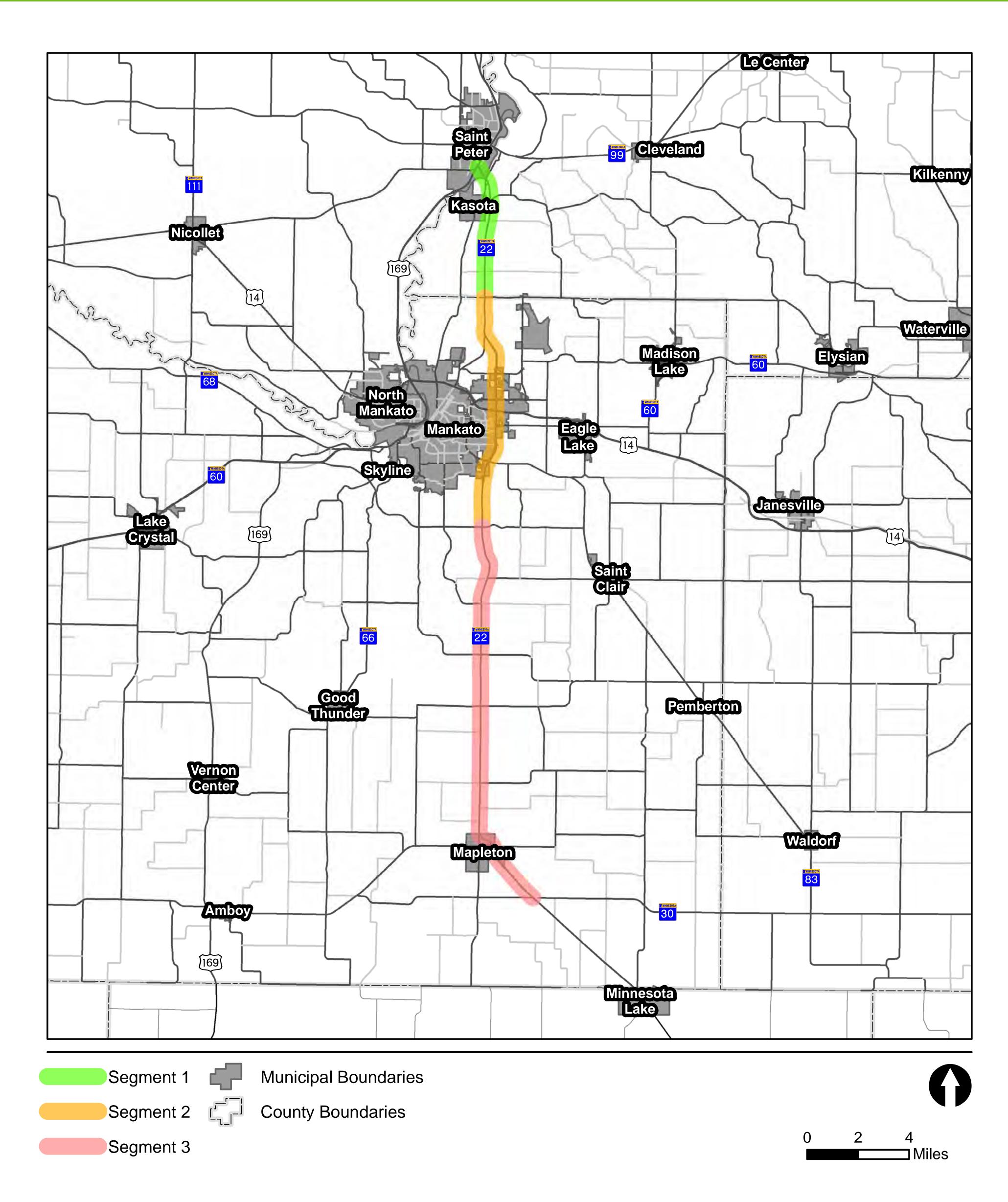


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## About the Study



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Visit the study website for more information:

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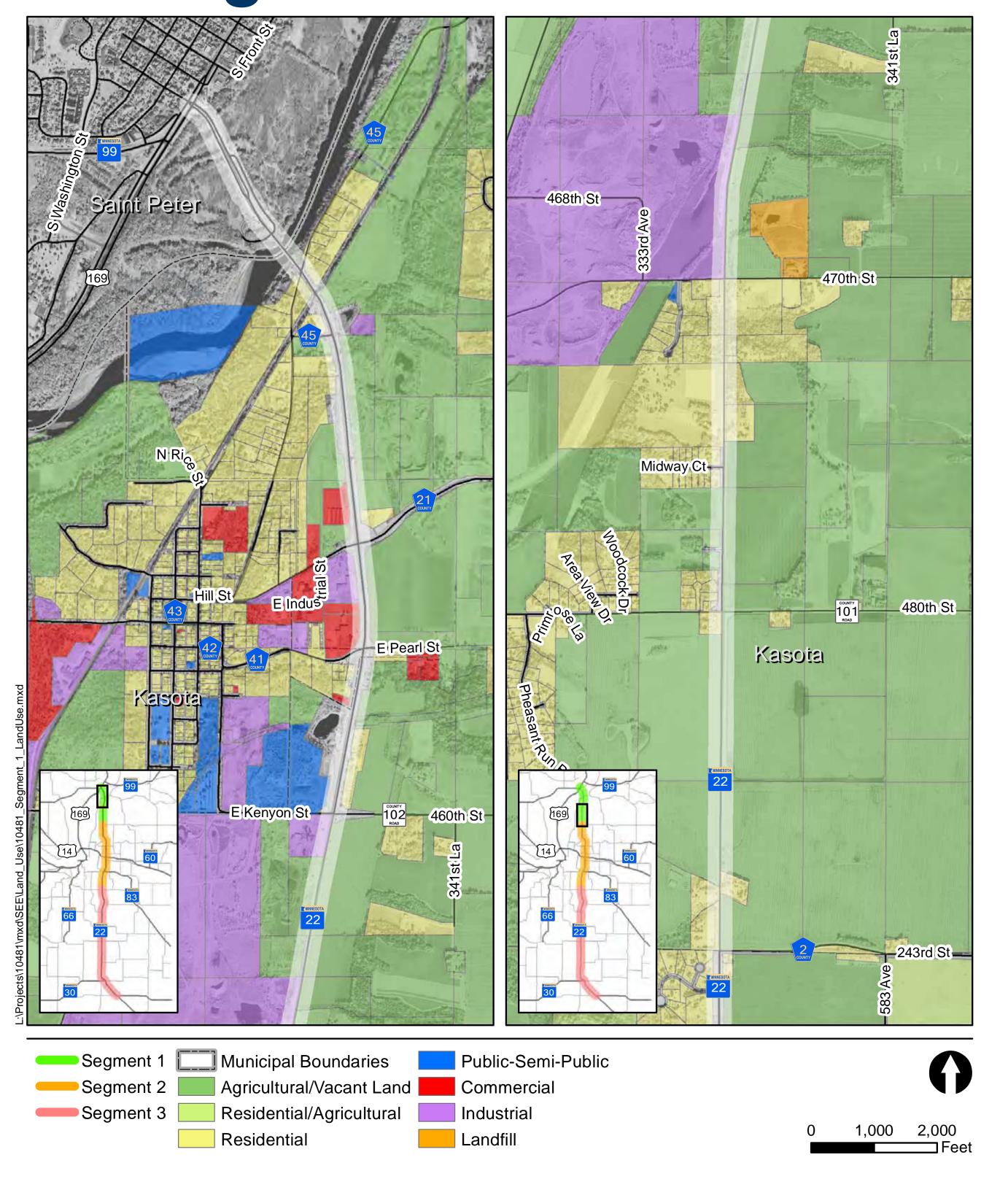
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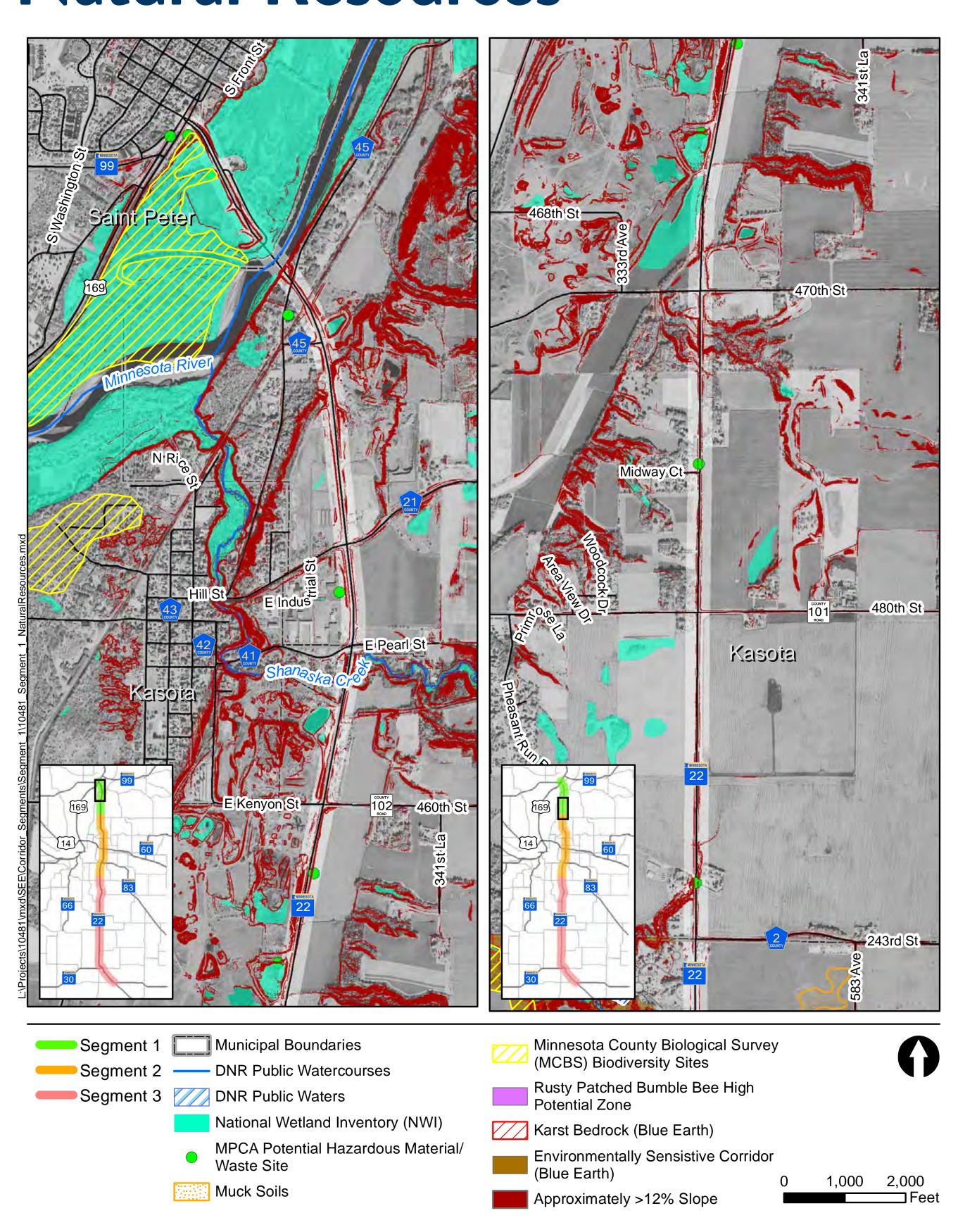




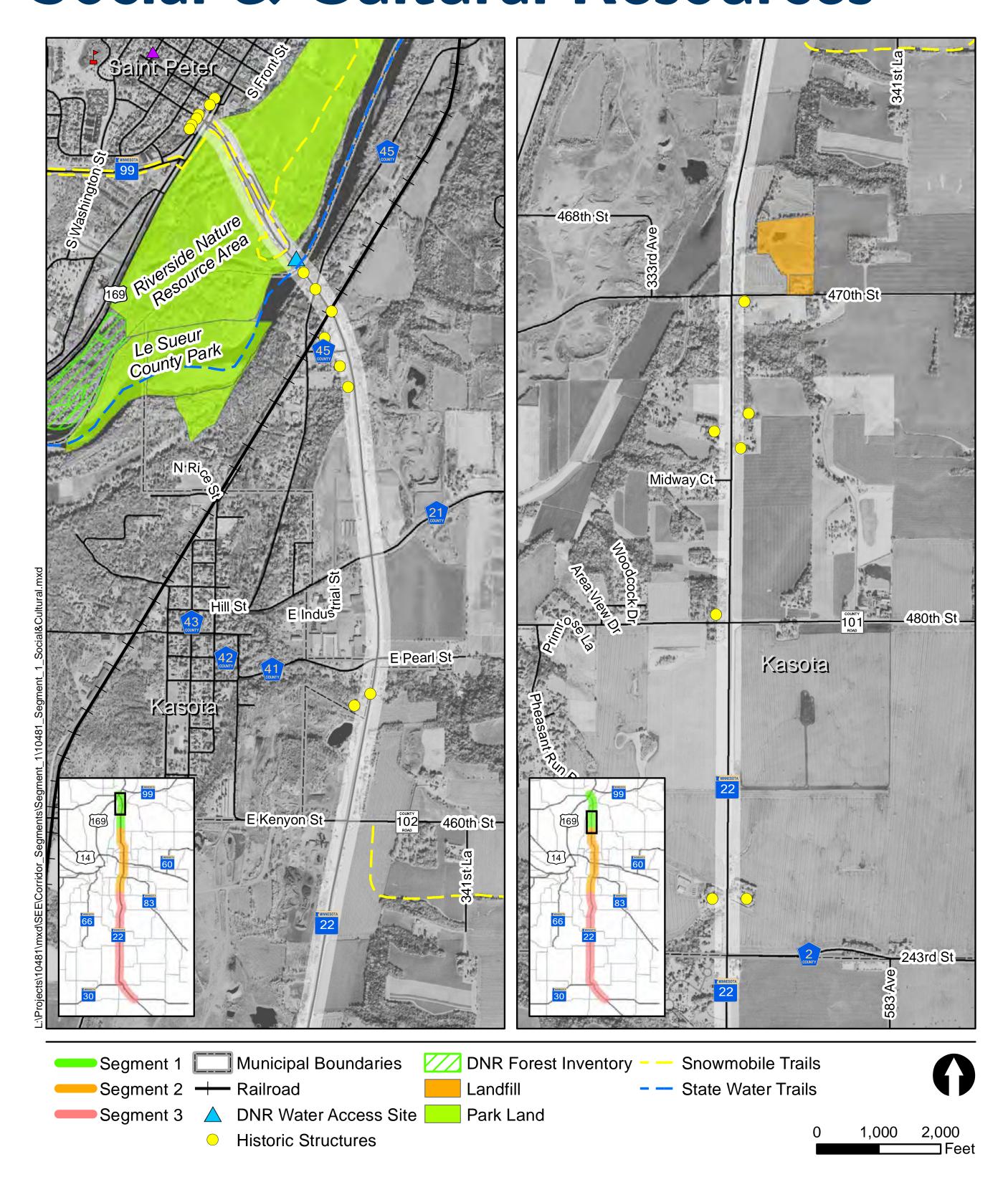
### Existing Land Use



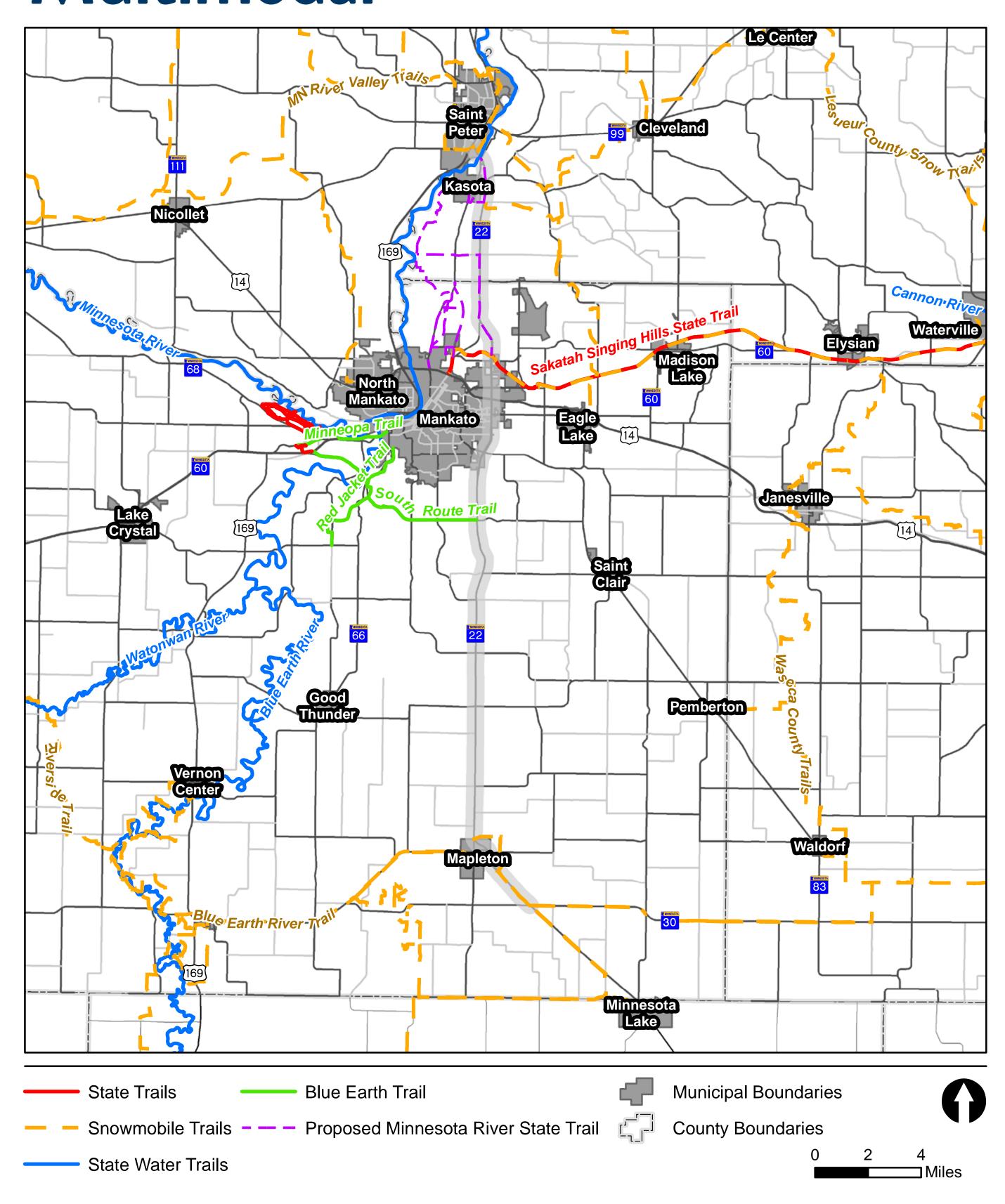
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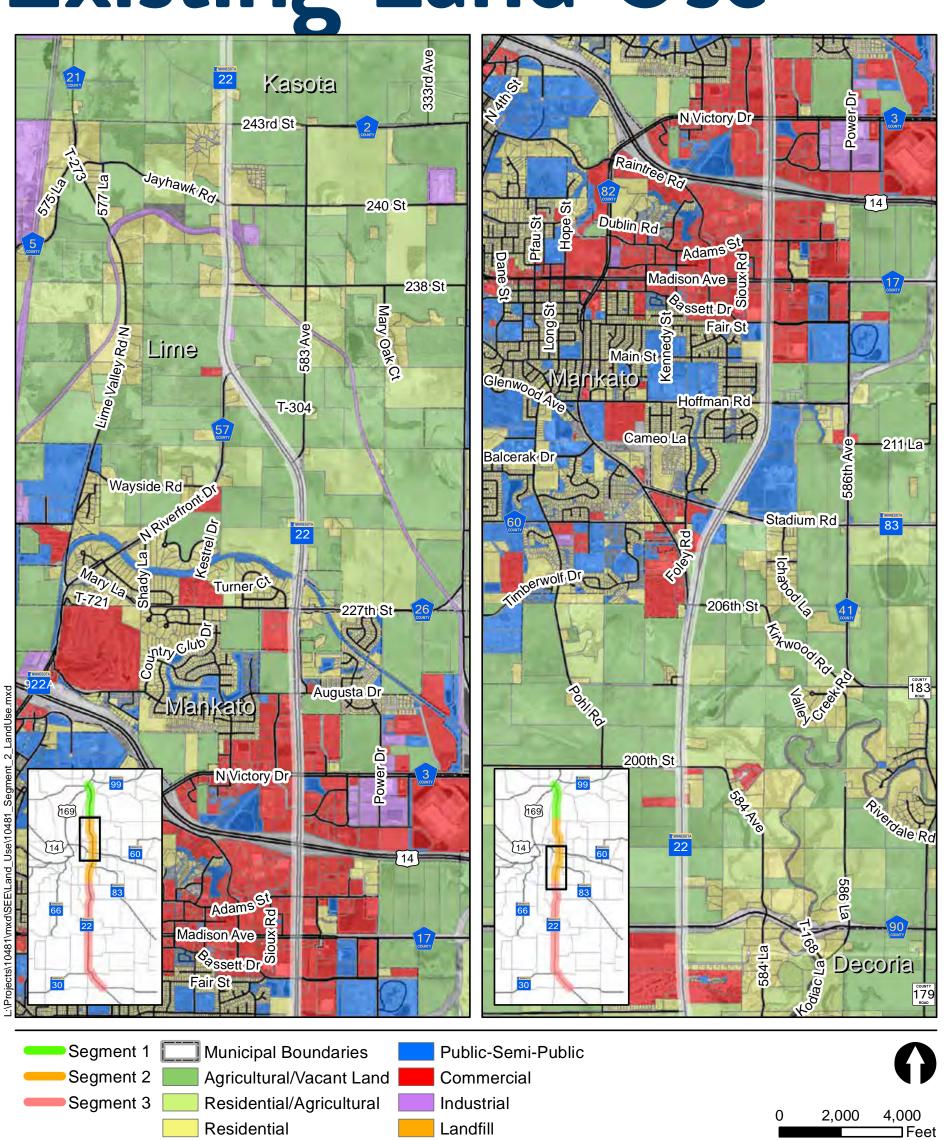




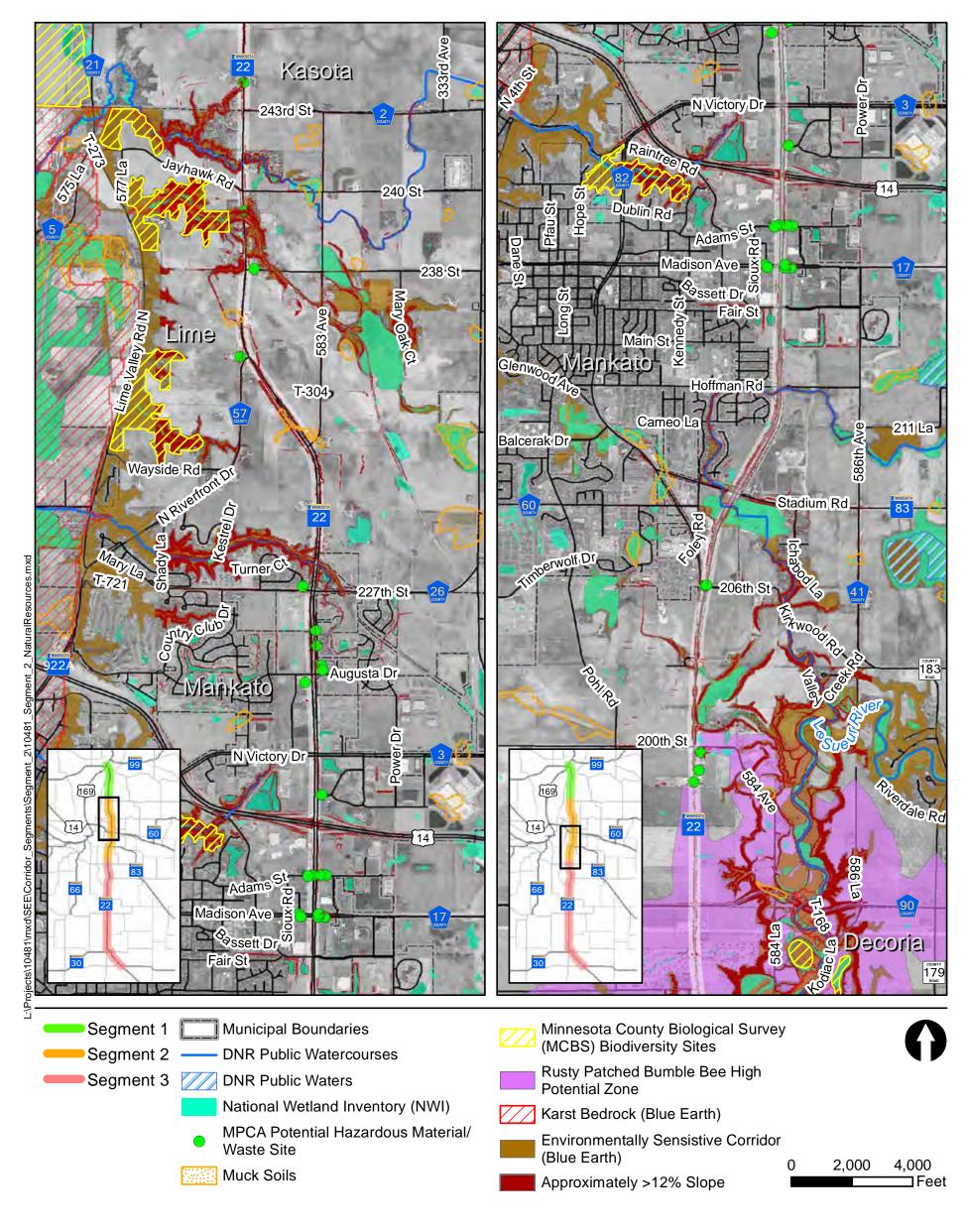




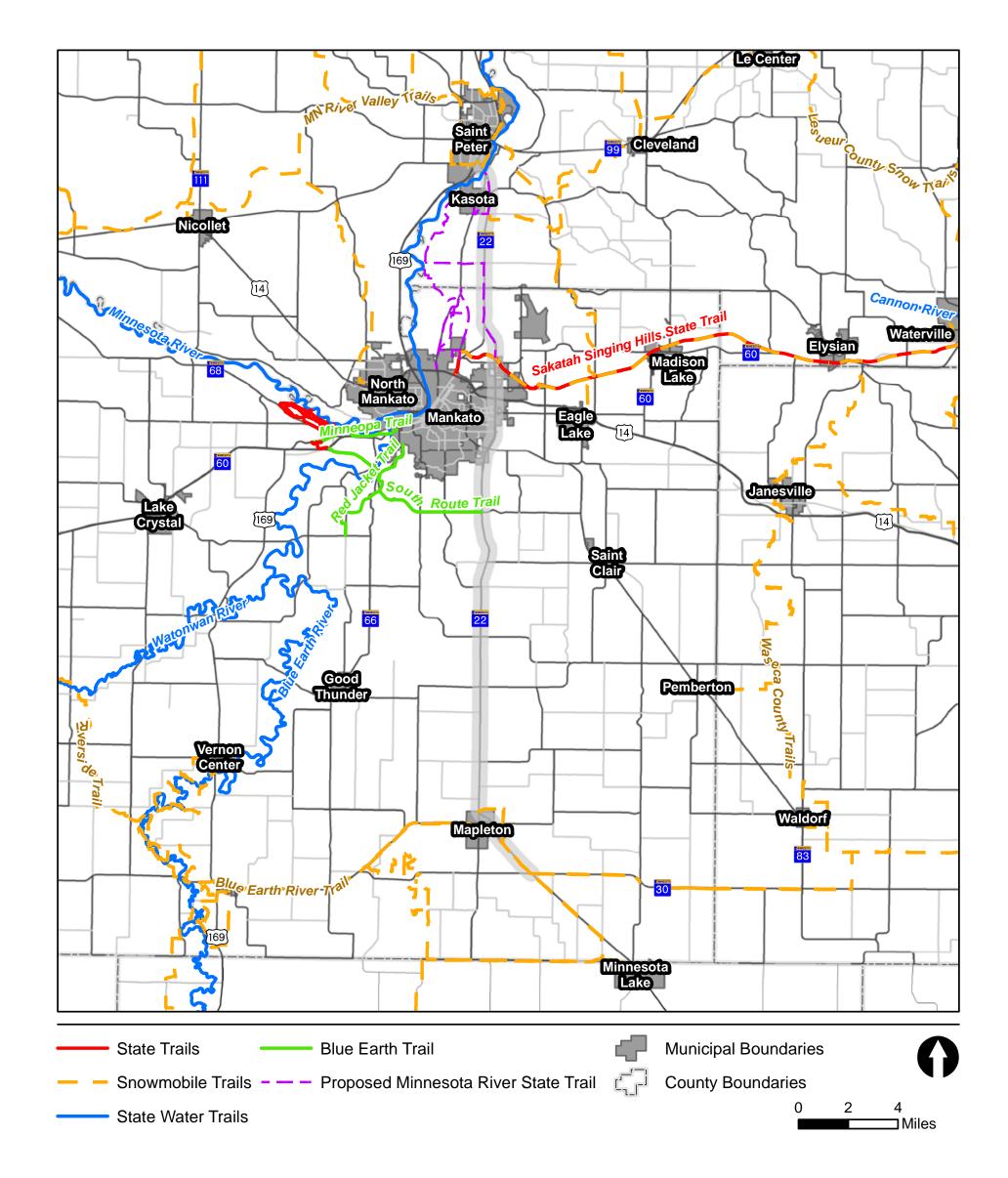
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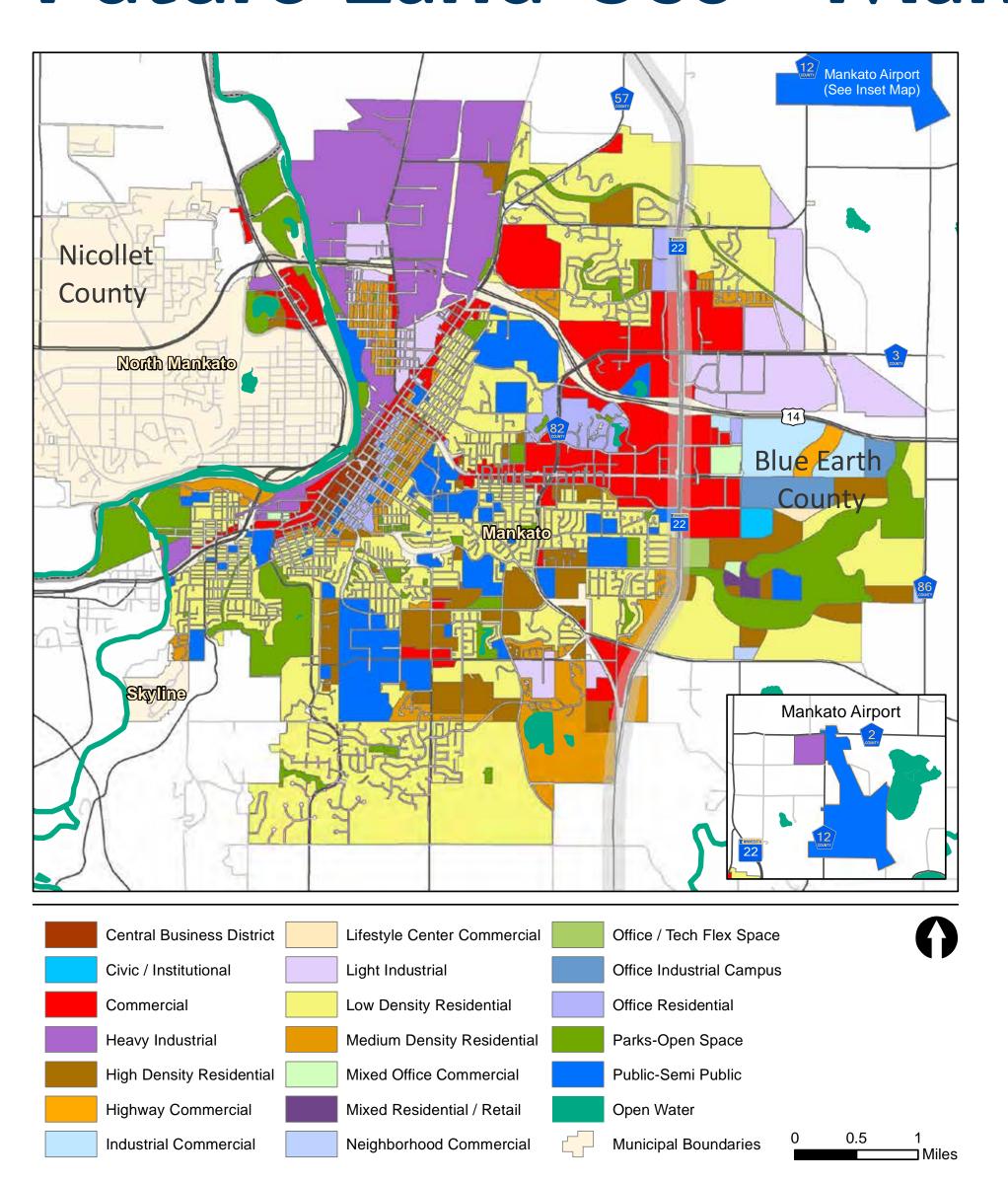
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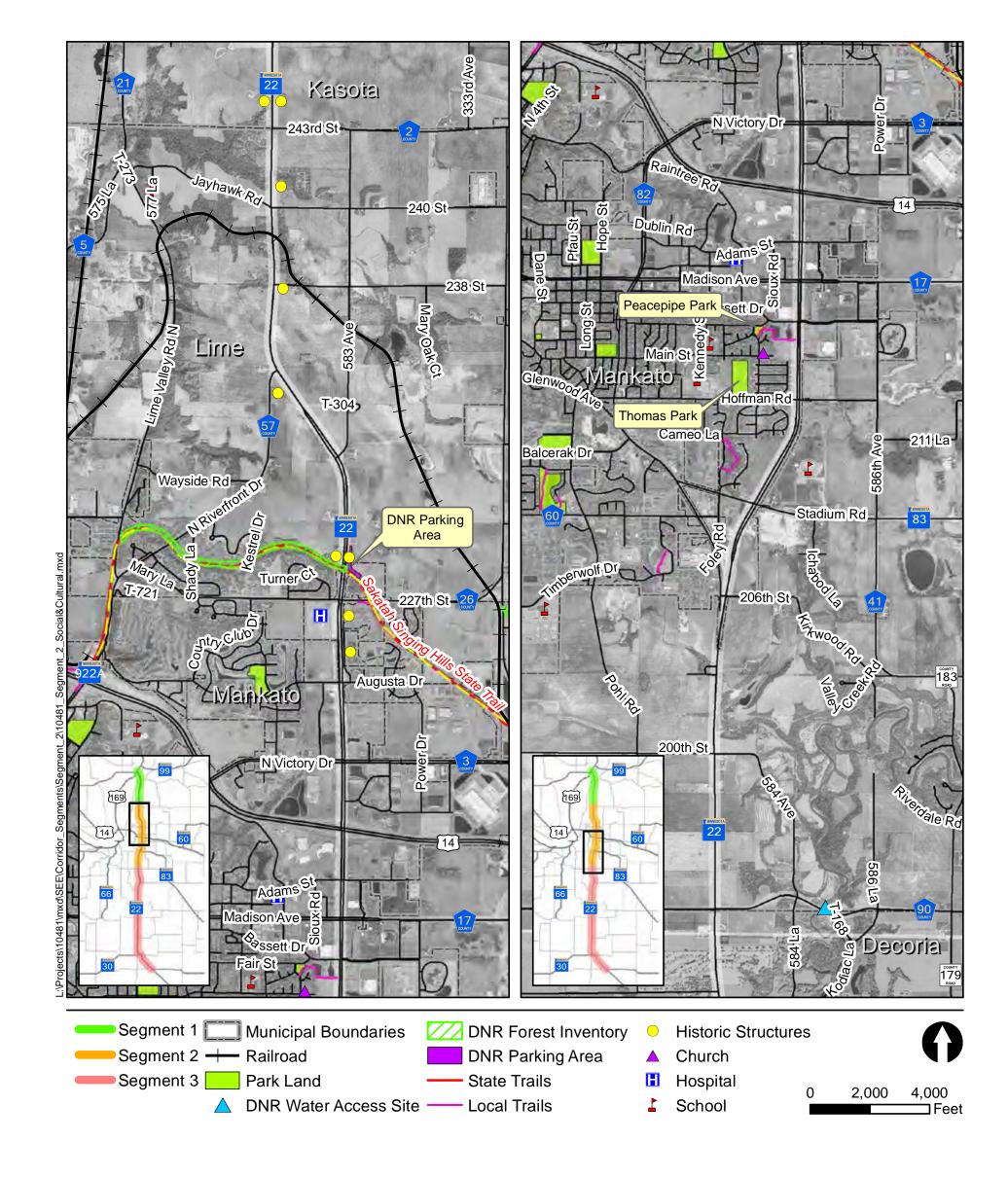
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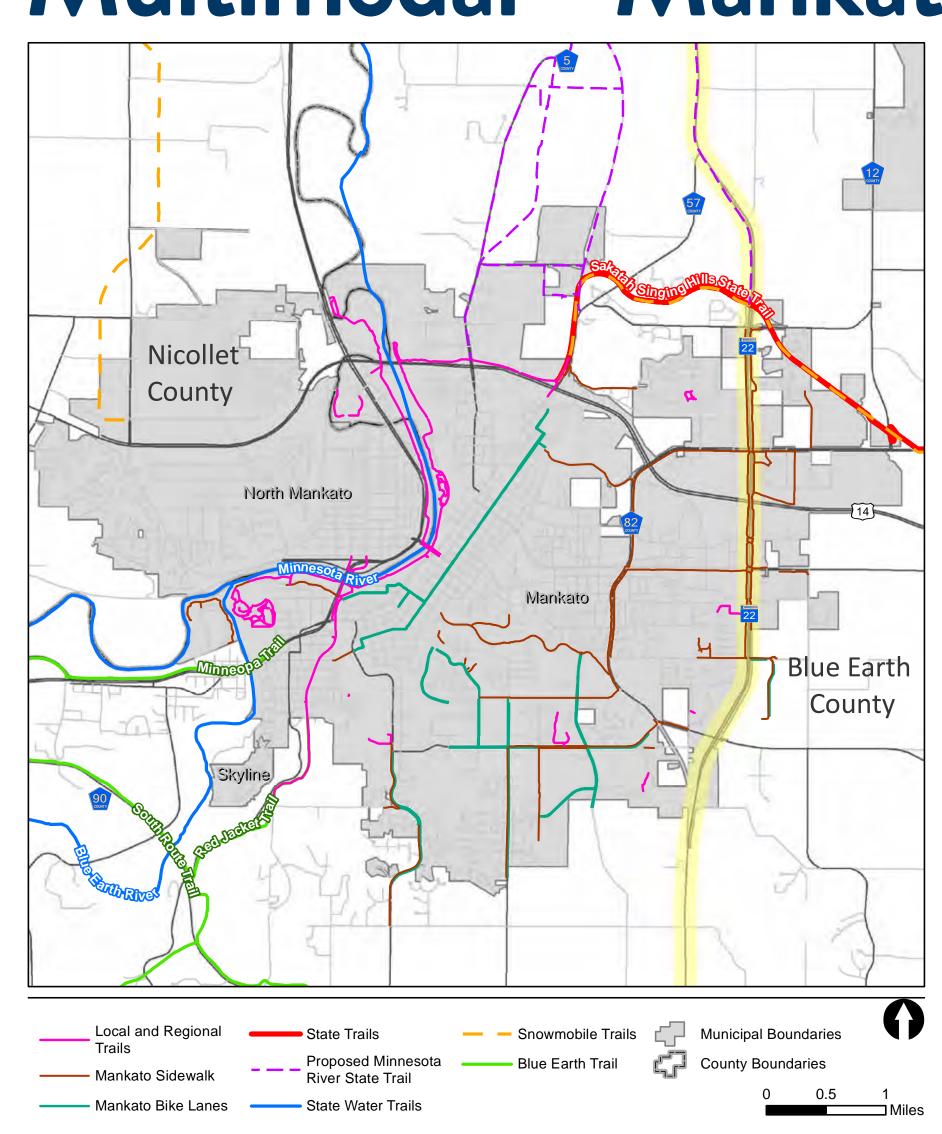
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### Multimodal - Mankato



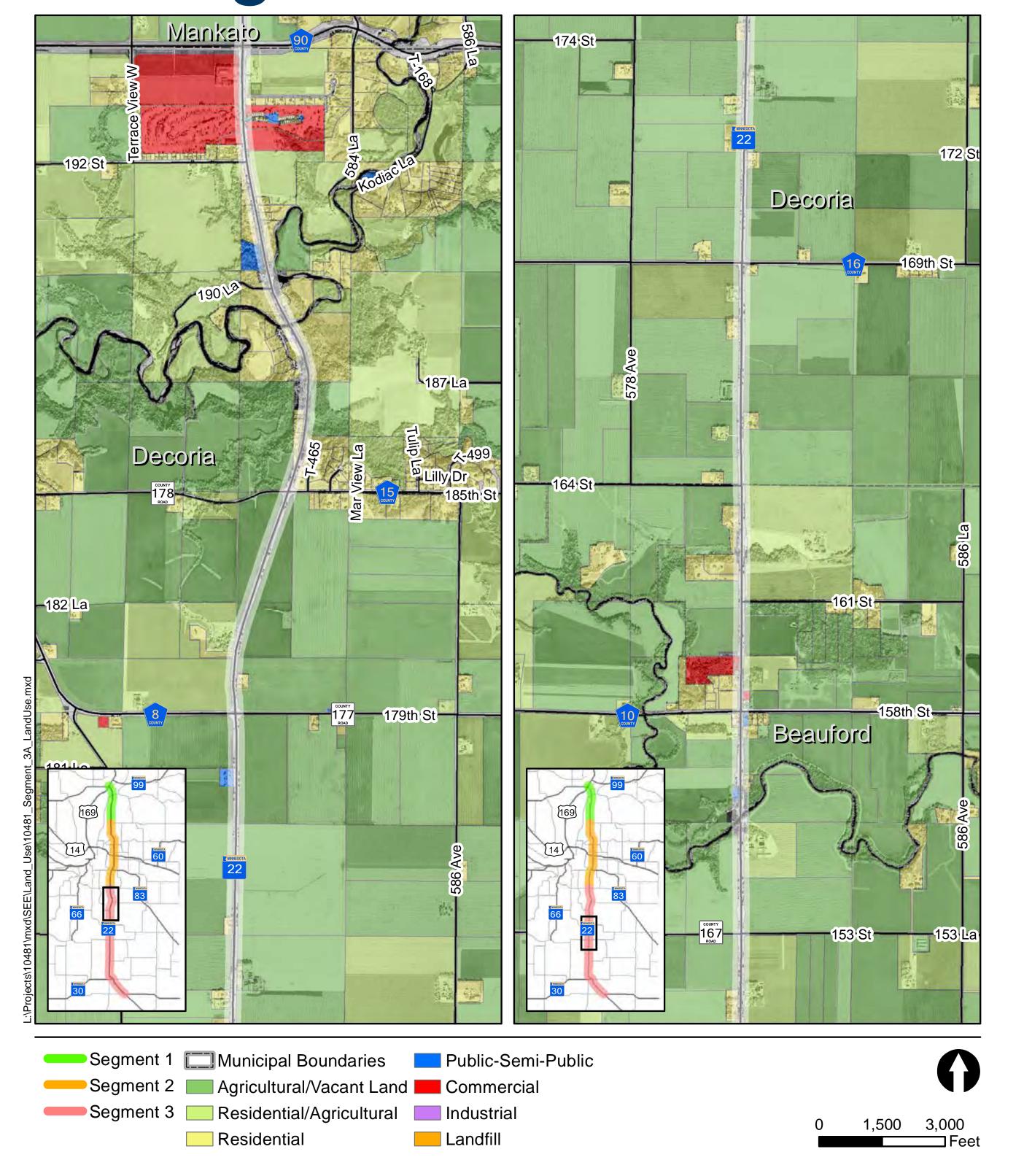




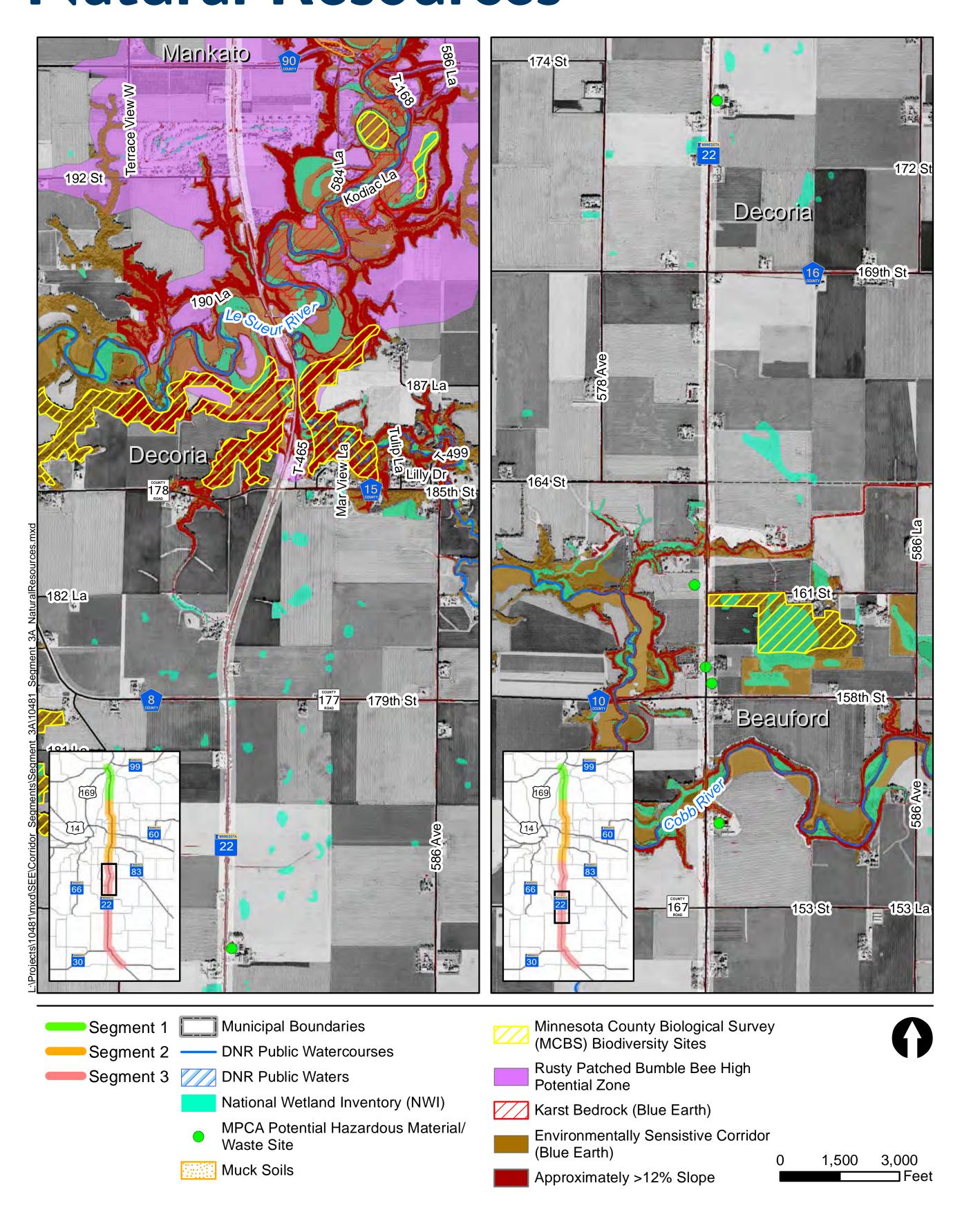


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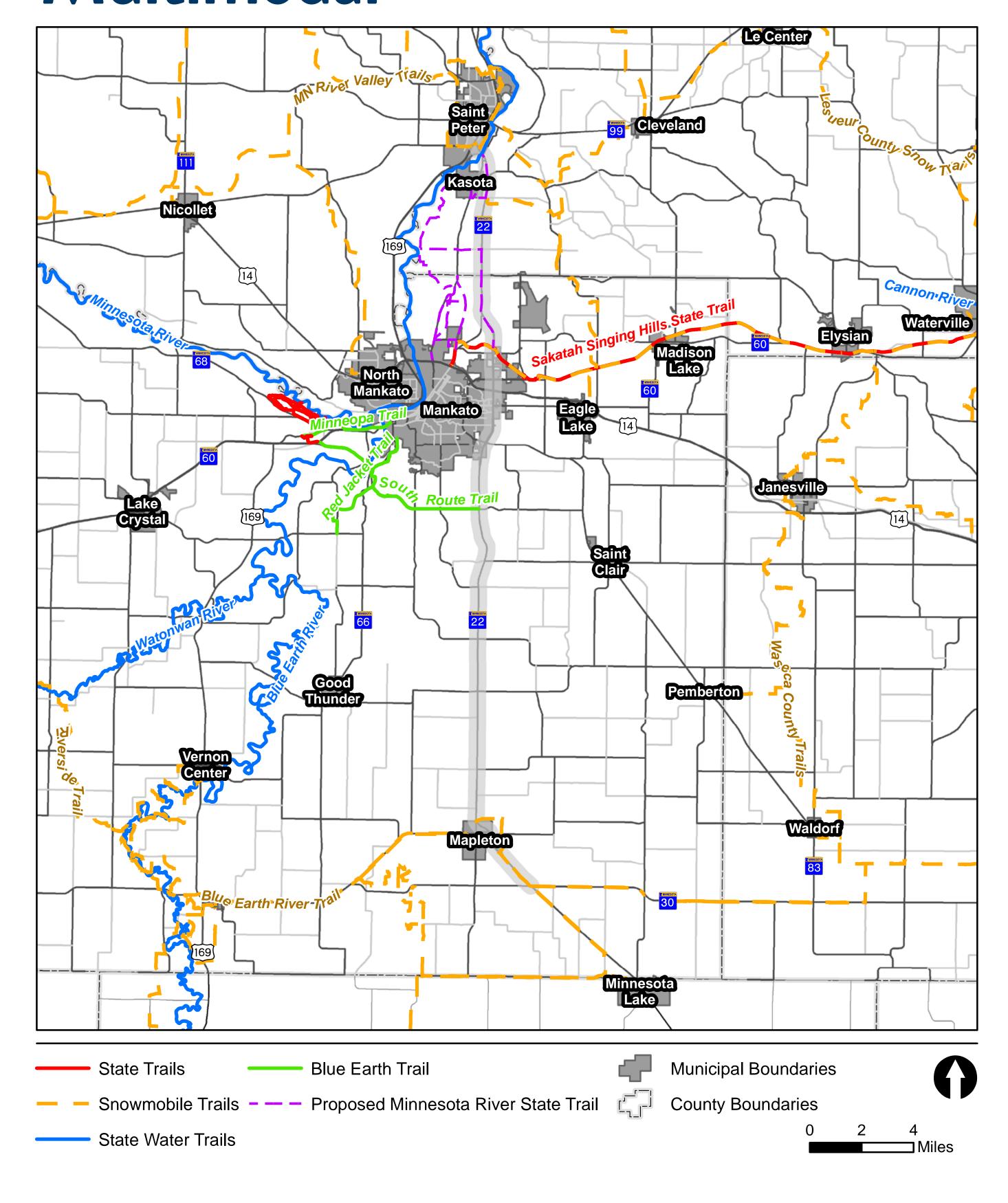
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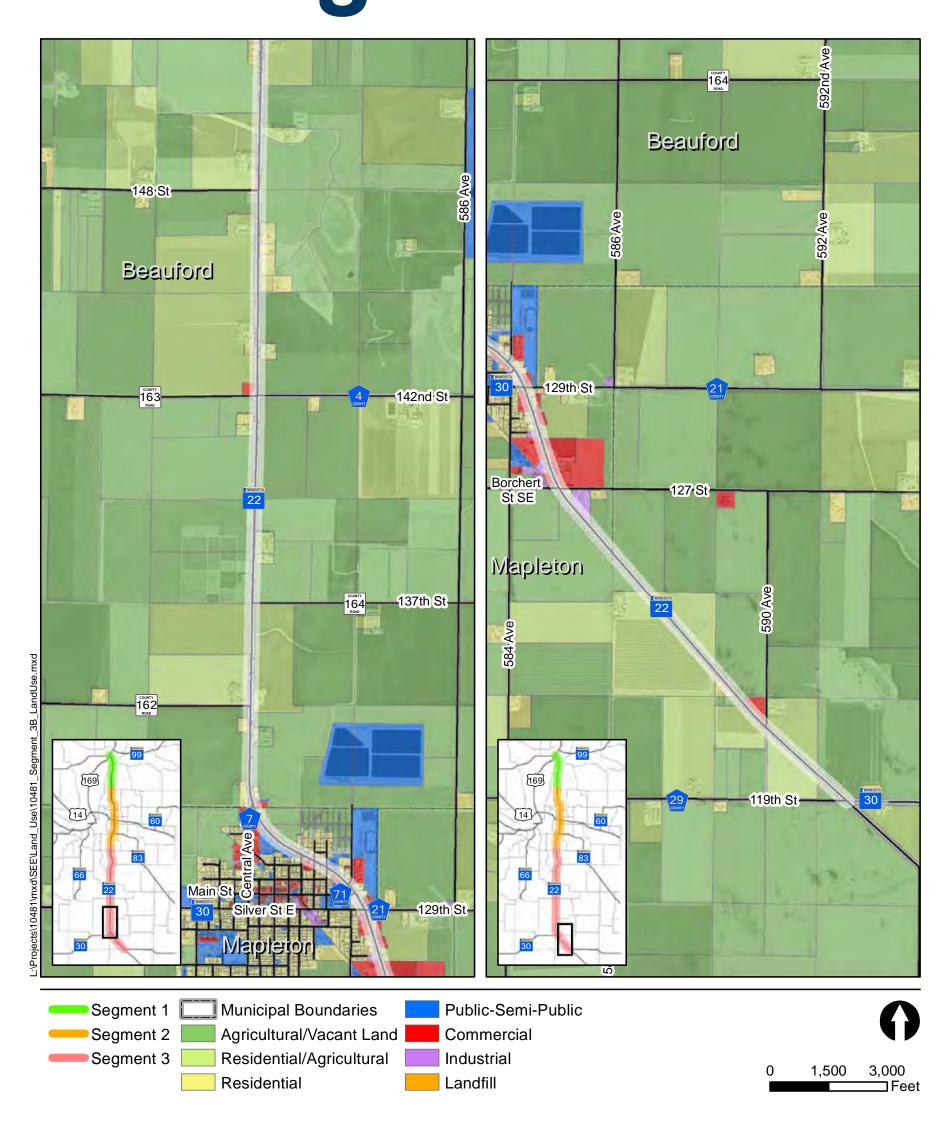




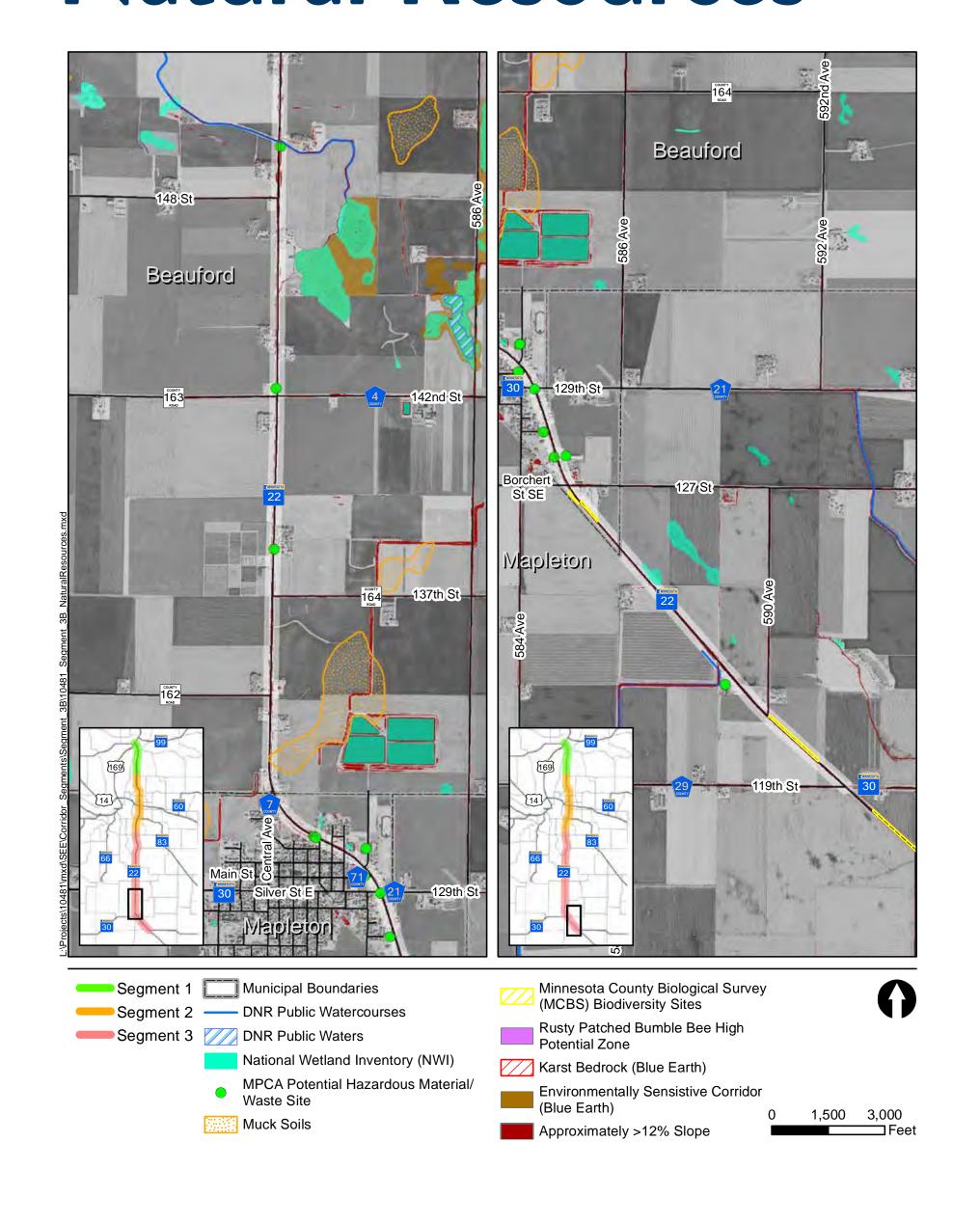


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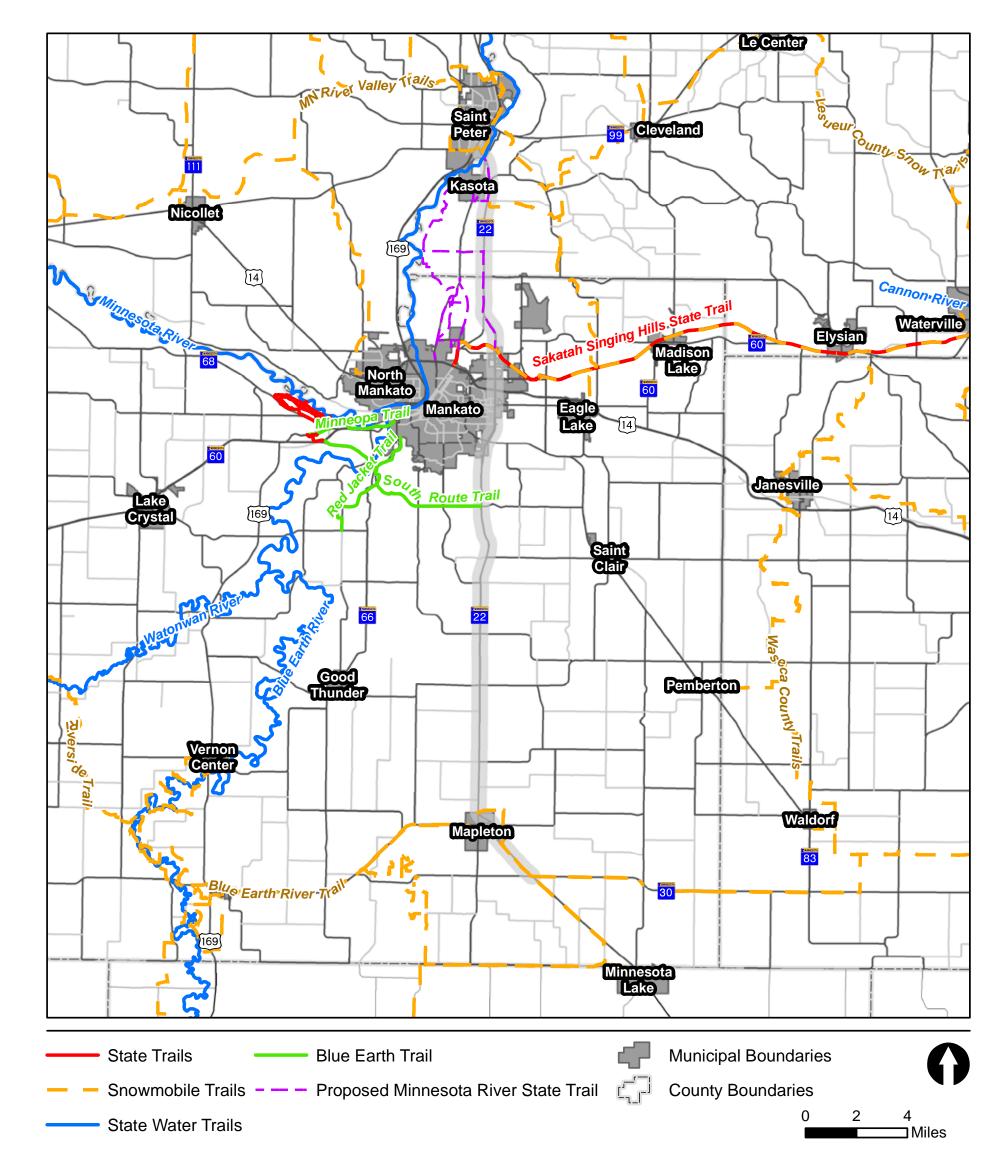
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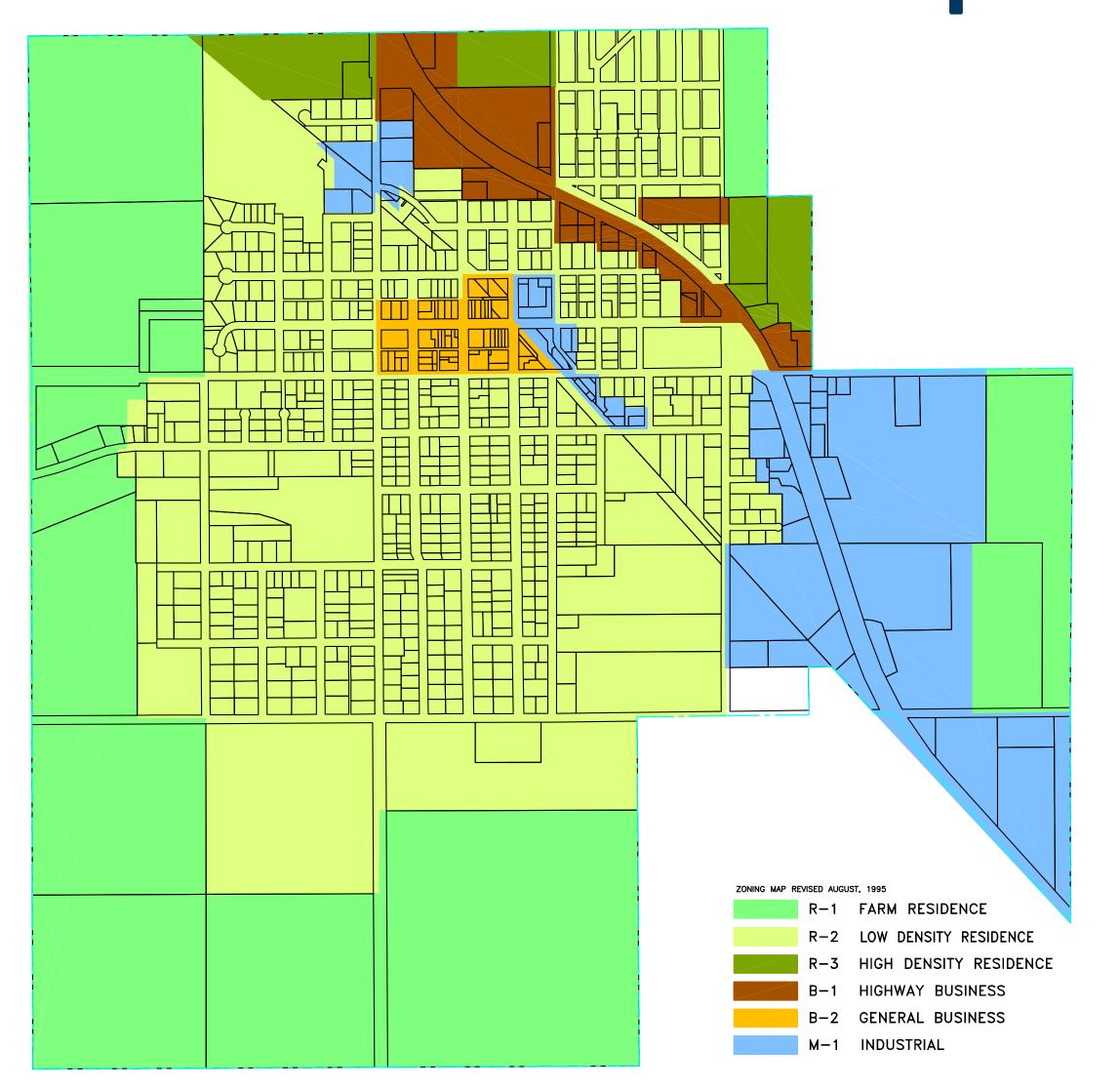
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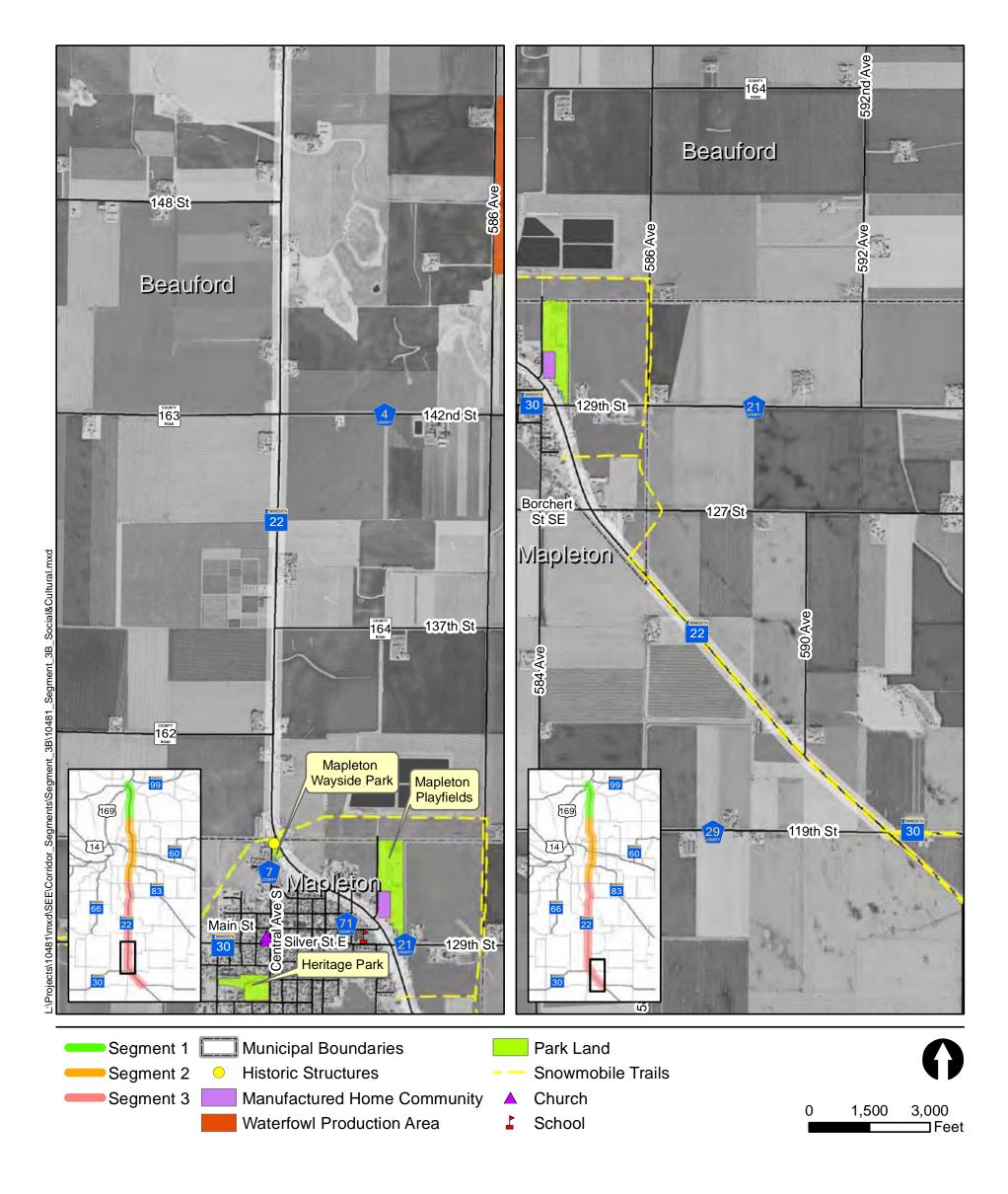
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#### Social & Cultural Resources

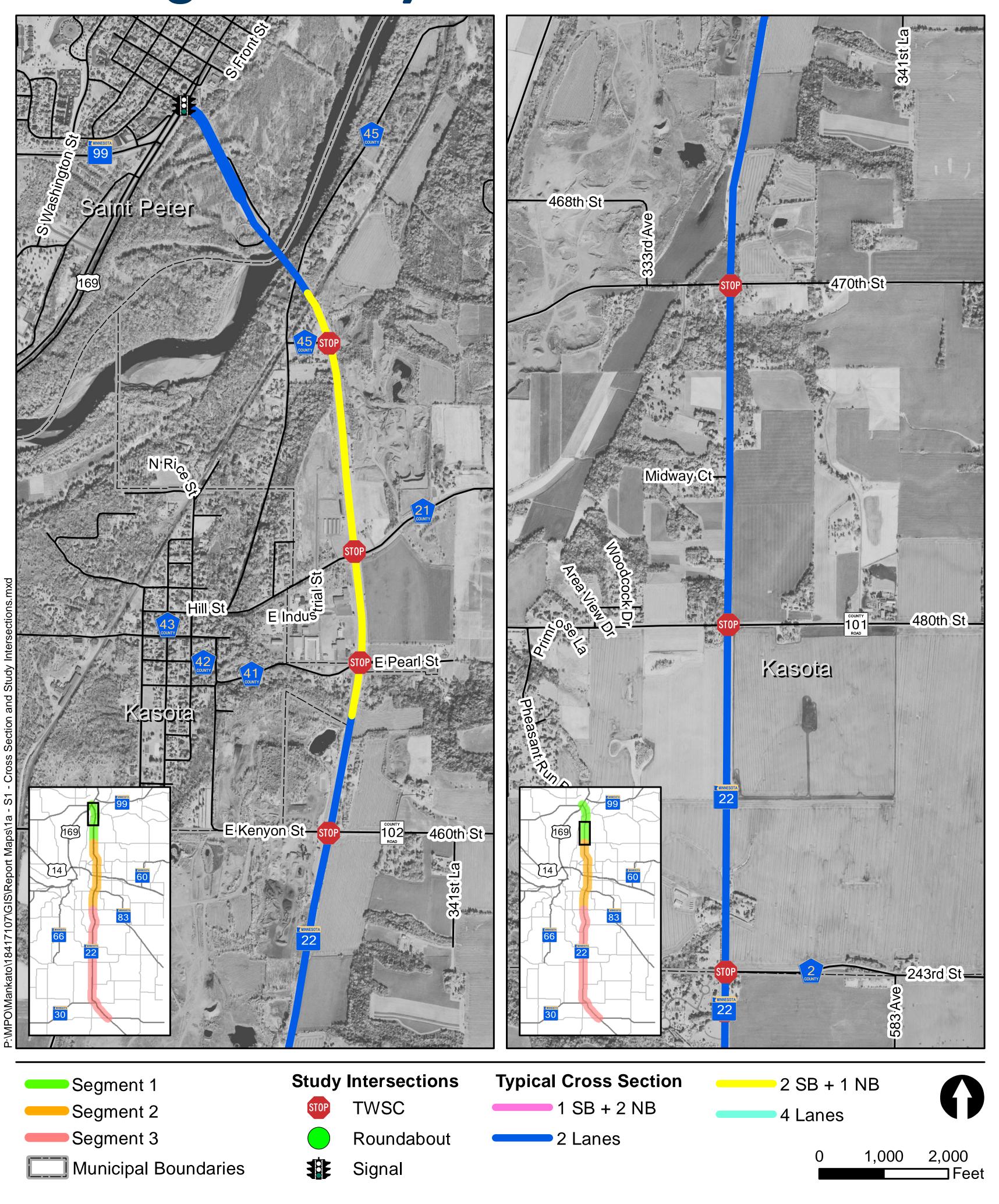


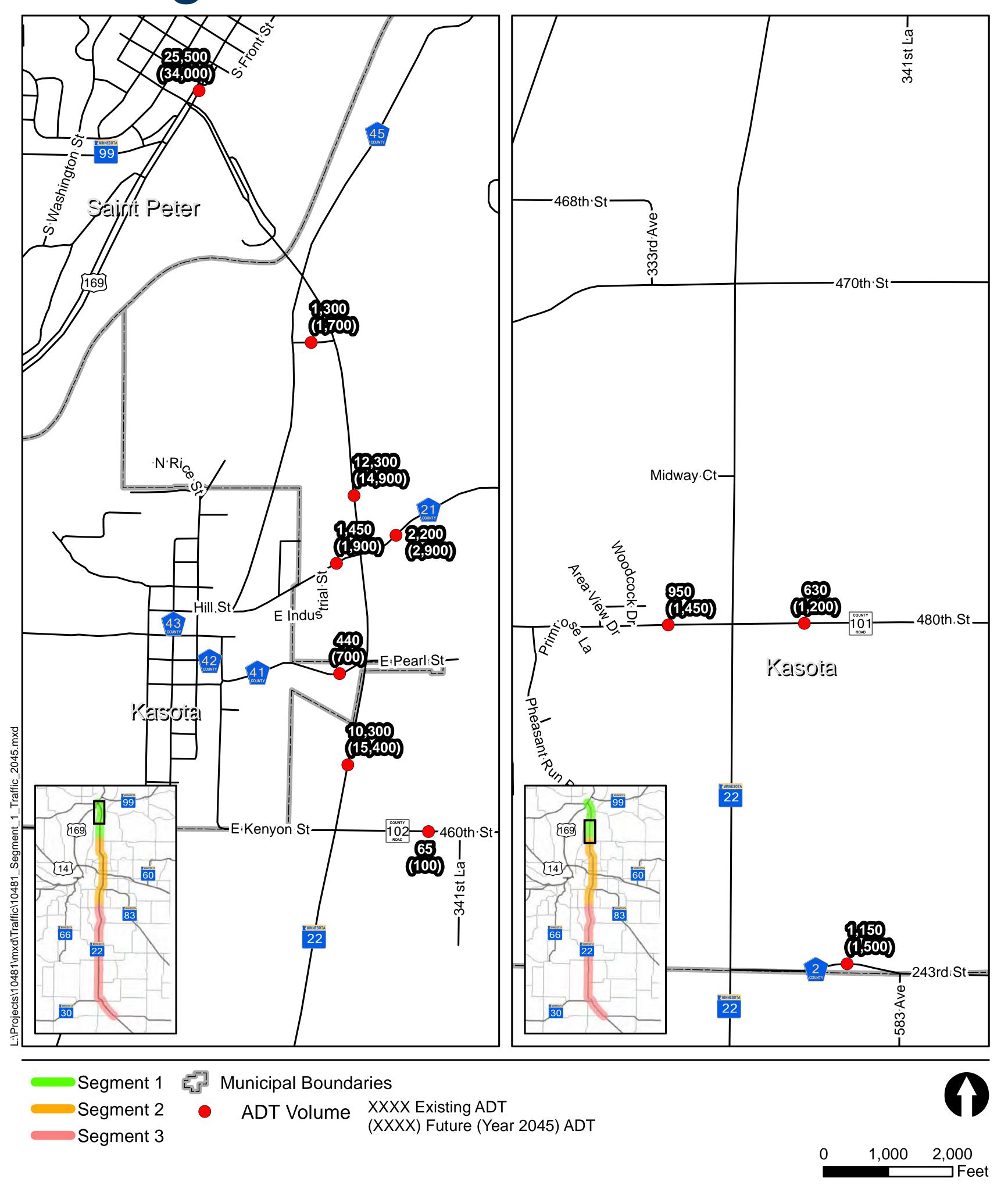






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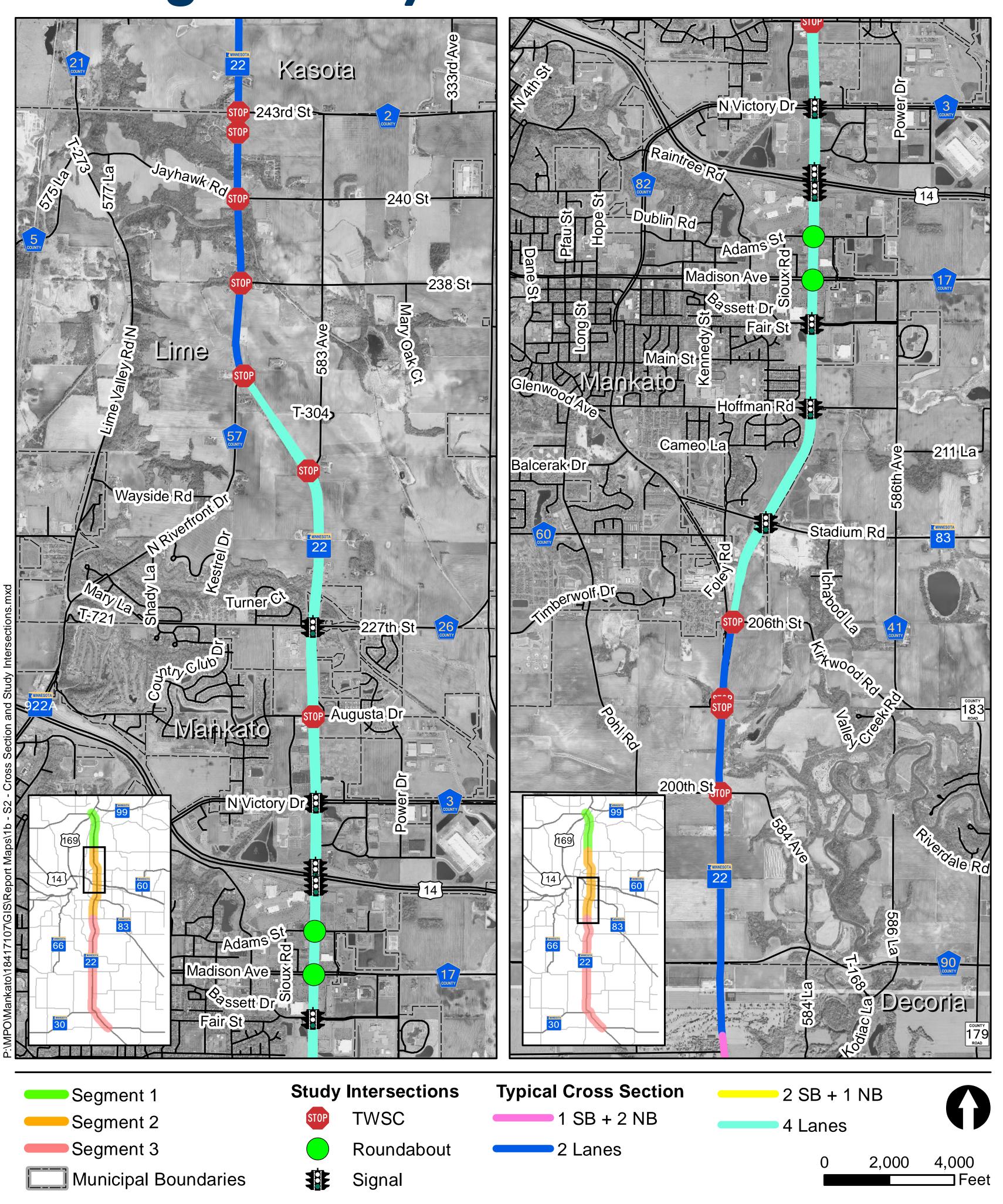


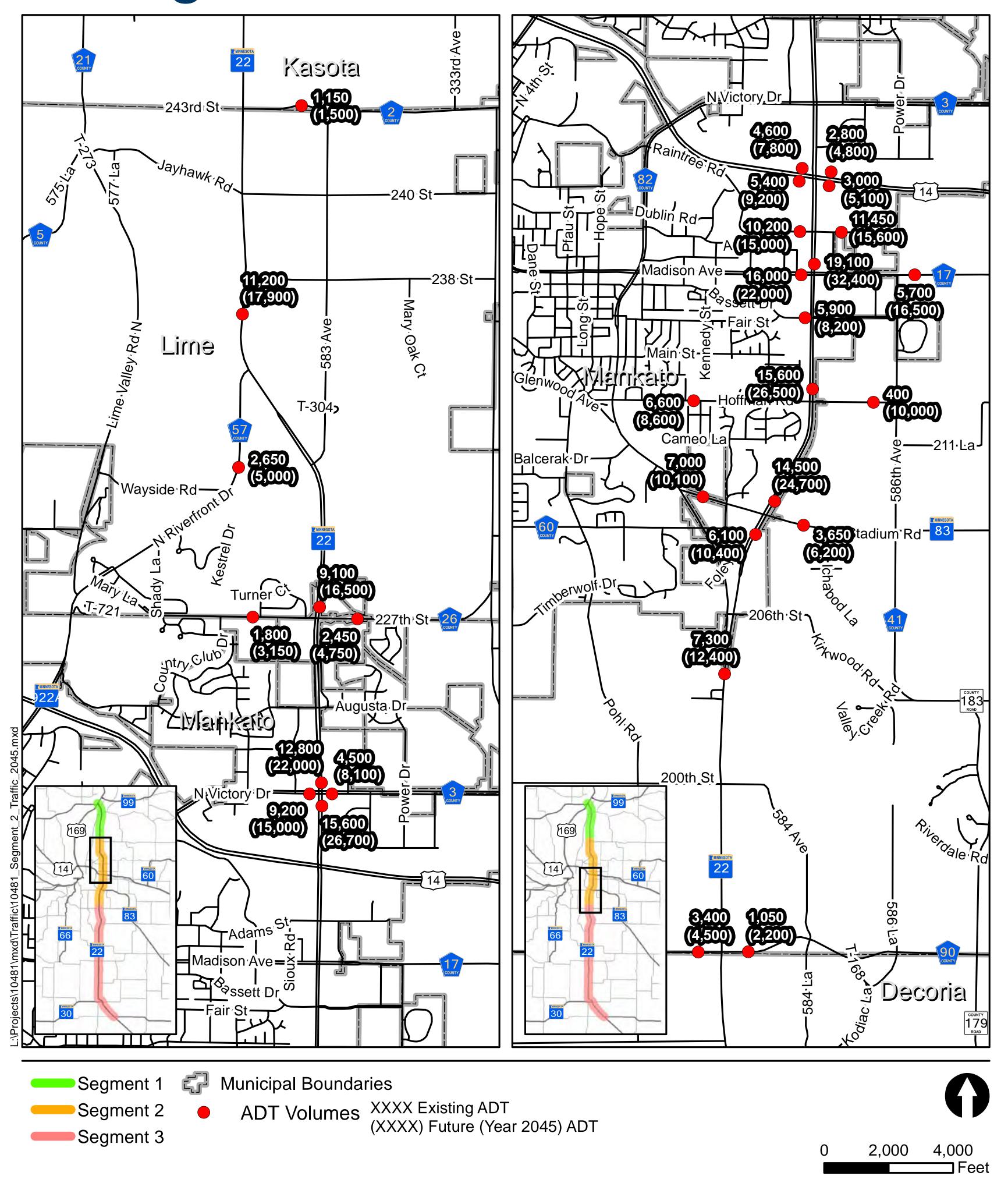






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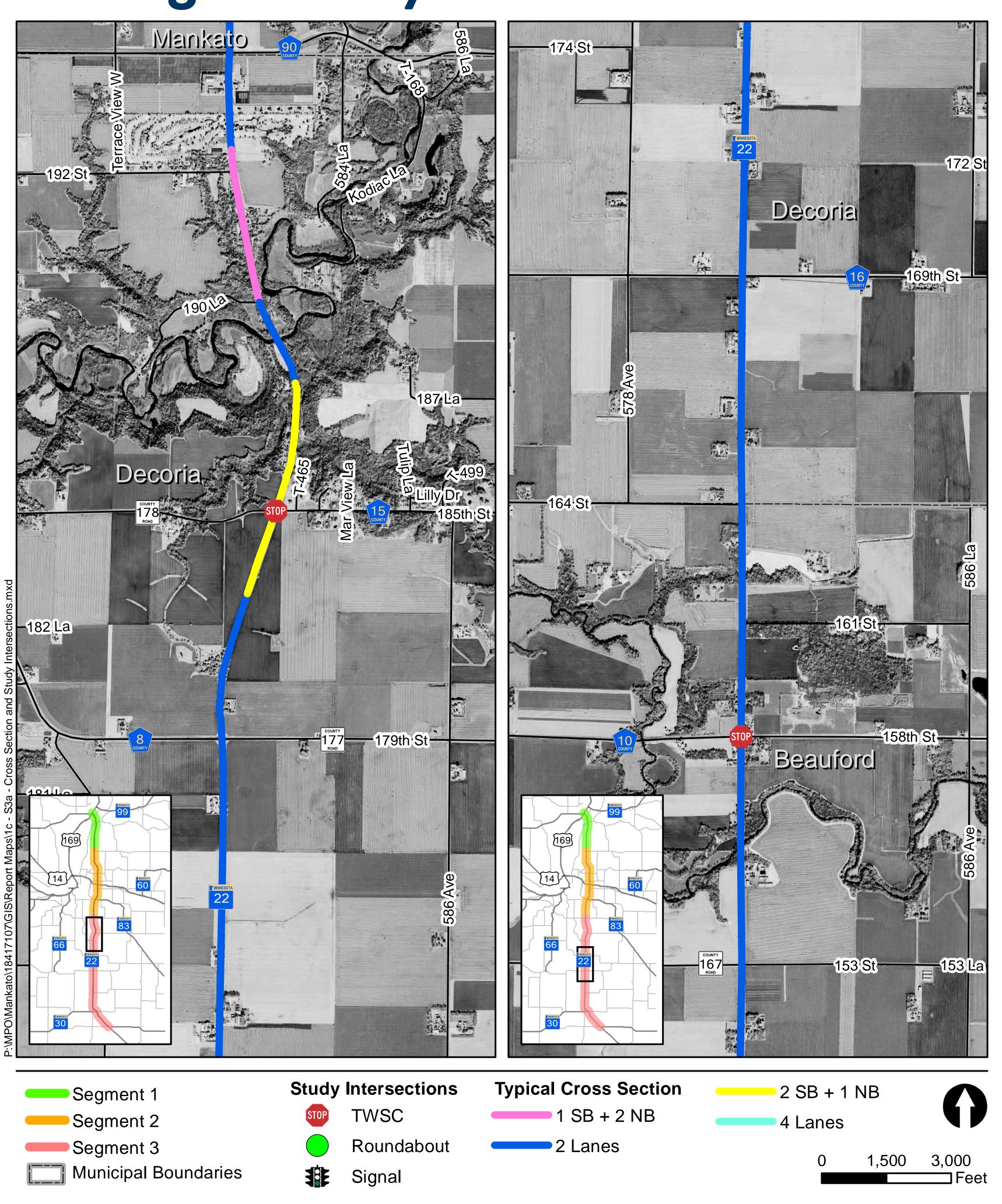


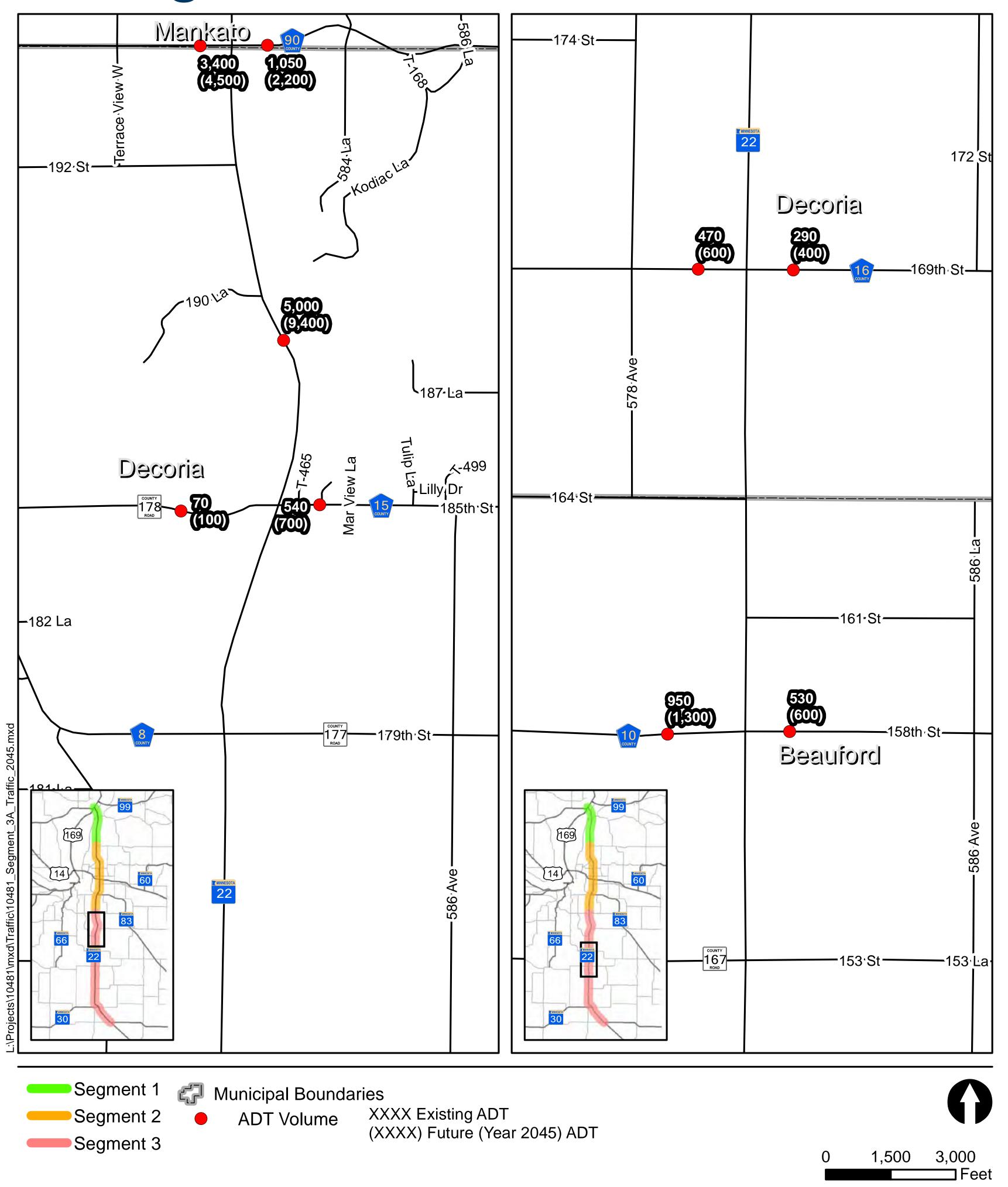




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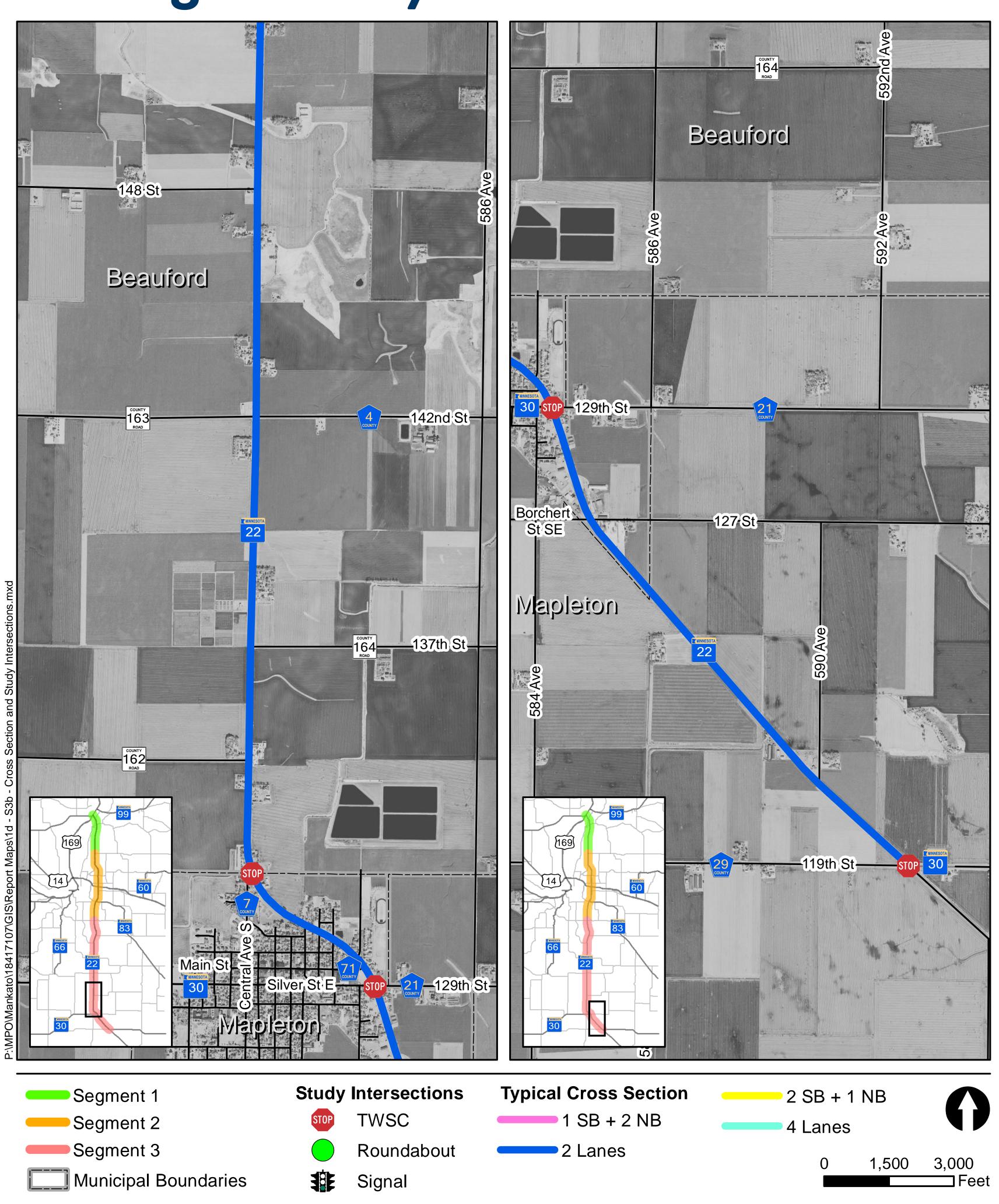


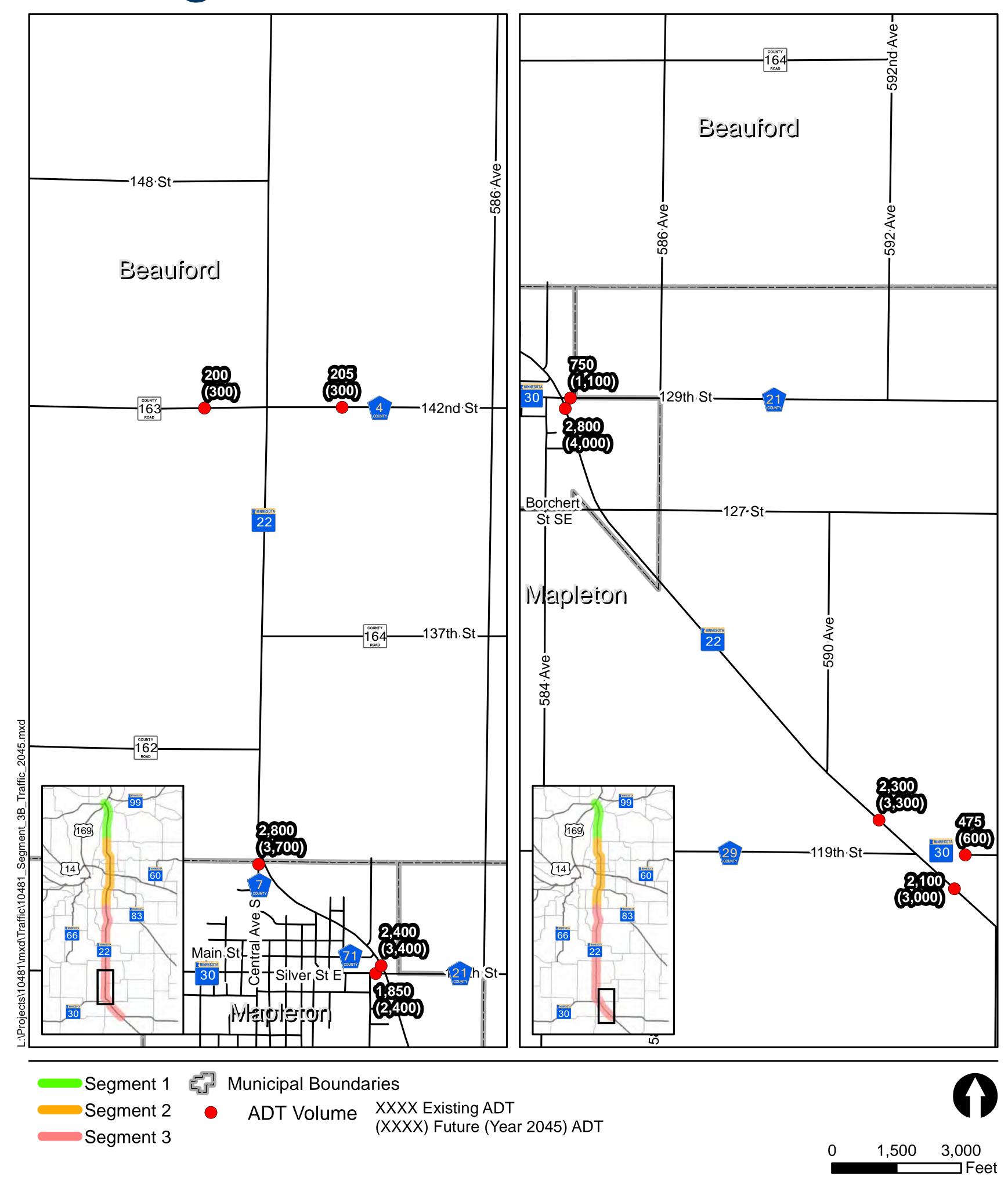






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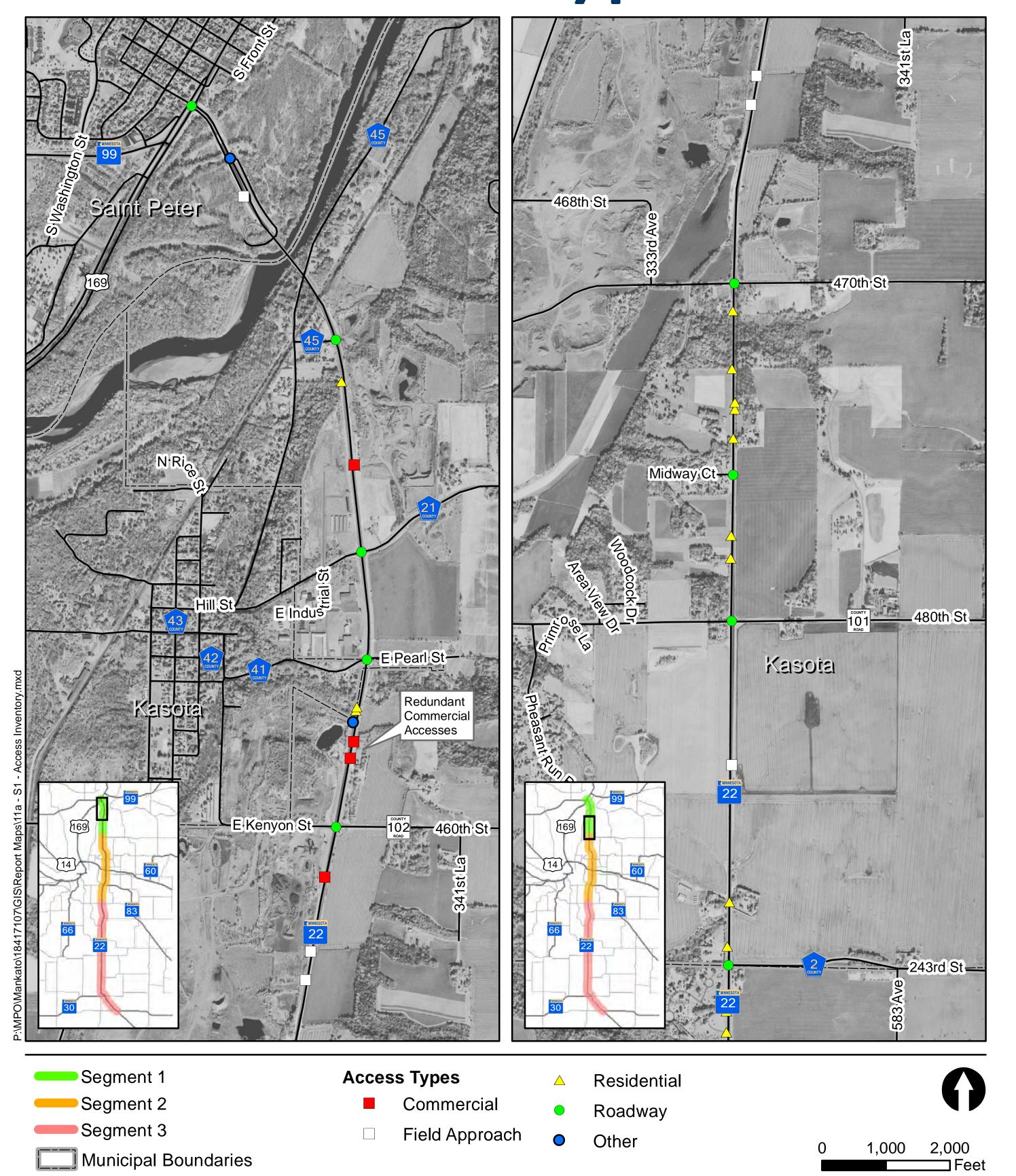




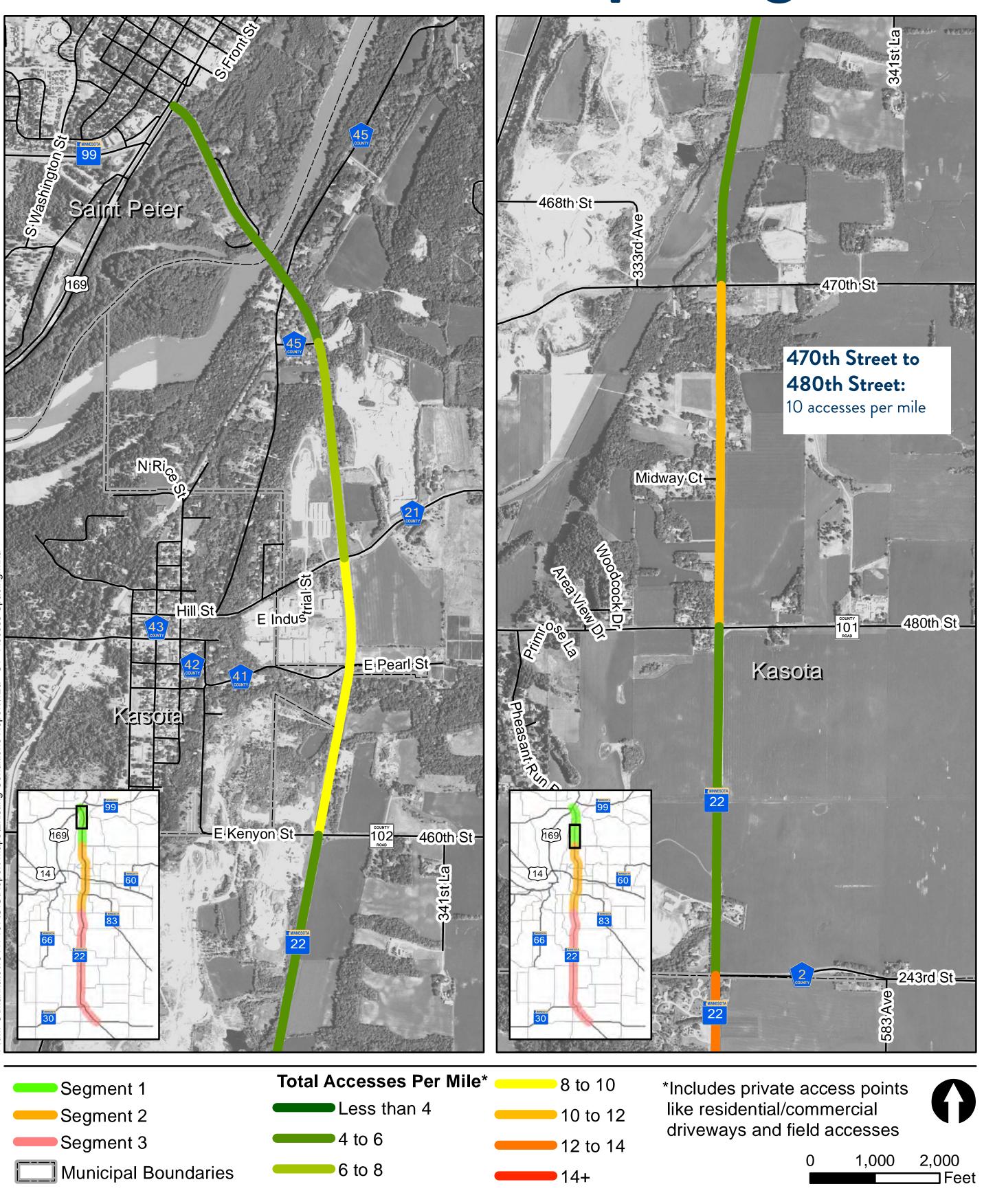


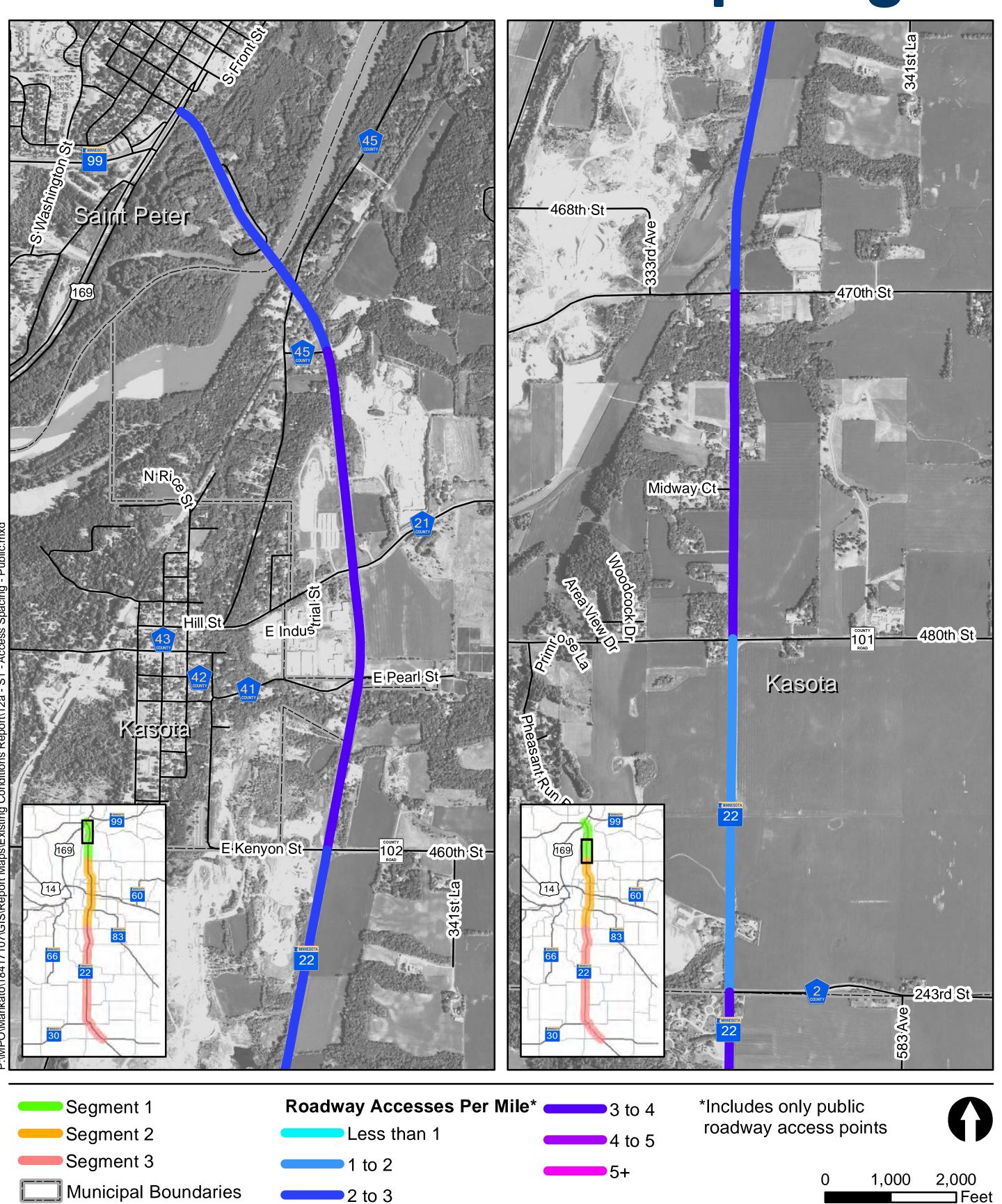


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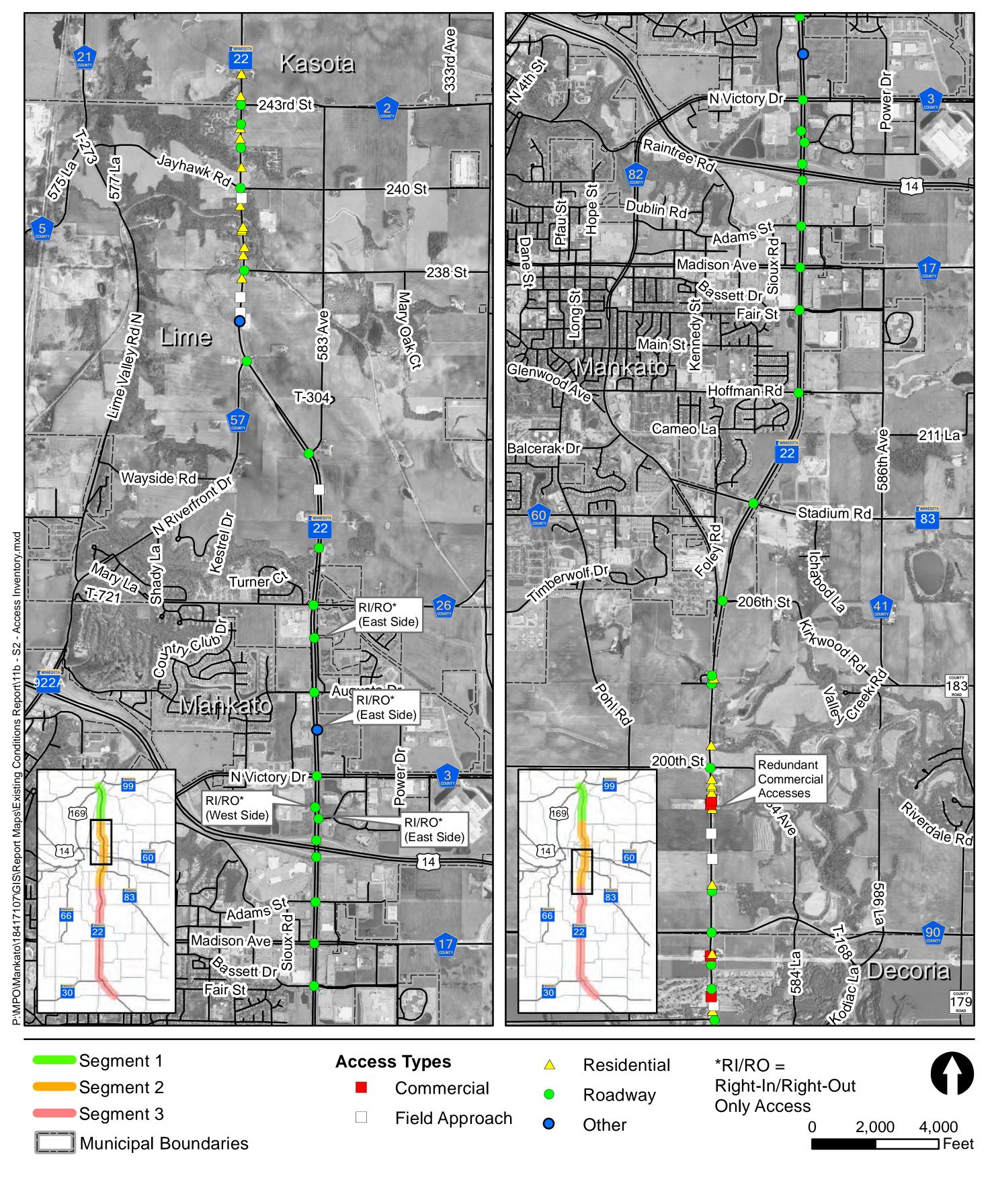
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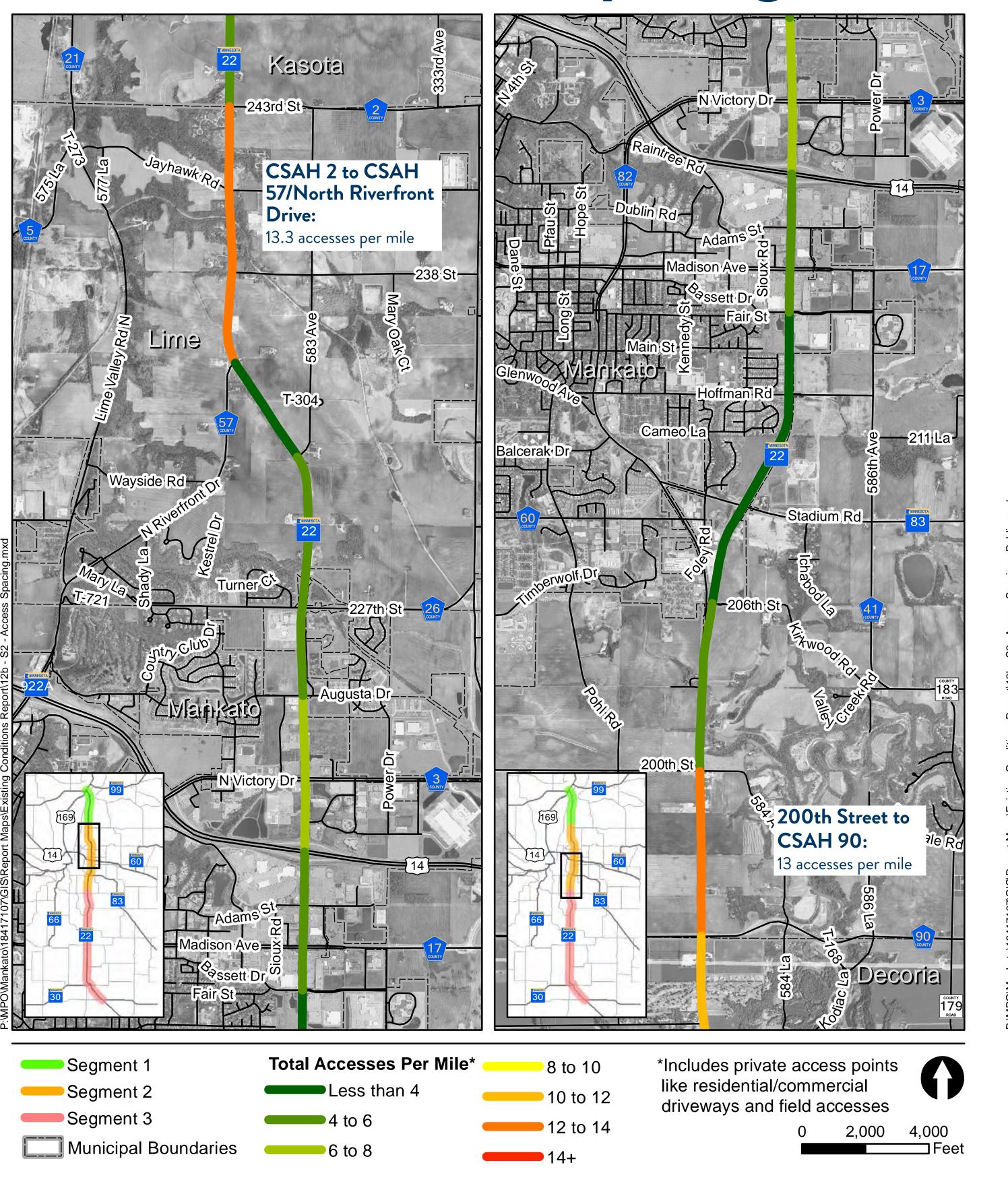


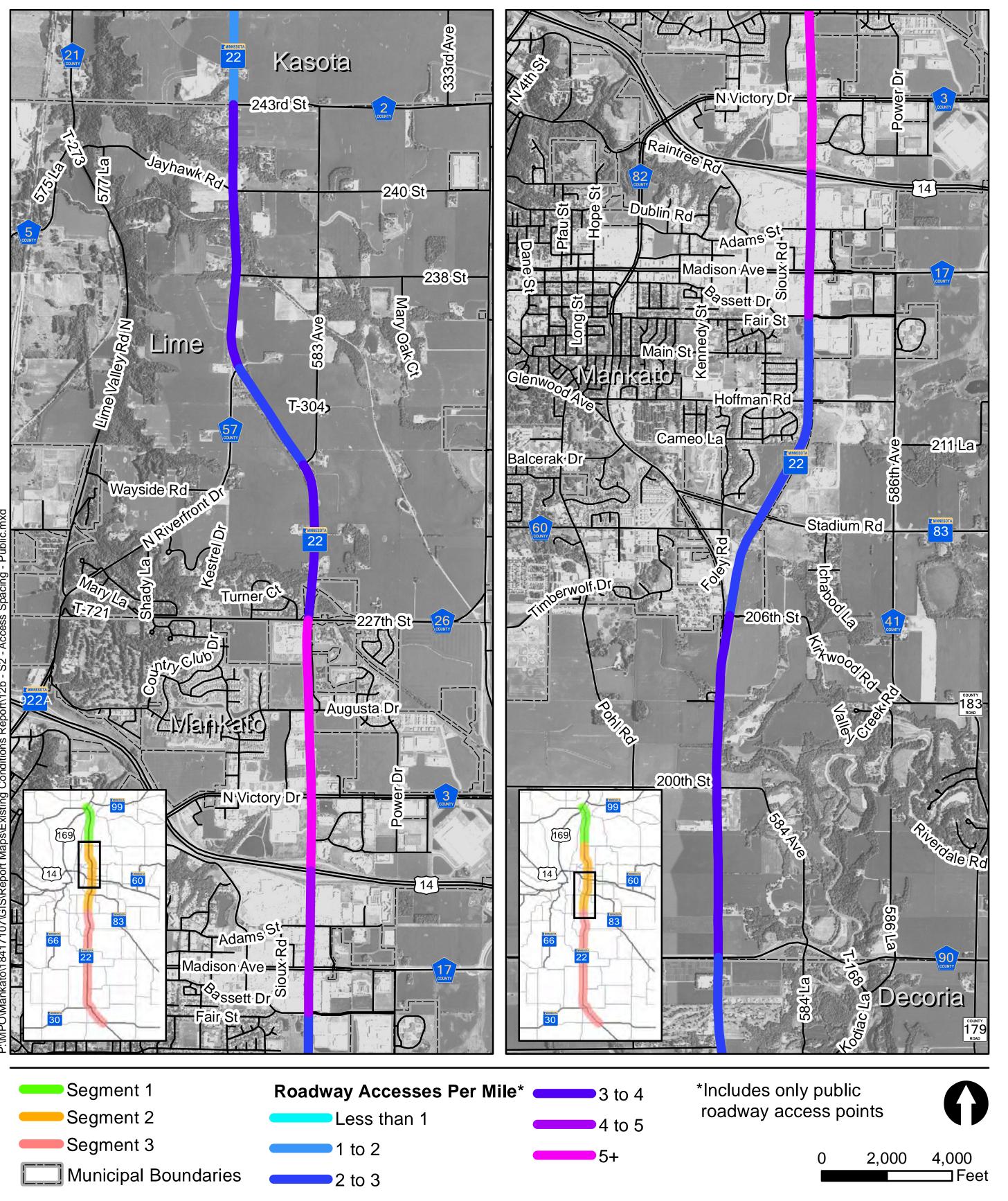


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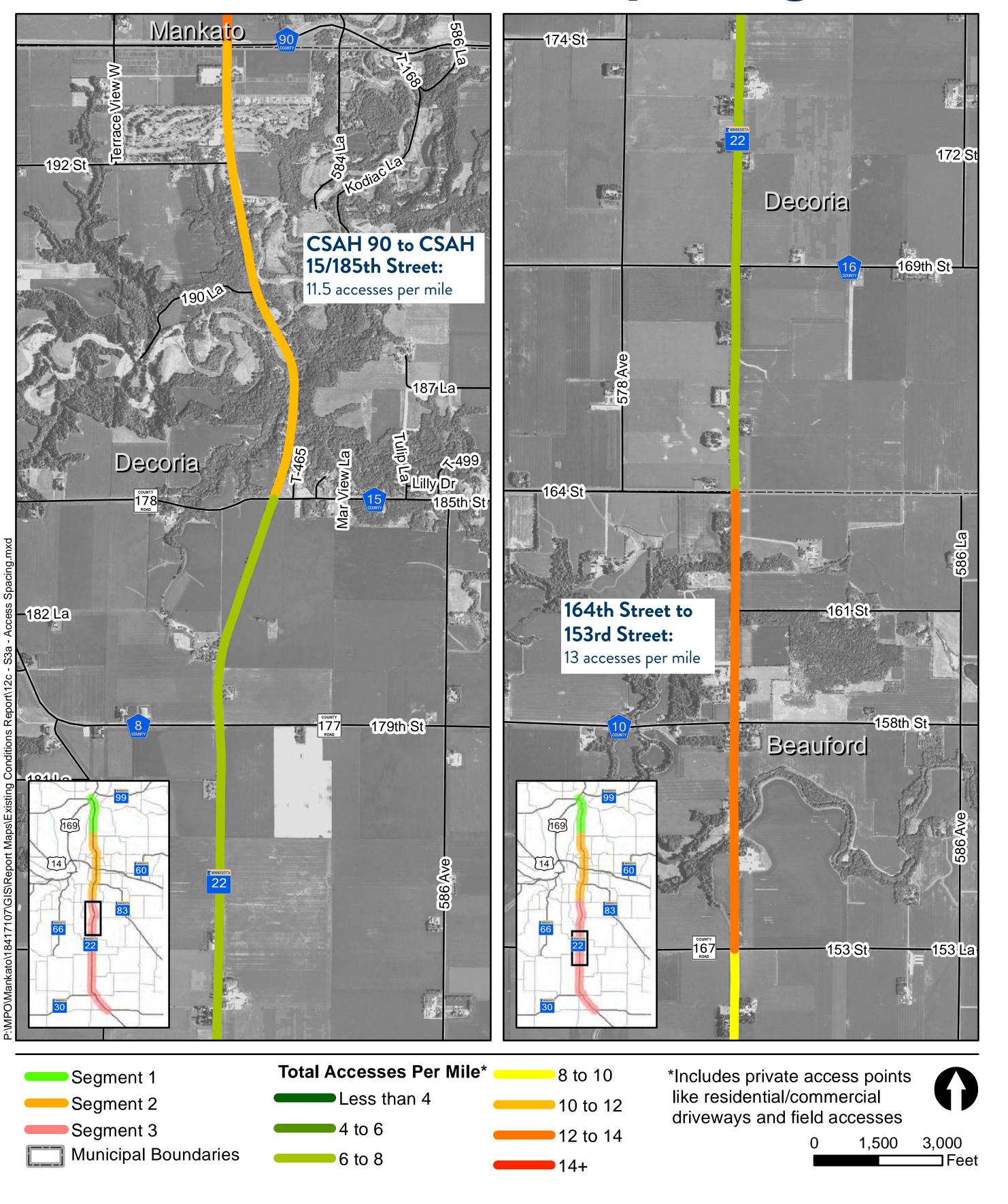


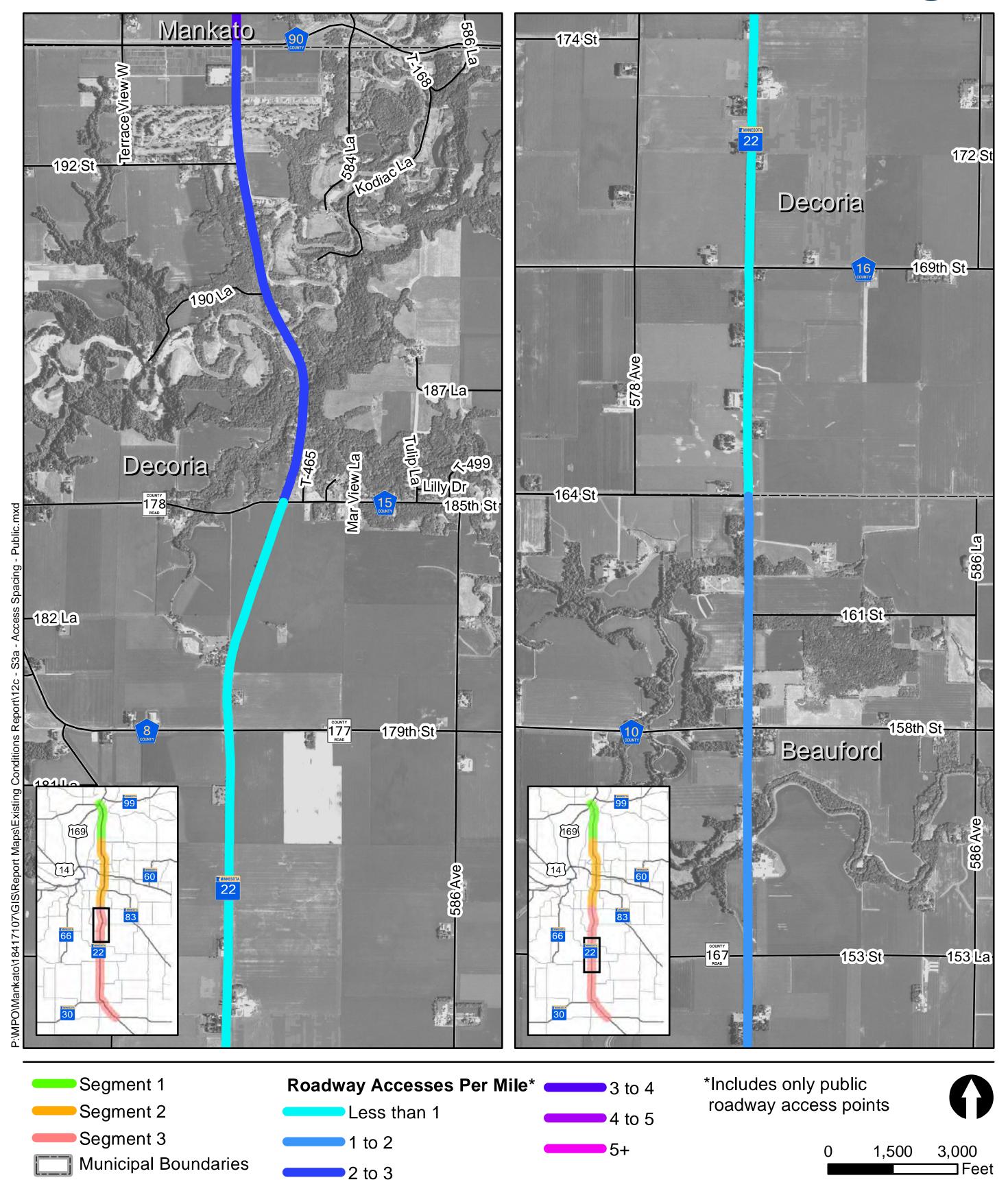
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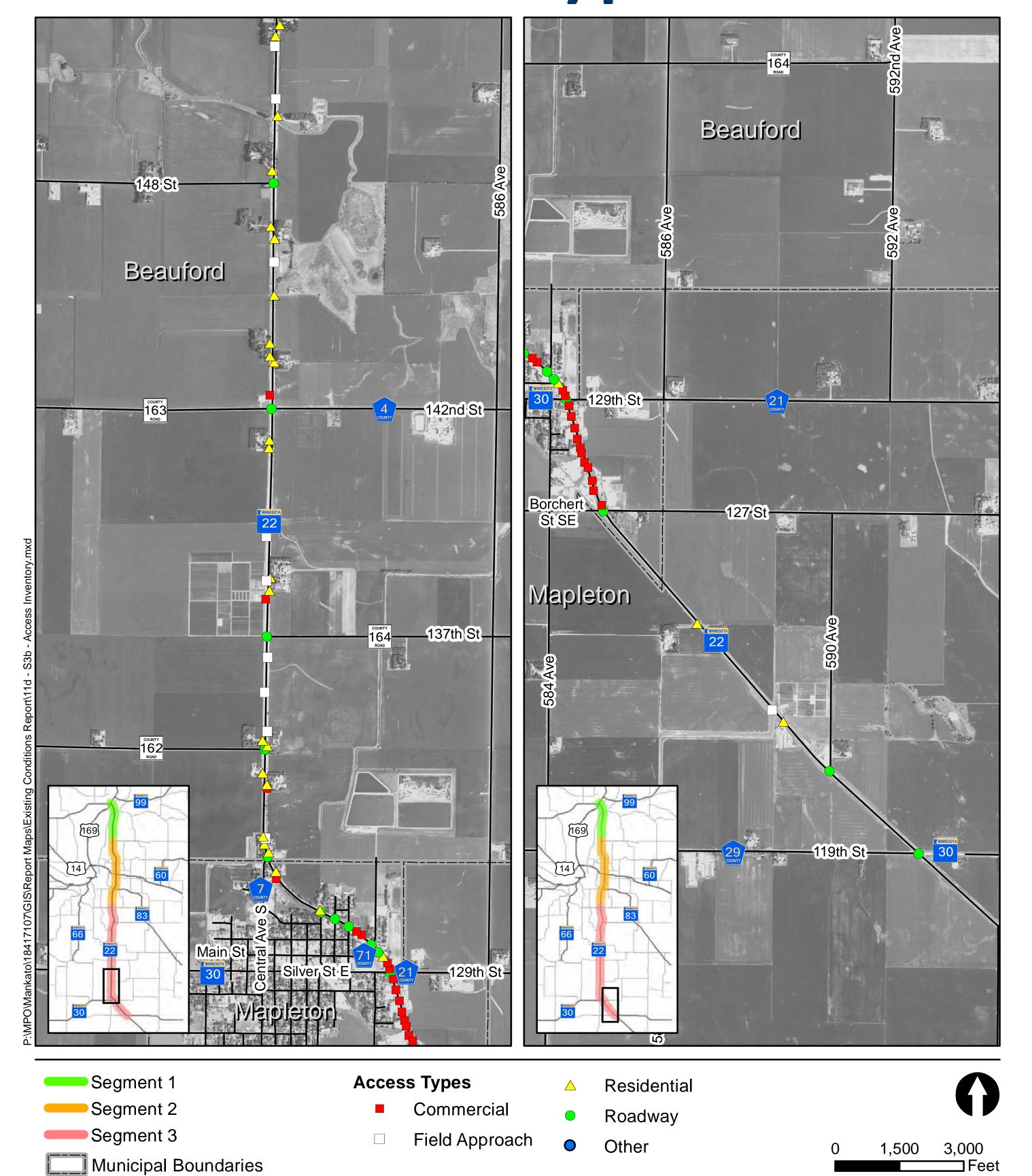




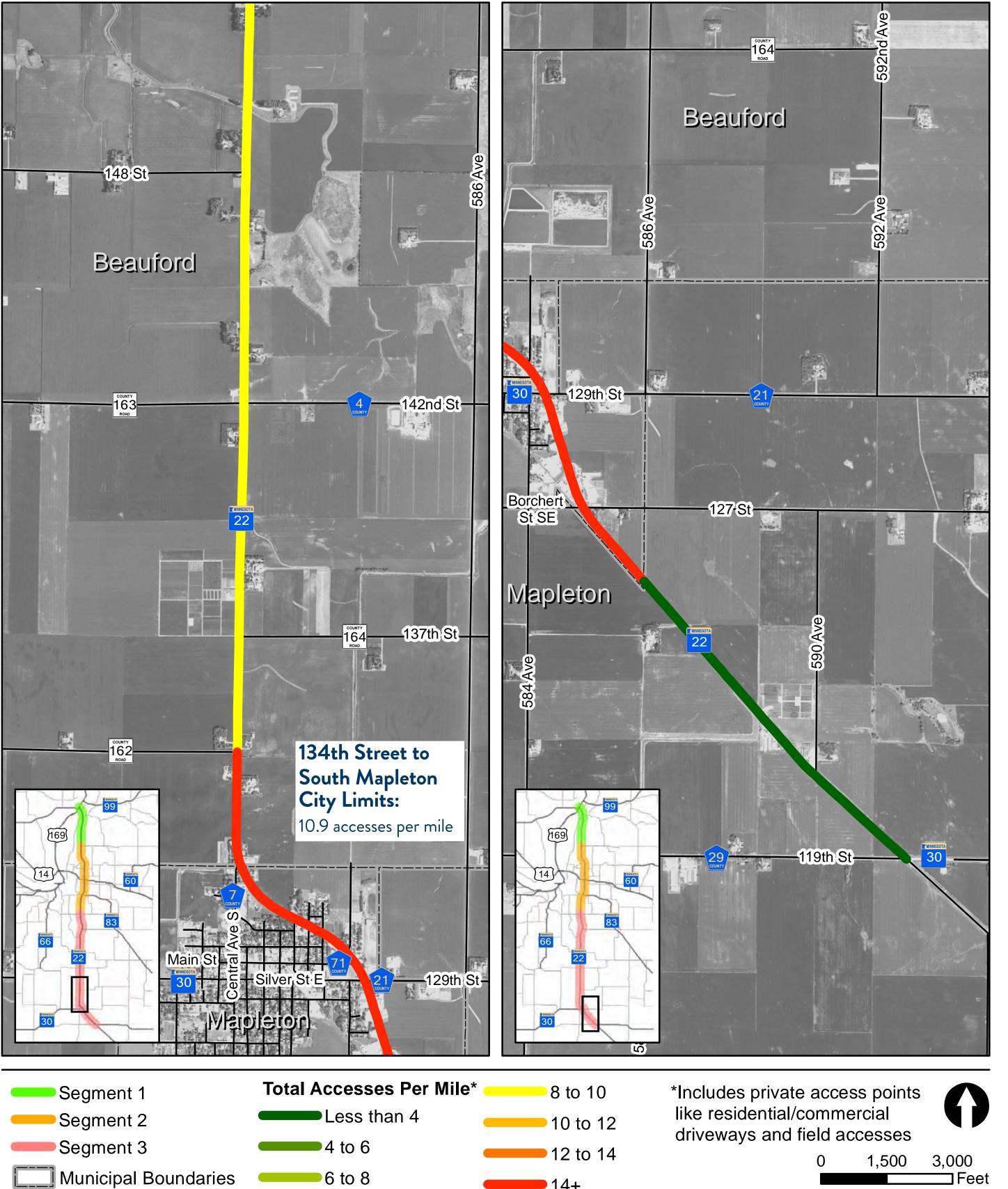


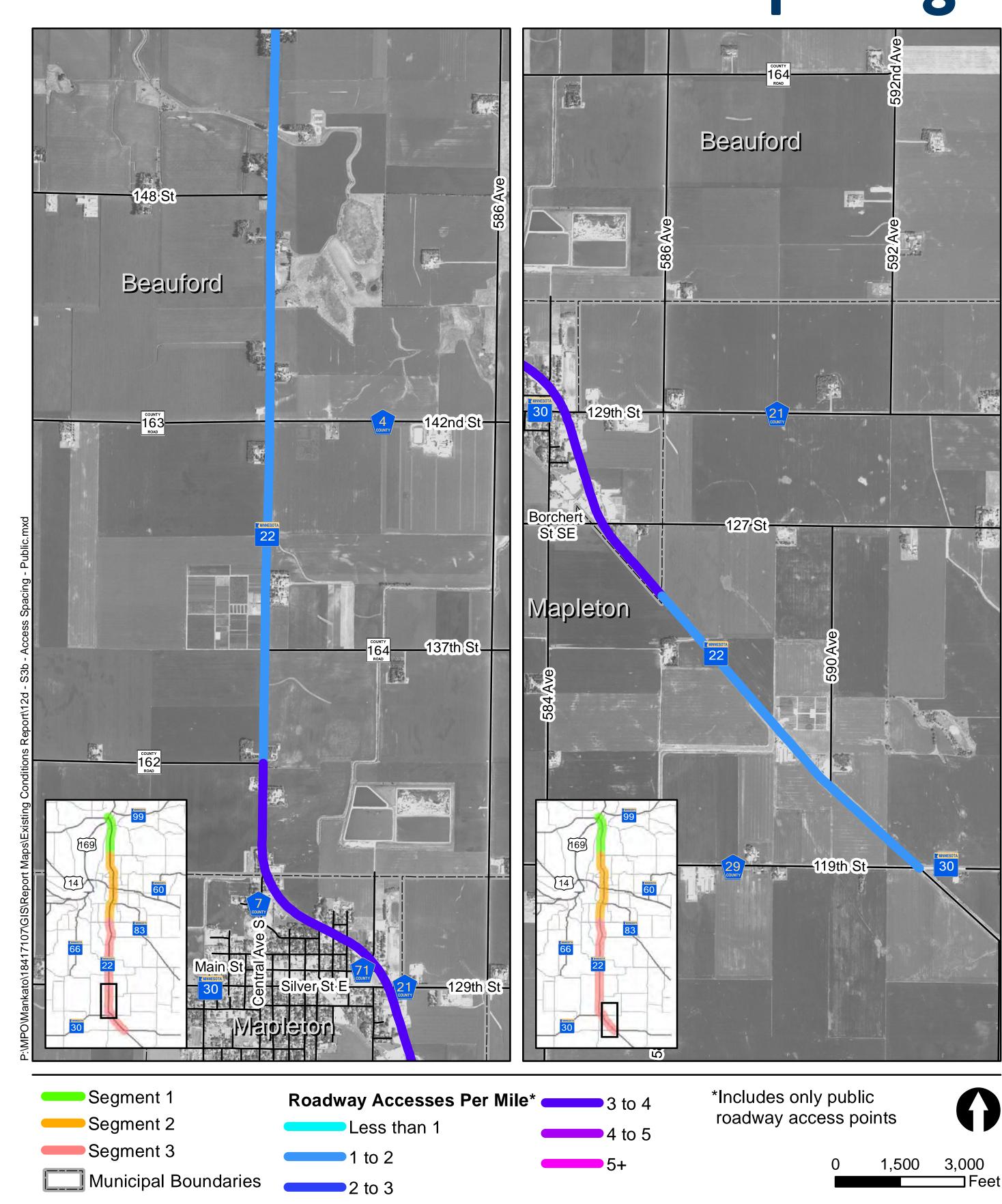
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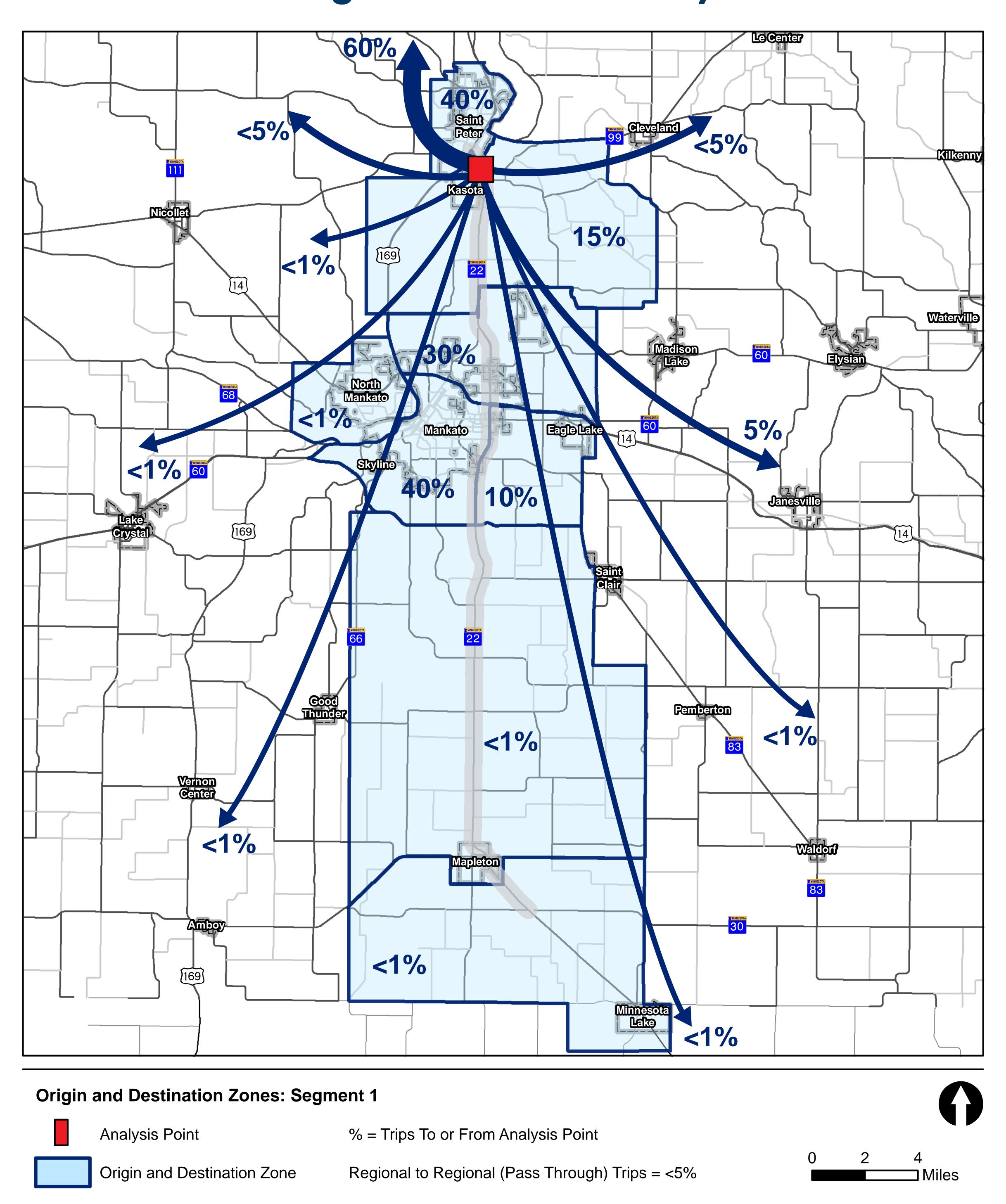








### Origin-Destination Analysis



### Key Highlights

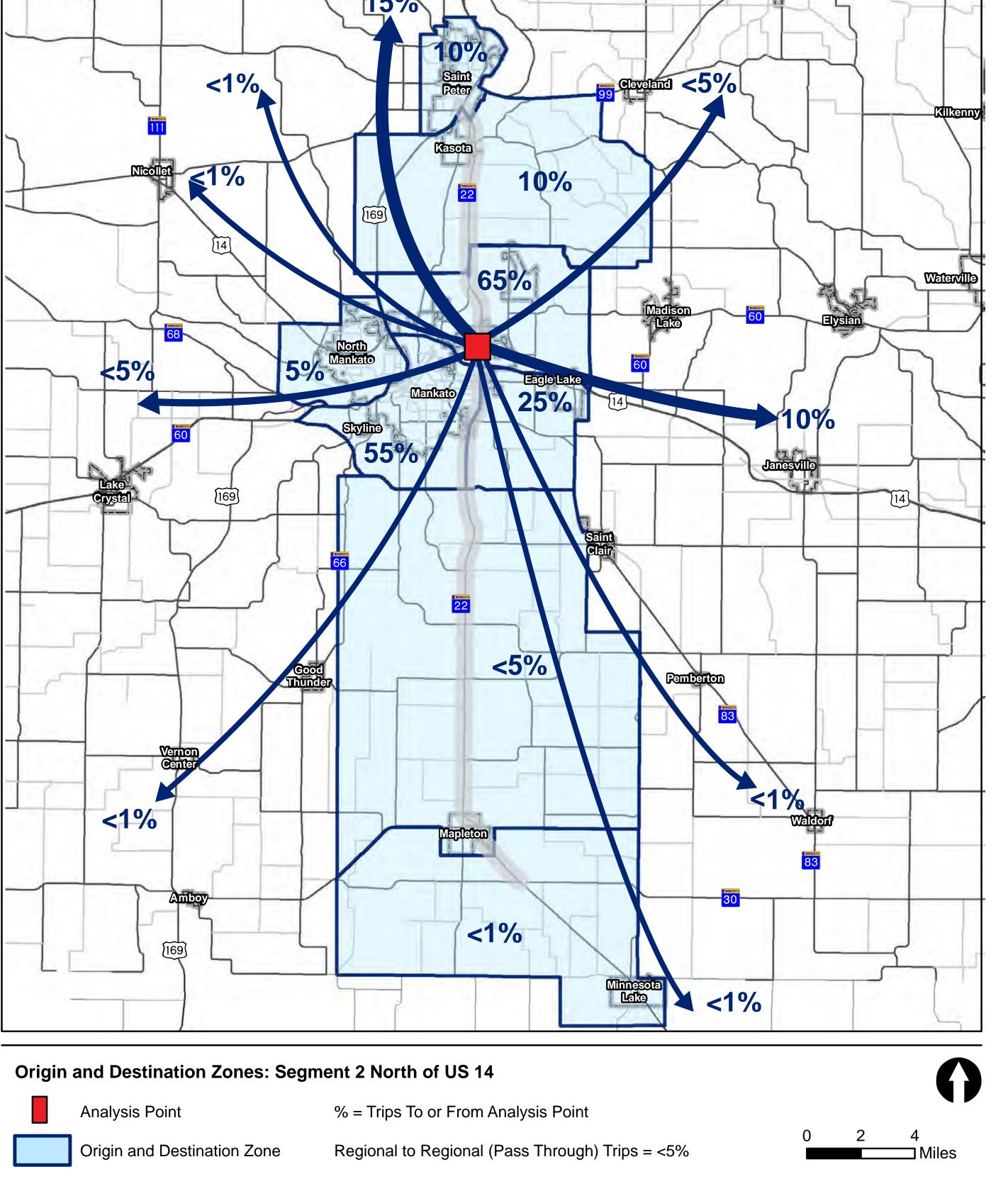
- Local to local travel makes up the highest percentage of trips.
- Travel patterns remain the same on the weekend vs weekday.
- High percentage of commuter and recreational travel between Mankato. and St. Peter.
- Pass through travel accounts for less than 5% of all trips.



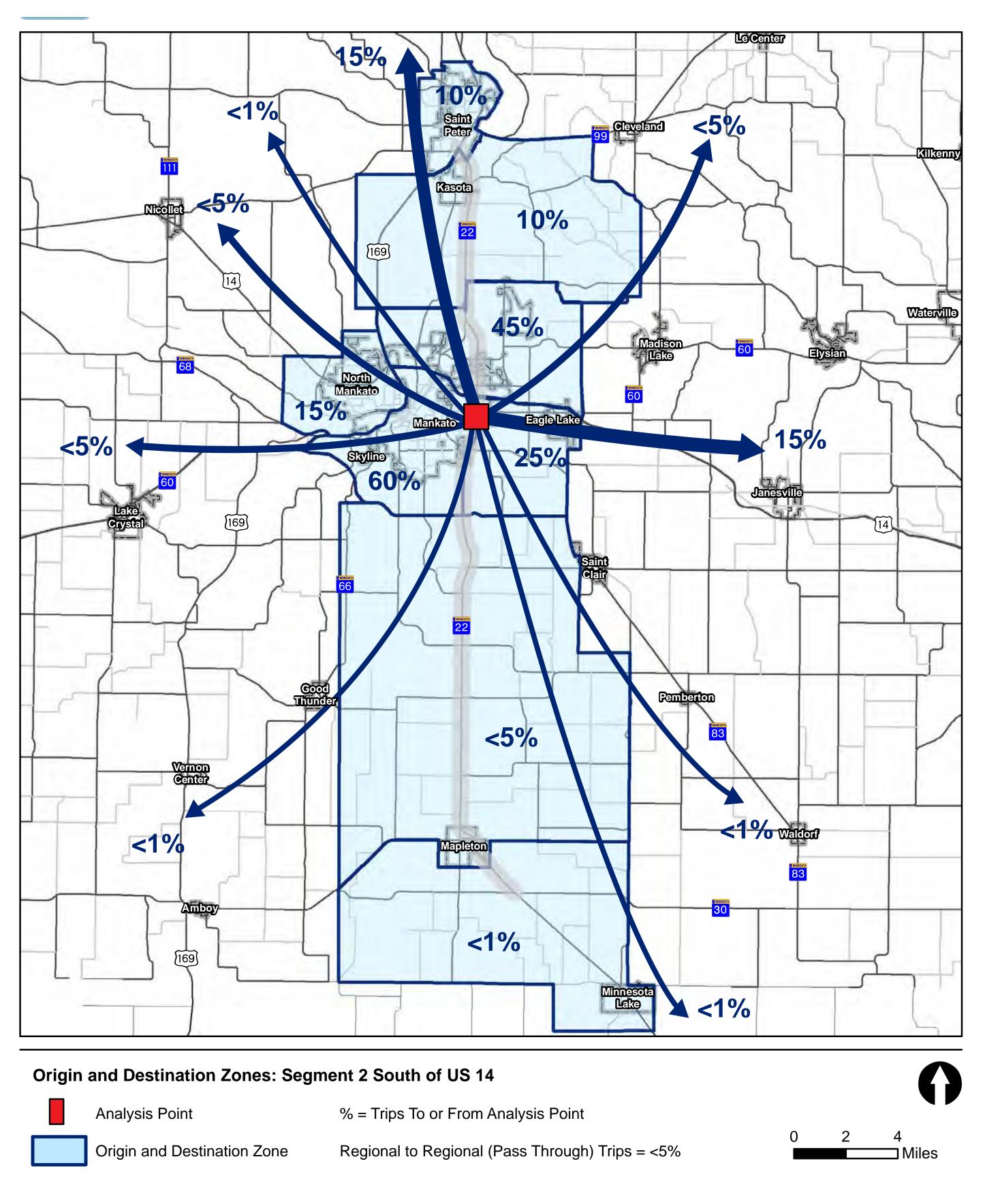




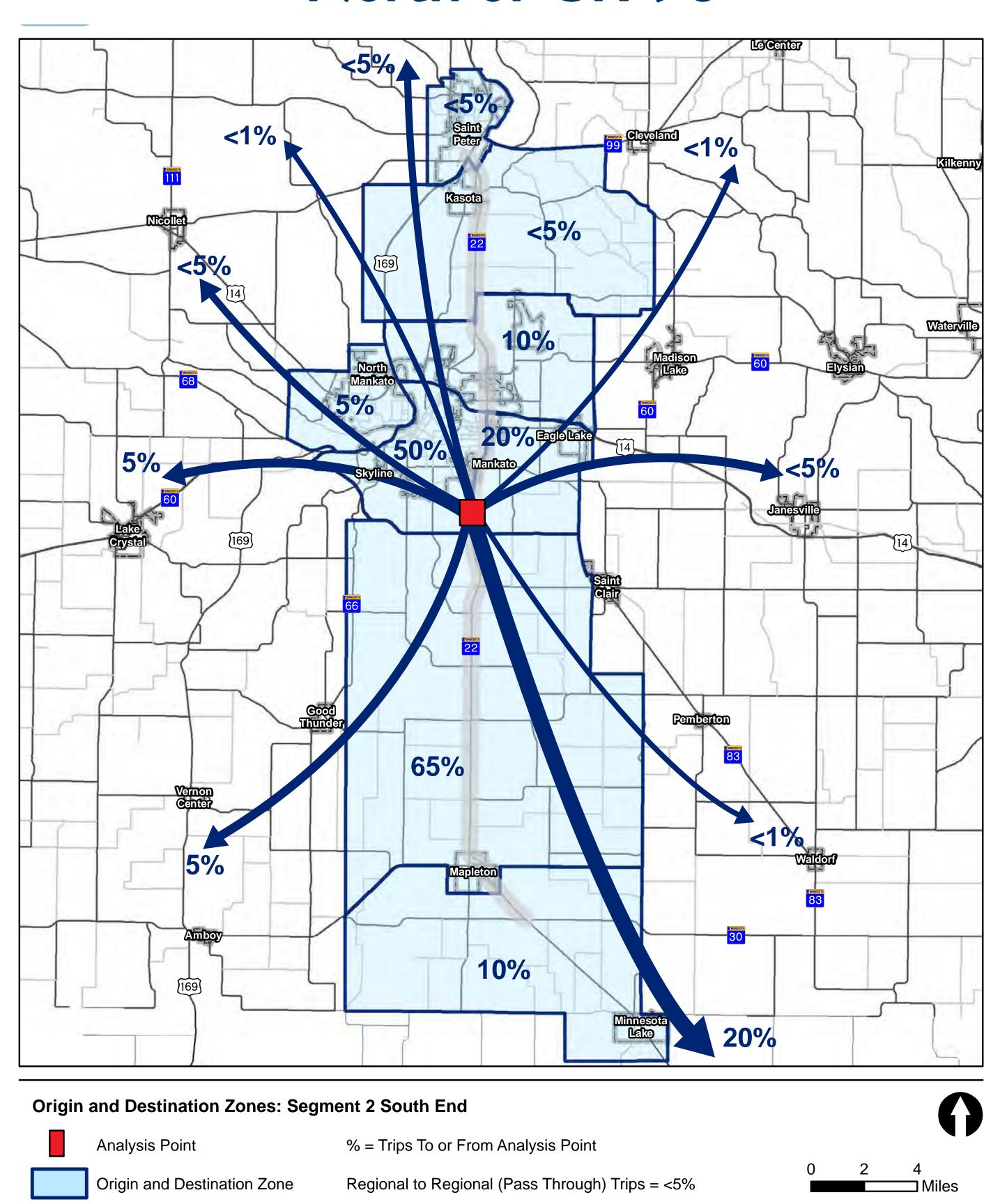
## Origin-Destination Analysis North of US 14



## Origin-Destination Analysis South of US 14



## Origin-Destination Analysis North of CR 90



### Key Highlights

- Local to local travel makes up the highest percentage of trips.
- Travel patterns remain the same on the weekend vs weekday.
- High percentage of travel to Mankato from the south.
- In general, high percentage of commercial vehicles travel to Mankato via US 14.
- Pass through travel accounts for less than 5% of all trips.

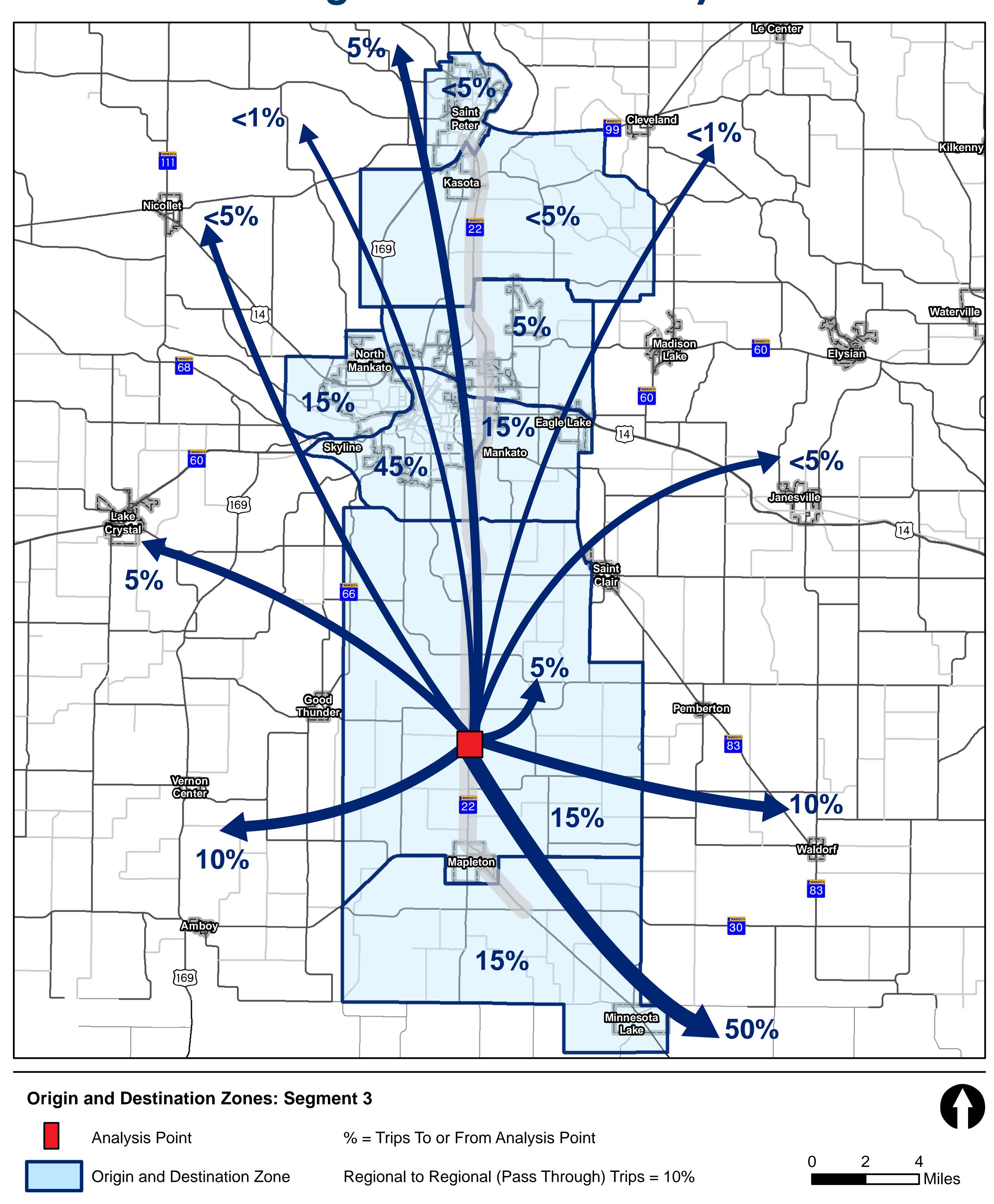
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### Origin-Destination Analysis



### Key Highlights

- Local to local travel makes up the highest percentage of trips to/from the north.
- Travel patterns remain the same on the weekend vs weekday.
- High percentage of travel to Mankato from the south.
- Pass through travel accounts for approximately 10% of all trips.

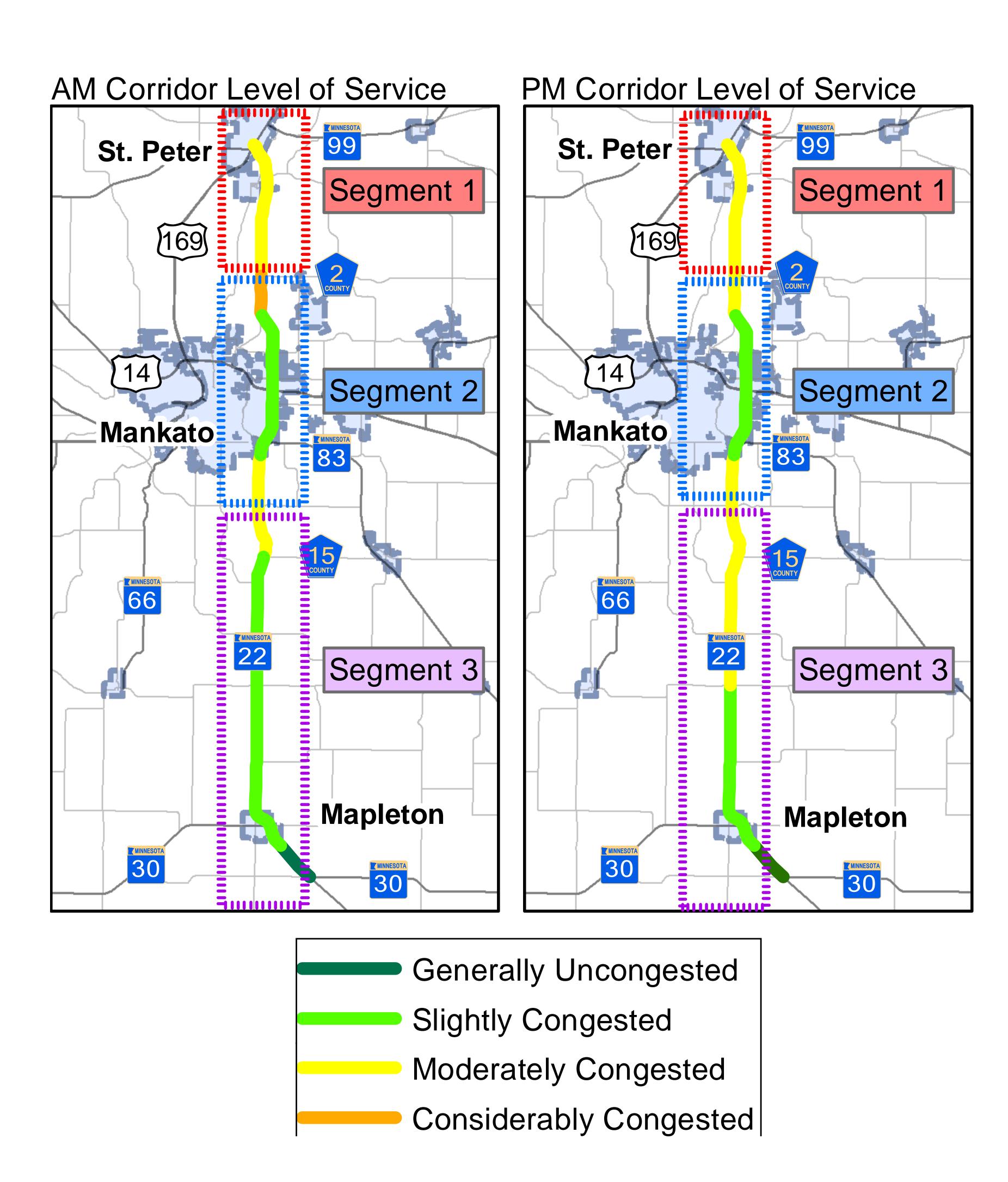


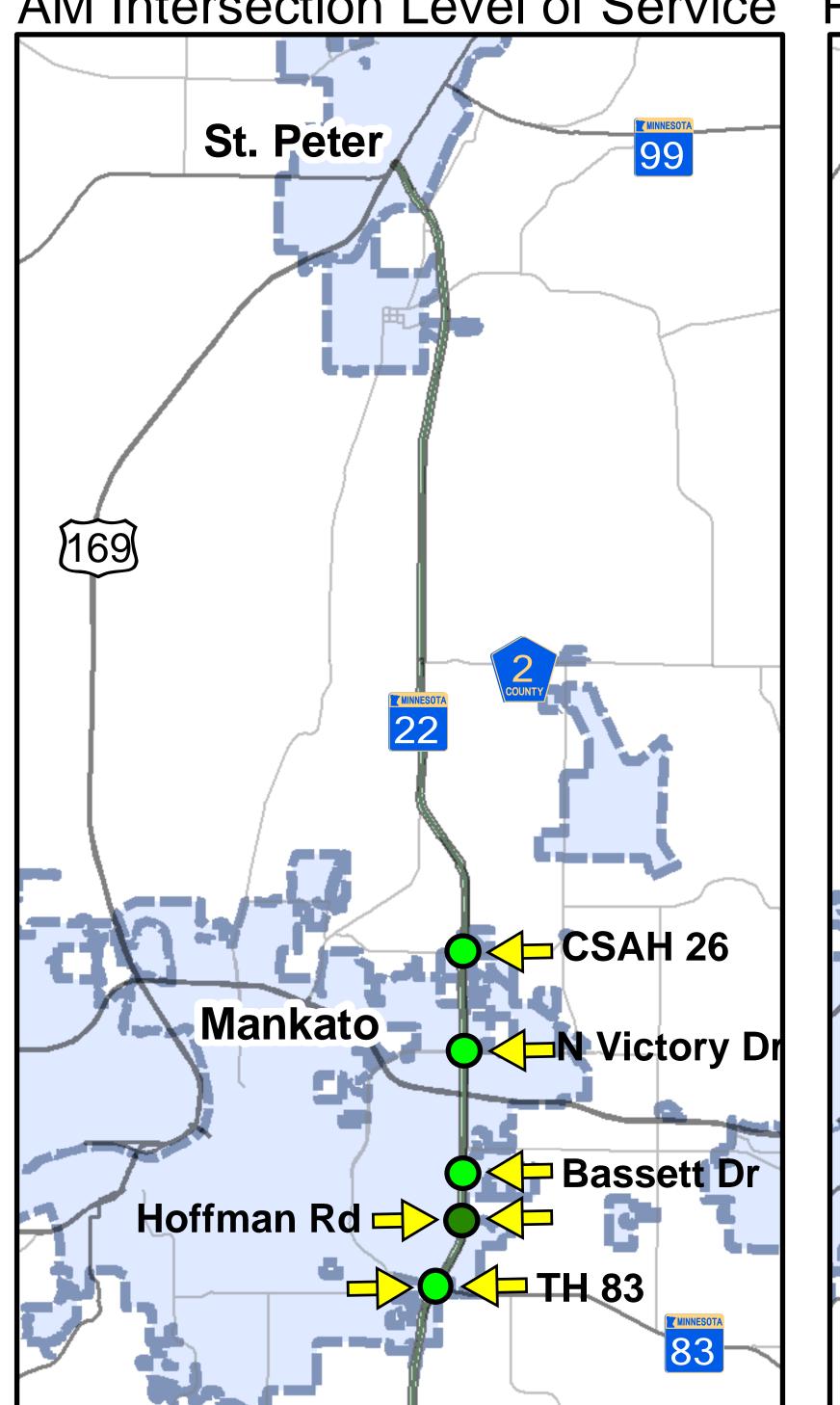


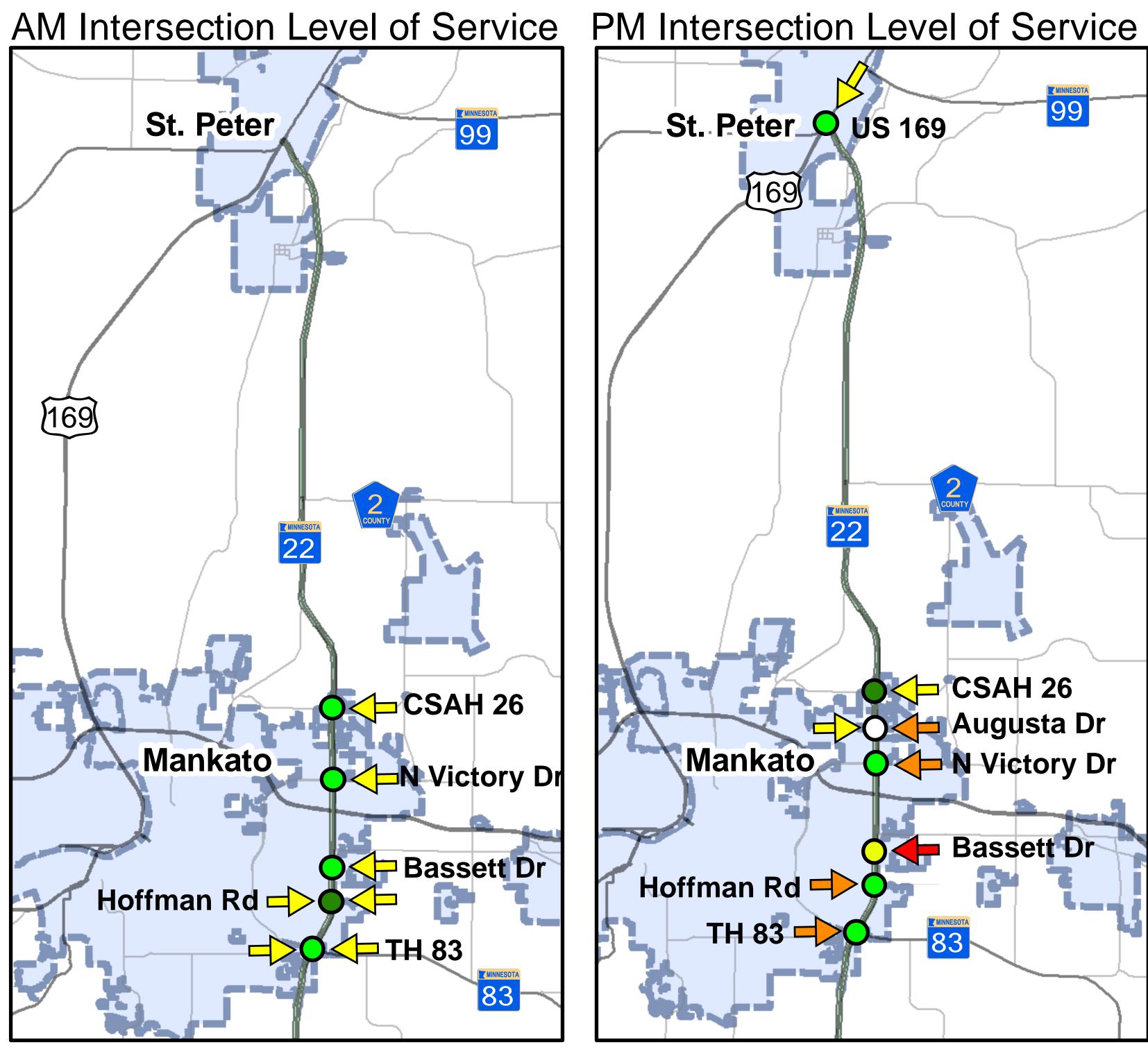


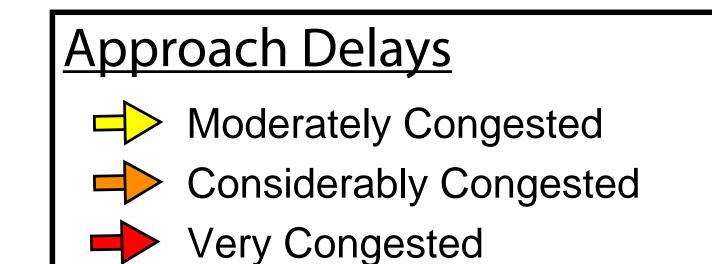
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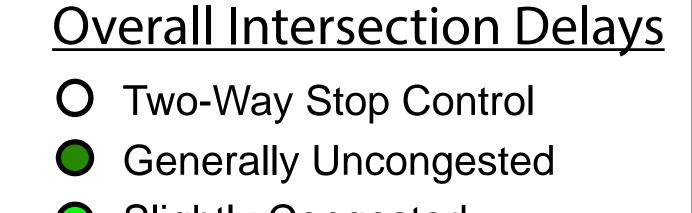
- Moderate congestion during peak hours.
- Moderate congestion for southbound left turns at US 169 intersection.









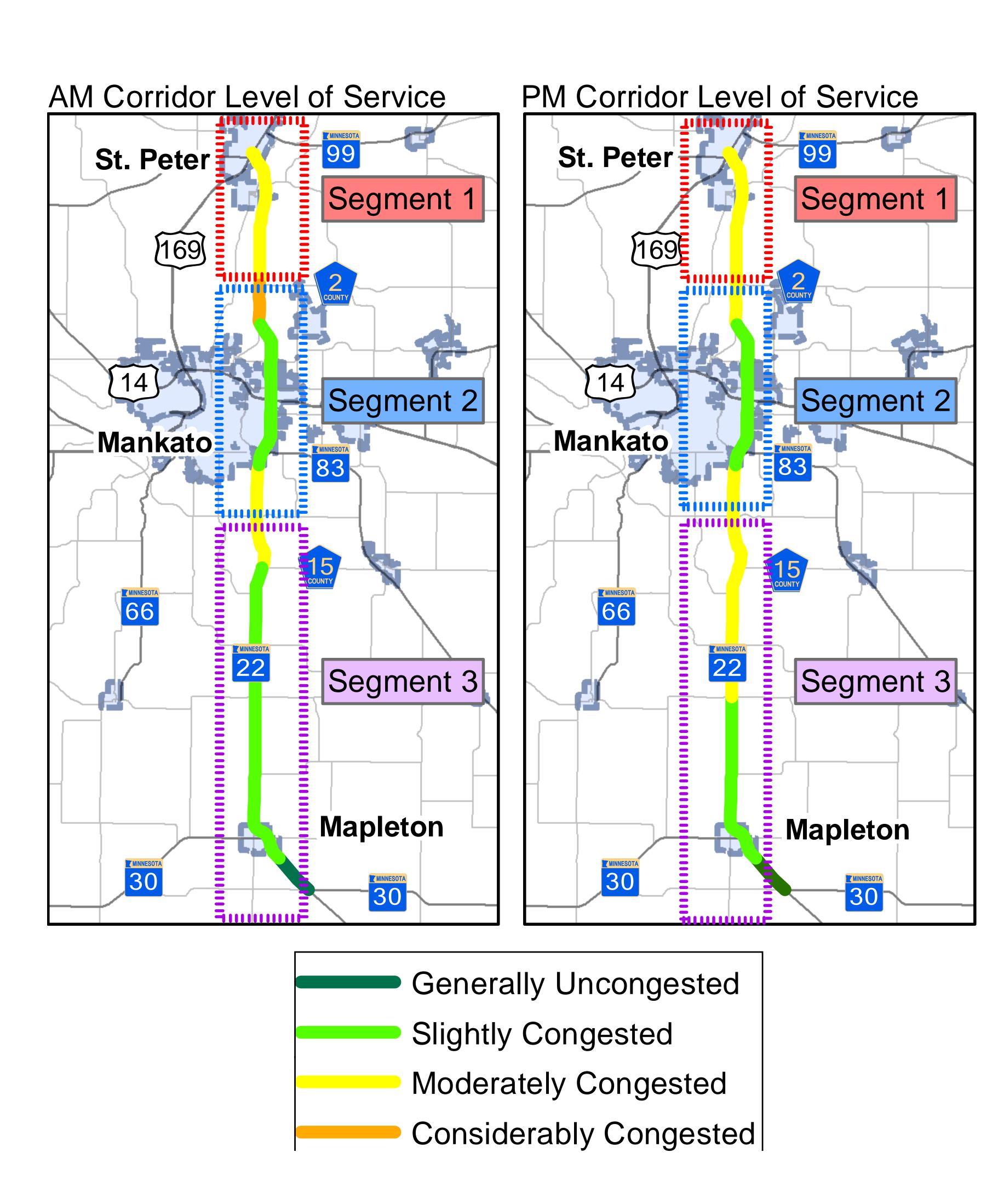


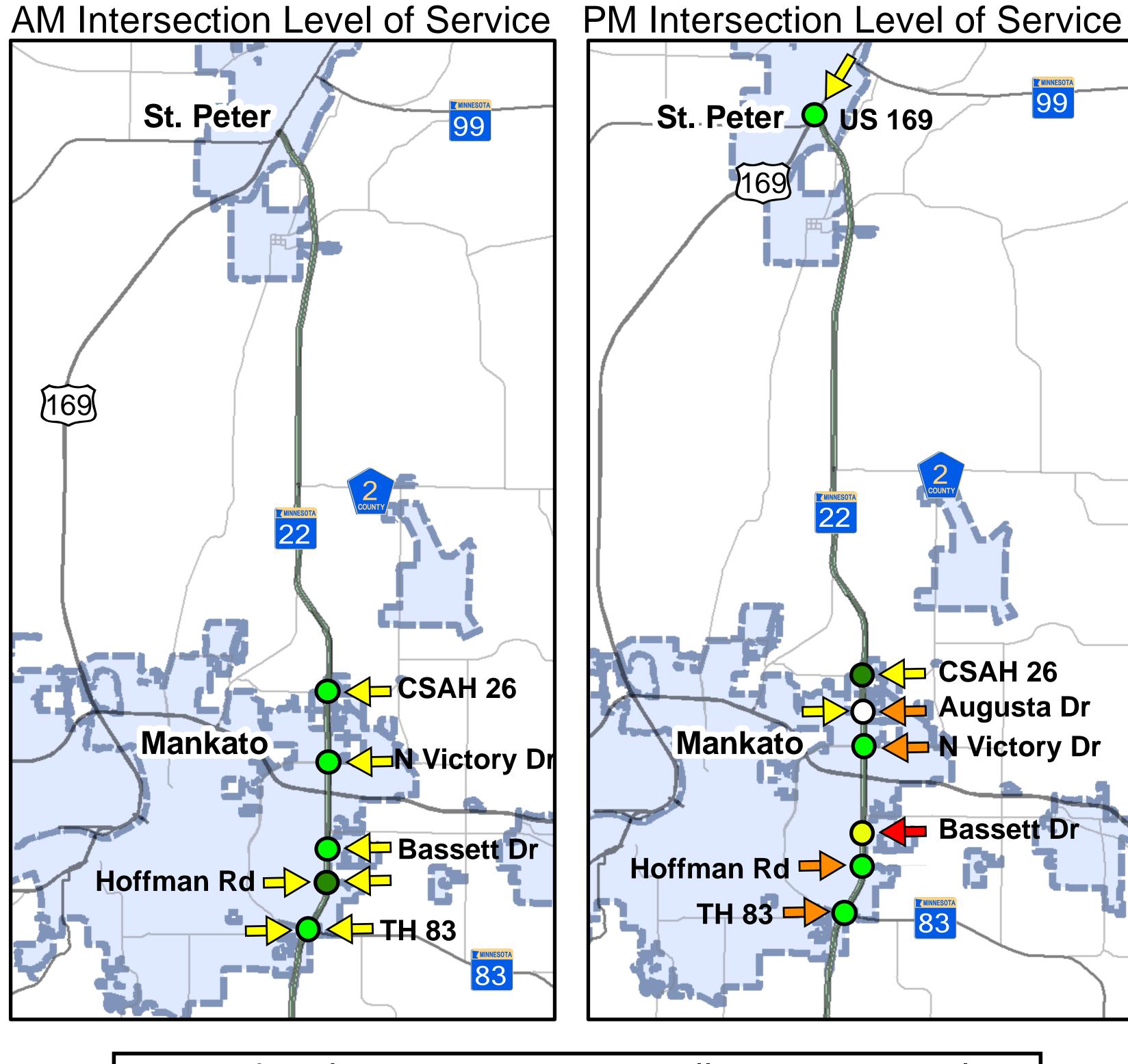
Slightly Congested Moderately Congested

### Key Highlights

- Considerable

   congestion north of
   Mankato city limits.
- Moderate congestion in southern portion of segment 2.
- Moderate to very congested for side street approaches along corridor.



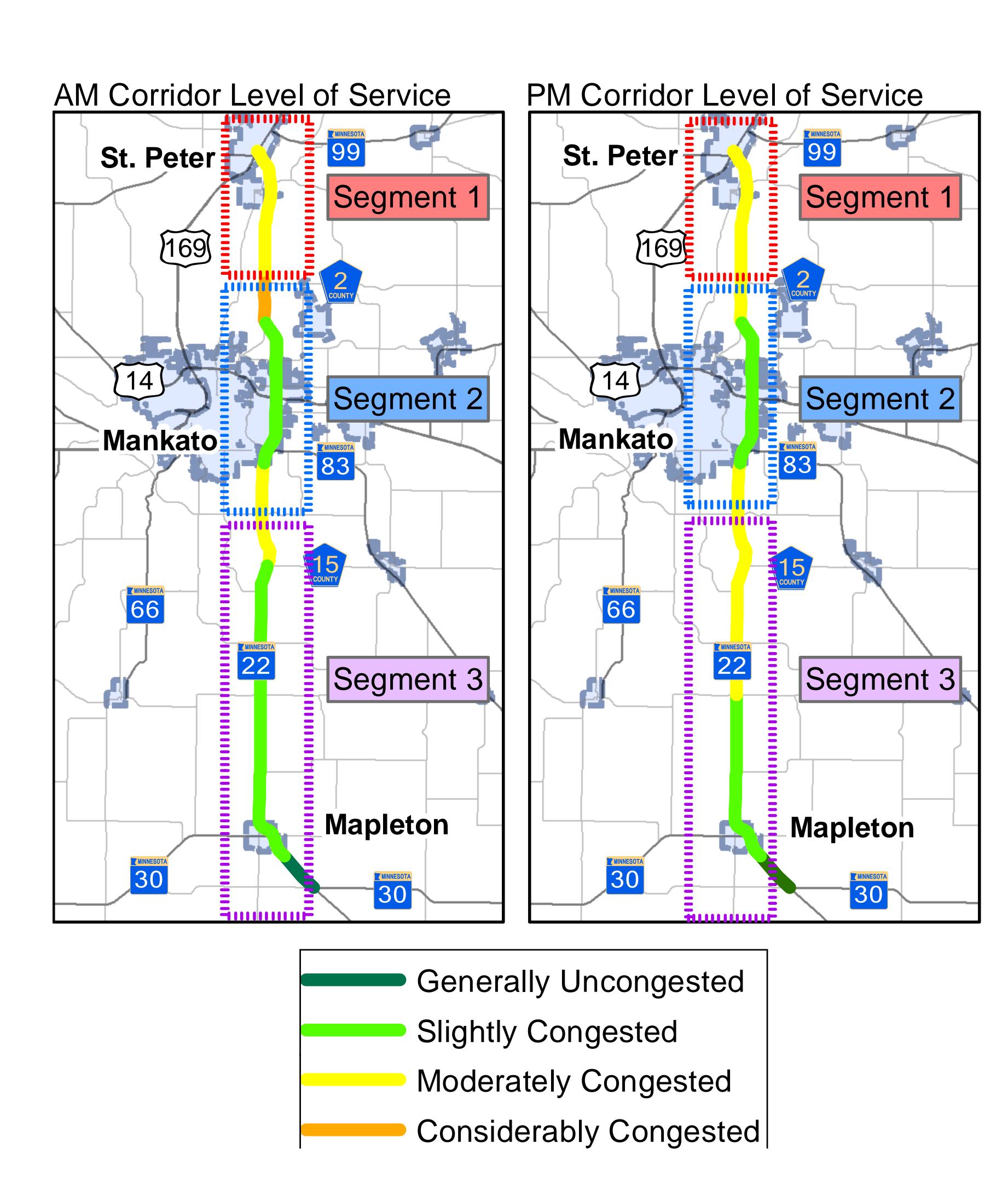


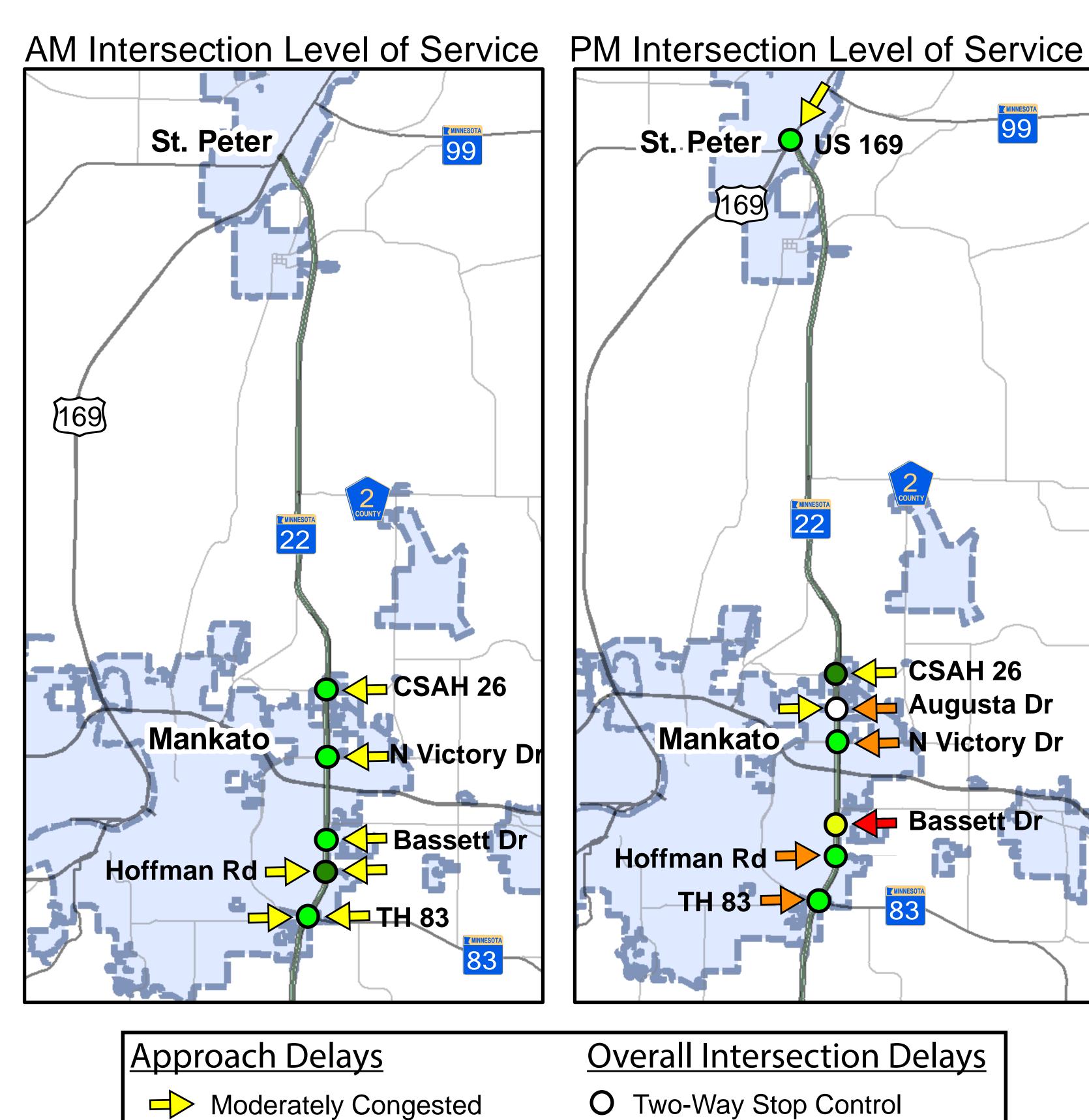




### Key Highlights

 Moderate congestion in northern portion of Segment 3 during peak hours.





Considerably Congested

Very Congested



Generally Uncongested

Moderately Congested

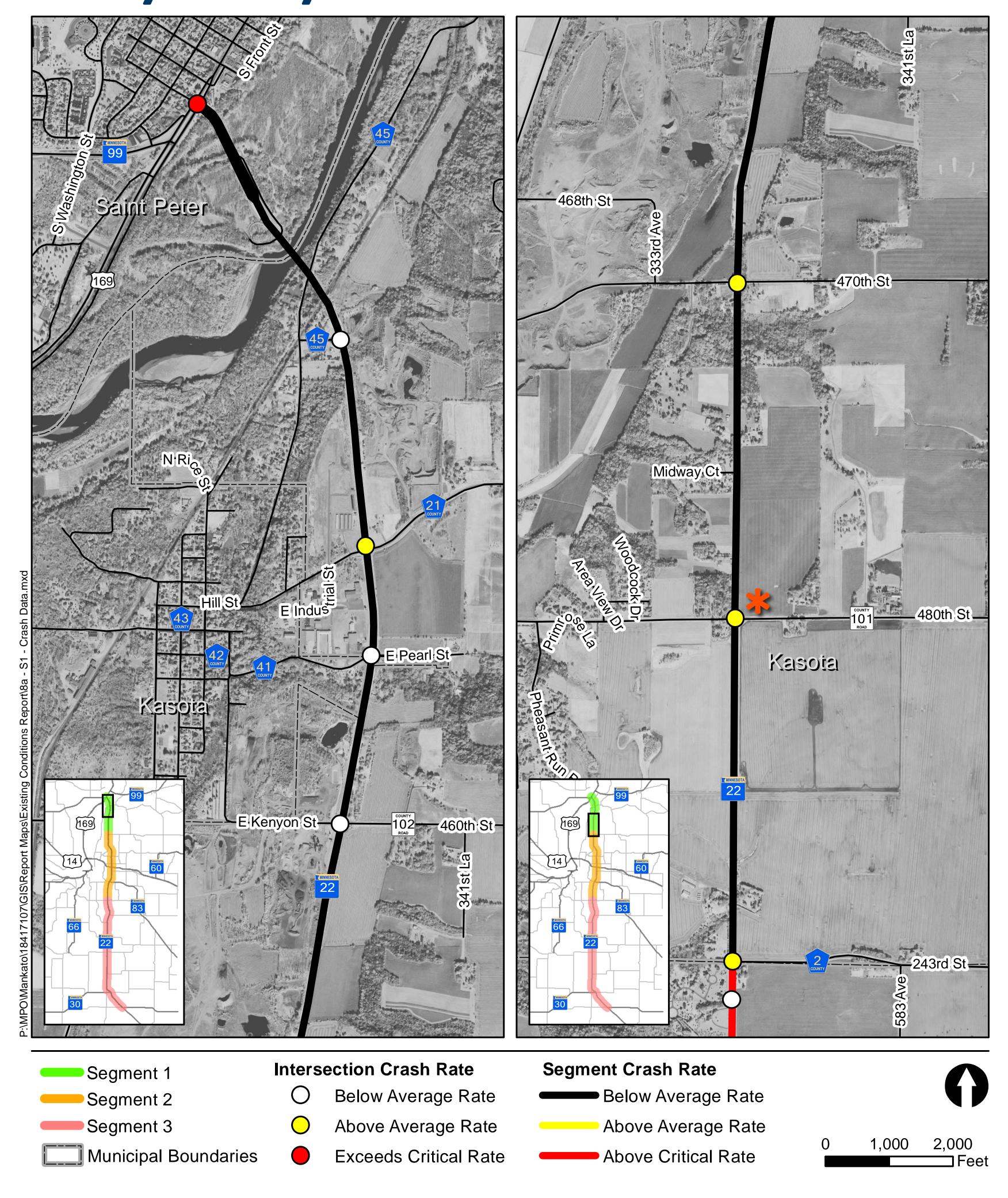
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### Intersections with Safety Concerns

- US 169
- County Road 21
- 470th Street
- County Road 101\*
- County Road 2

\*Note: Crash data is from 2011-2015 and may not fully reflect crash pattern changes from recent turn lane improvements at this intersection.

### Safety Analysis







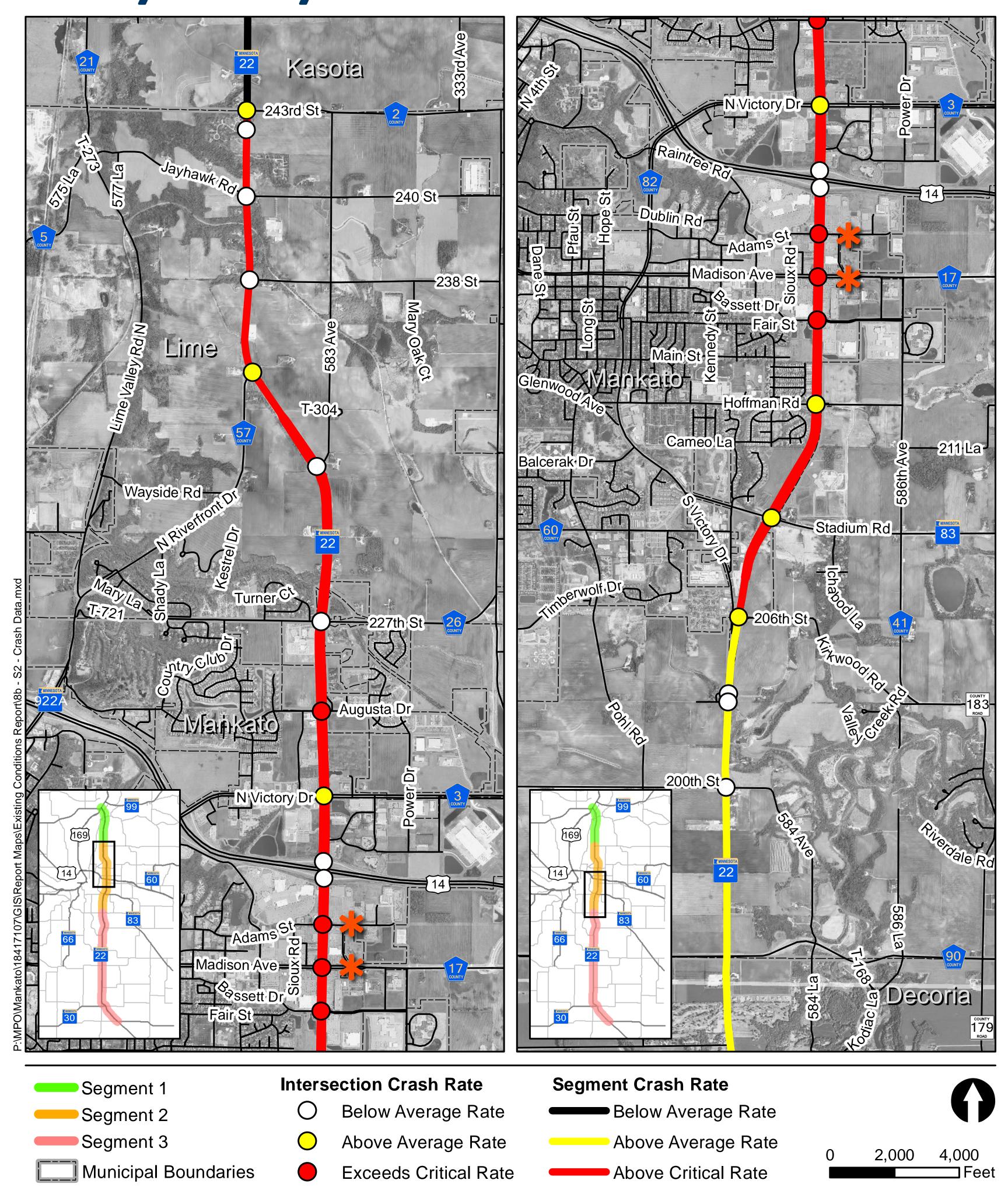
### Intersections with Safety Concerns

- Augusta Drive
- Bassett Drive
- County Road 2
- County Road 57/North Riverfront Drive
- Hoffman Road
- County Road 82/Highway 83

### Segments with Safety Concerns

- County Road 2 to North Riverfront Drive
- North Riverfront Drive to South Victory Drive

### Safety Analysis







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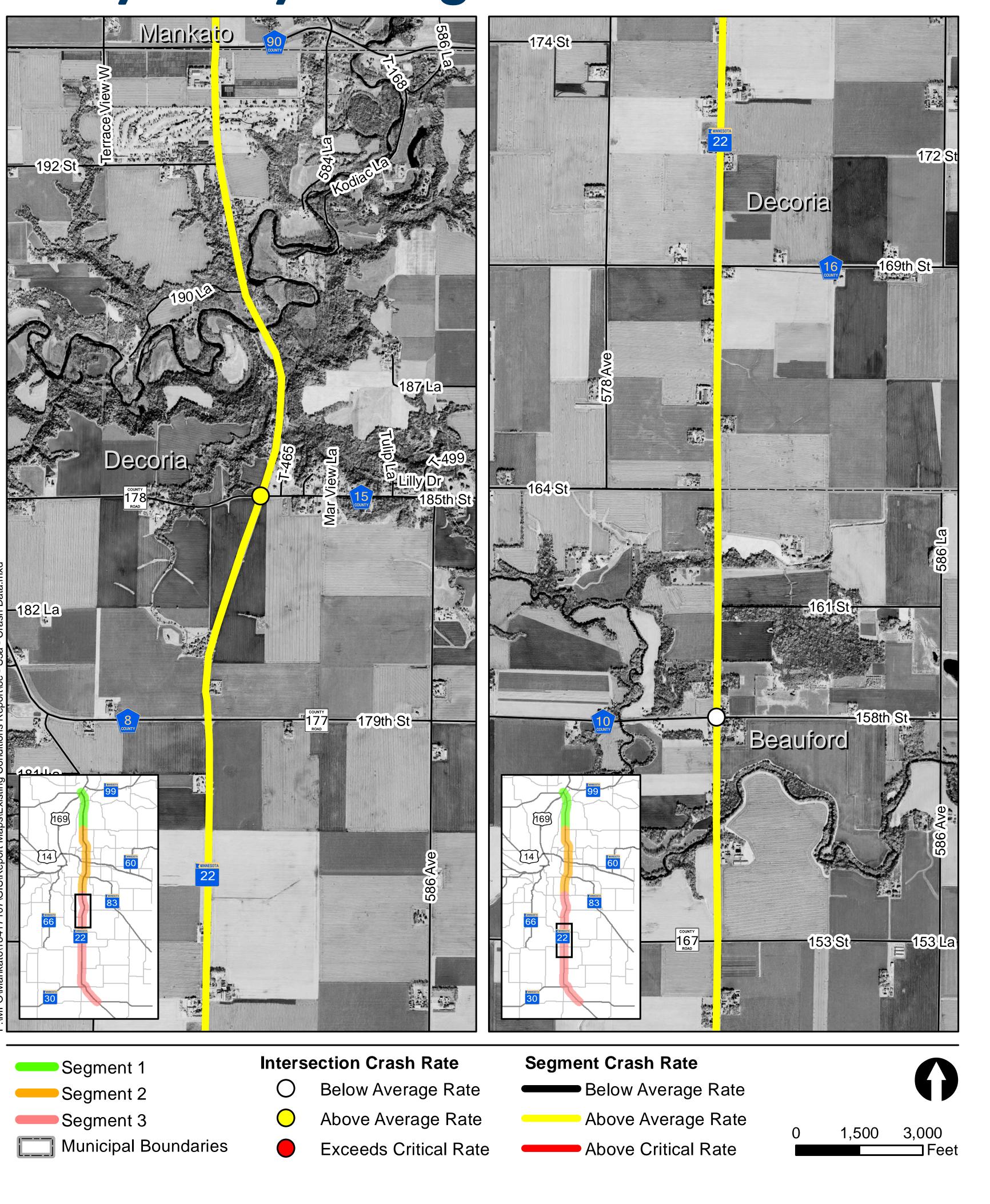
# Intersections with Safety Concerns

- County Road 15
- County Road 7
- County Road 29/ Highway 30

## Segments with Safety Concerns

 County Road 90 to County Road 29/ Highway 30

## Safety Analysis Segment 3A



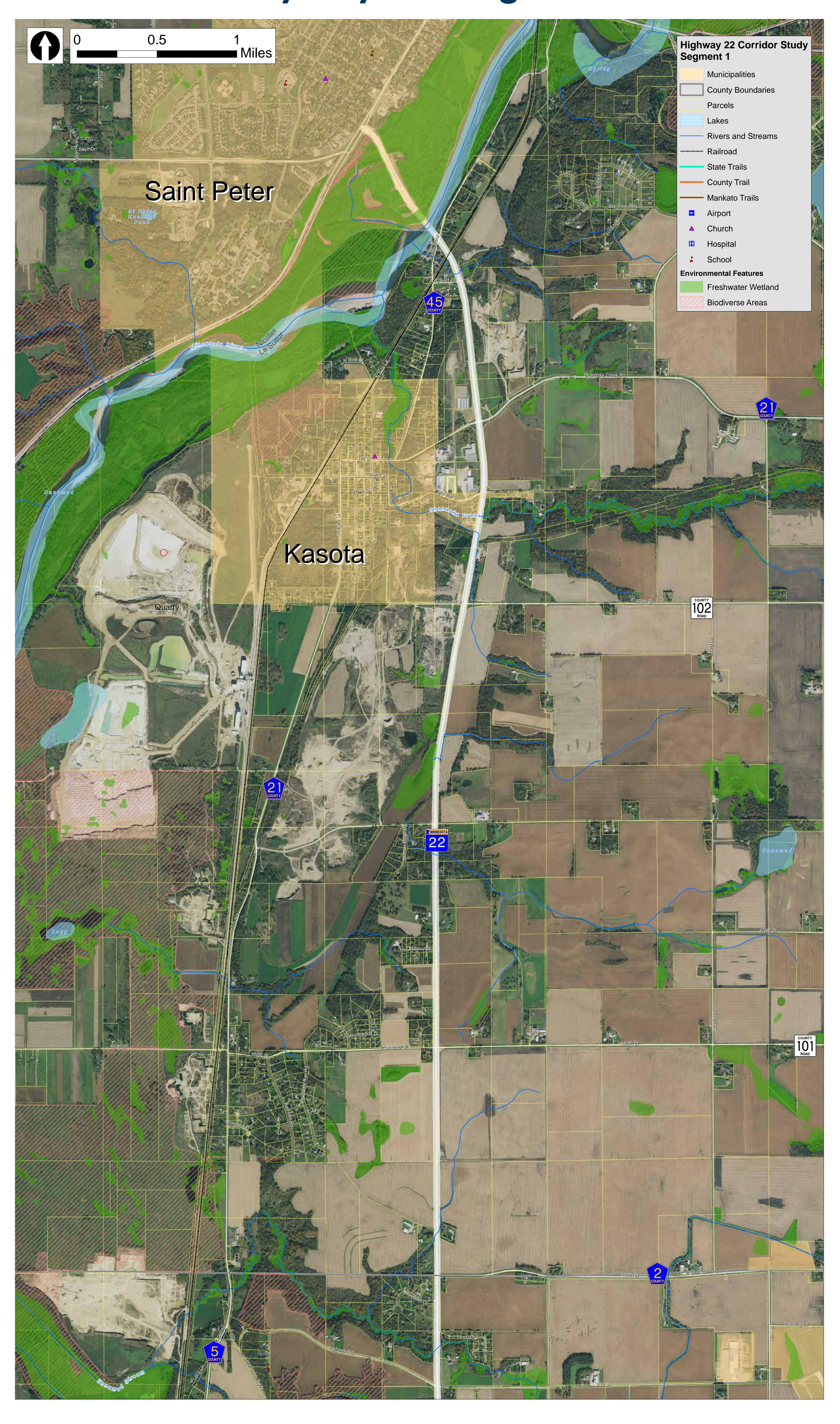
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## Segment 1

## Please Identify Any Existing Issues or Needs



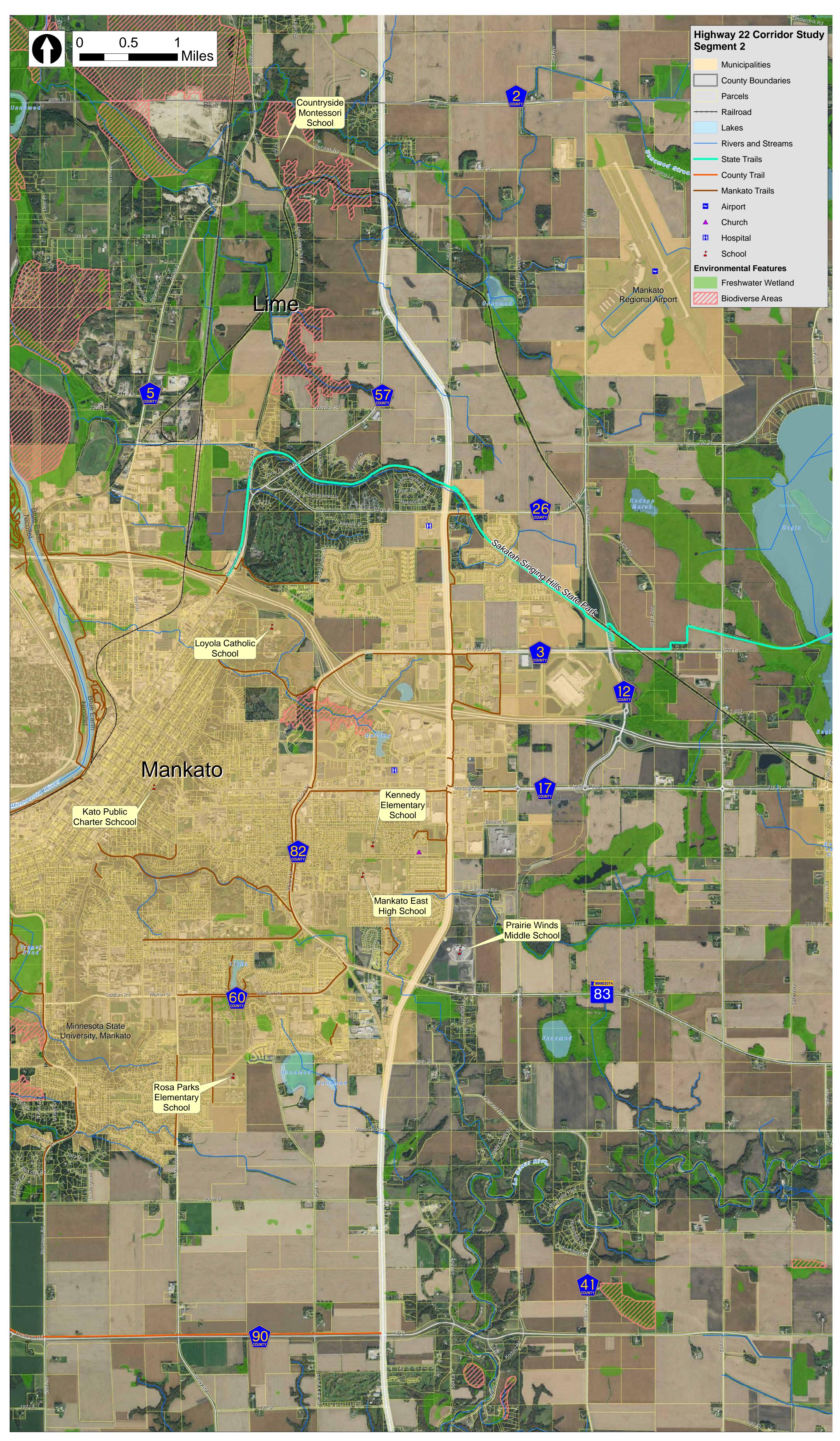






## Segment 2

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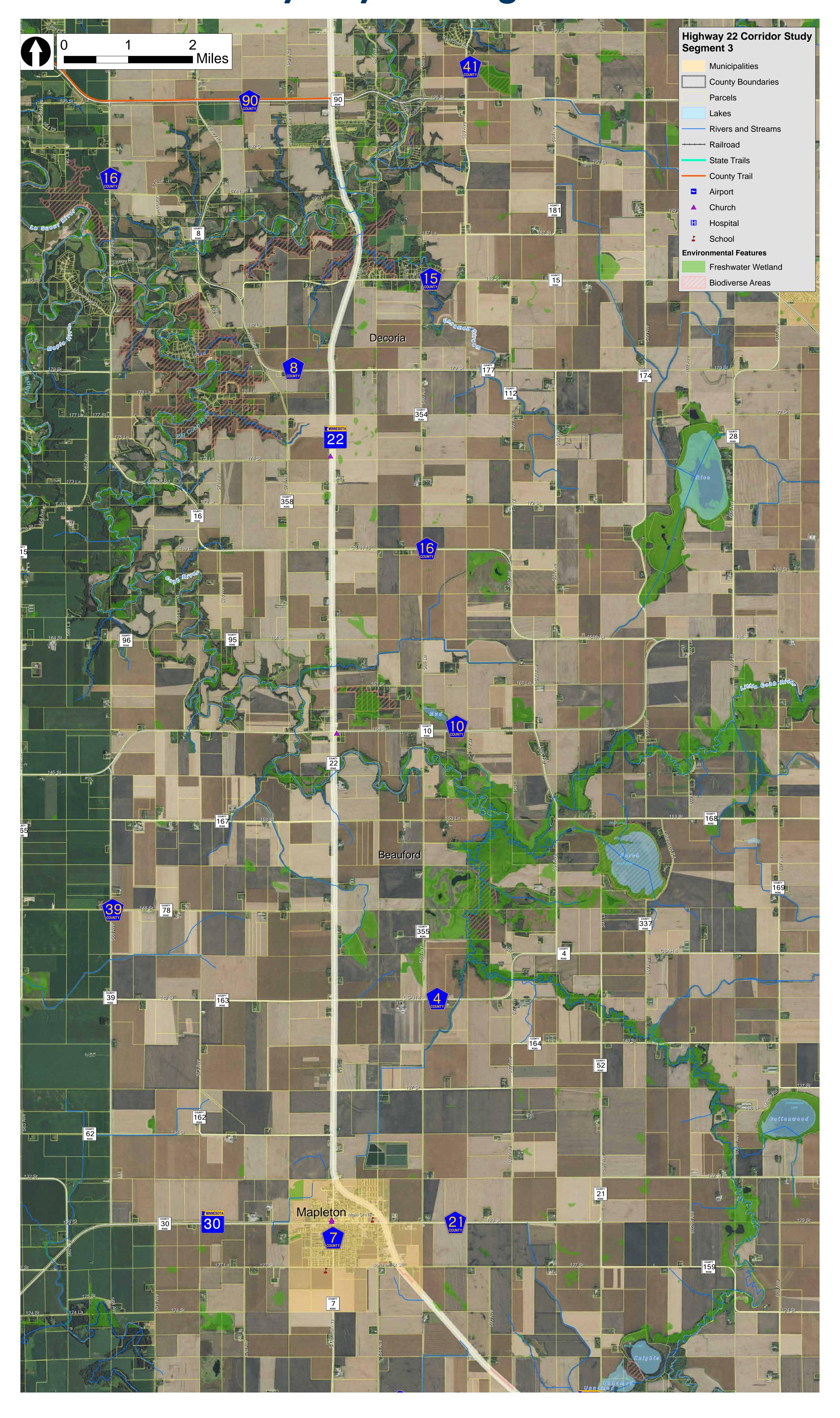






## Segment 3

## Please Identify Any Existing Issues or Needs











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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Kari Lozinski

Address: 113 KINGSmill Coult

Email/Phone: Karilozinski @hitmail.com

Comments:

Stoplight or knindapart is needed at augusta 3 22. I'm against a f-turn is it makes it difficult to get to Kinik Trip and when they had the temporary one these, I seem people Weare through to get to Knik Trip- Others just worked which is dangenous as well exessing traffic at 55 toph.



Public Open House - Thursday, January 18, 2018

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Wayne Rale Address:

Four large St. Peter to Minkate

NOTE: Deadline for mailed comments is Friday, February 2, 2018.

Email/Phone:

Public Open House - Thursday, January 18, 2018

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Name: Kenneth Johnson
Name: Kinneth Johnson  Address: 38901 State Huygg StPeter Mr. 56082
Email/Phone: KKjohnson phegmail com
Comments: Can place trails are made in Hay Right carry allow the Hay De
Email/Phone: KKjohnson phegma: 1 com  Comments: Cary May trails are made in Huy Right early allow Multi use walk My House St. of  Align as much of Minnesota River Trail with Huy DI  as possible because other Rotes are not Multiuse
accessable under Mr. Statute 85.015. look out Using
Frontage Reads Near horsing development to help align
State trail in More Scenic and safer Roctes than being
Close to Hwy and to aleaviate traffic entering and NOTE: Deadline for mailed comments is Friday, February 2, 2018.  exiting they do se peak use tomes. Any place a bridge
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is installed or upraded Make Multi use access under
Statute 85015 on Bridge on or both sides for
fiture use and for crossing by transitions
traffic that is using ditches as allowed by law,

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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Lanneth J Schnson Address: 38901 Steete Hwy 99 St Peter Mn. 57682
Address: 38901 Steete 11
Email/Phone: KKjohnson Ph & gma, 1 com
Comments: Confect Me We have existing snowmobile
Prossings along this project I would like
Crossings along this project I would like to work with you to keep the safe and
accessible so we do not have they
accidants.

Public Open House - Thursday, January 18, 2018

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Brian Vether
Address: 34915 Arrowsos Arrows
Email/Phone: 380 - 5657
Comments: De Fire tely NO bite trail Death Wish
roundabout at 10/ NO Stop Sign3
Wider Field Approach at 1 blk worth
of co. rd 2. Roundabout at 21.
Tile issue raised outlet and have water
beitup into Field.

Public Open House - Thursday, January 18, 2018

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Joe Michael L
Address: 74645 Midway ct, Kasota, Mn. 56050
Email/Phone: 1-507-317-6768
Comments: I hope we can solve this major problem
It is very dangerous living along 22.
Traffic is getting heavier 24/9.
Good luck !!!

Public Open House – Thursday, January 18, 2018

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Tobin Baumgard
Address: 35086 PrimroseLn Kasota
Email/Phone: Imbaumgarslægmail.com
Comments:
Trying to make left turns onto they 22 from
Cold #101 of County Road 21 are difficult.
Possible roundabouts would help.

## WELCOME

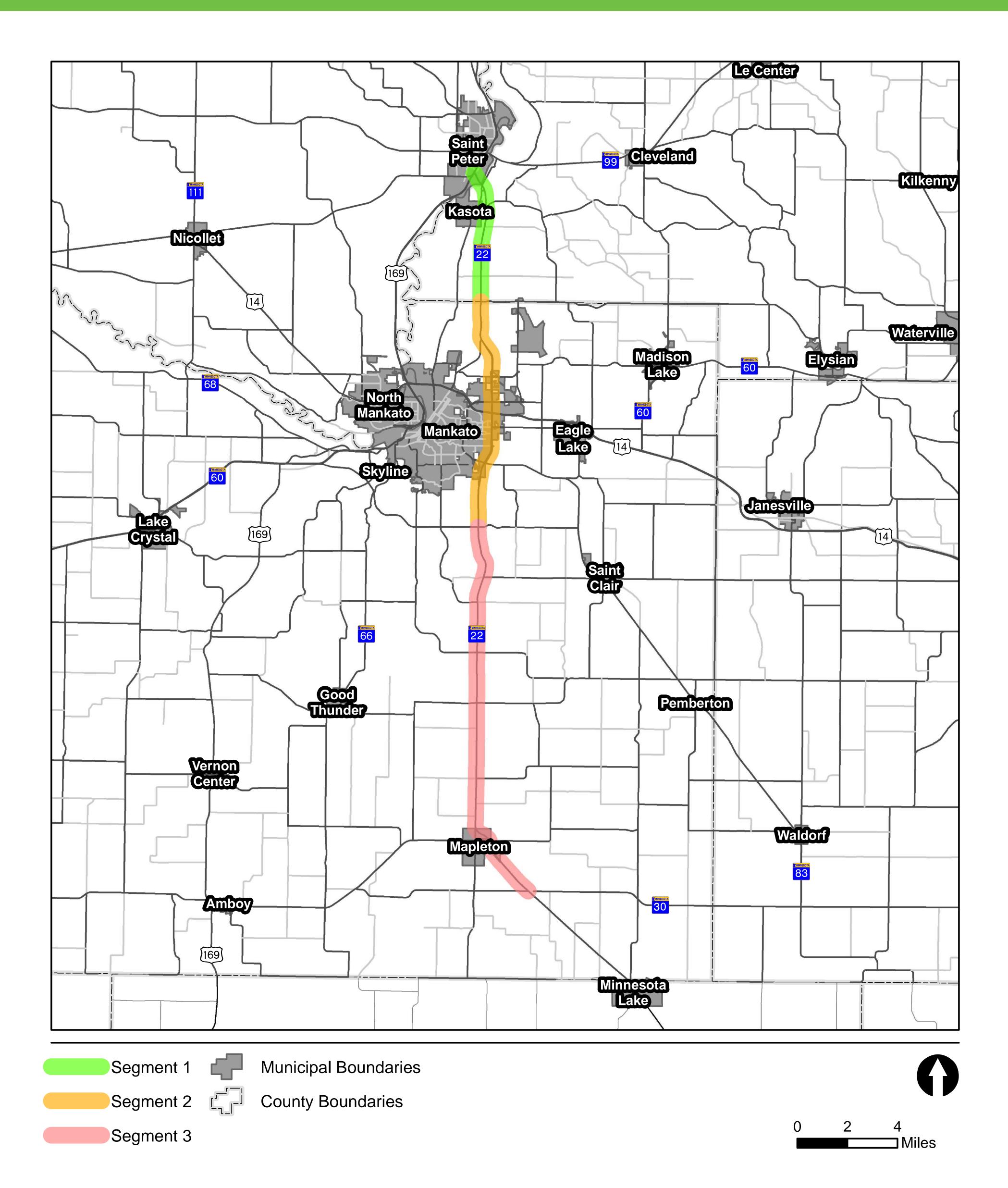


OPEN HOUSE 2





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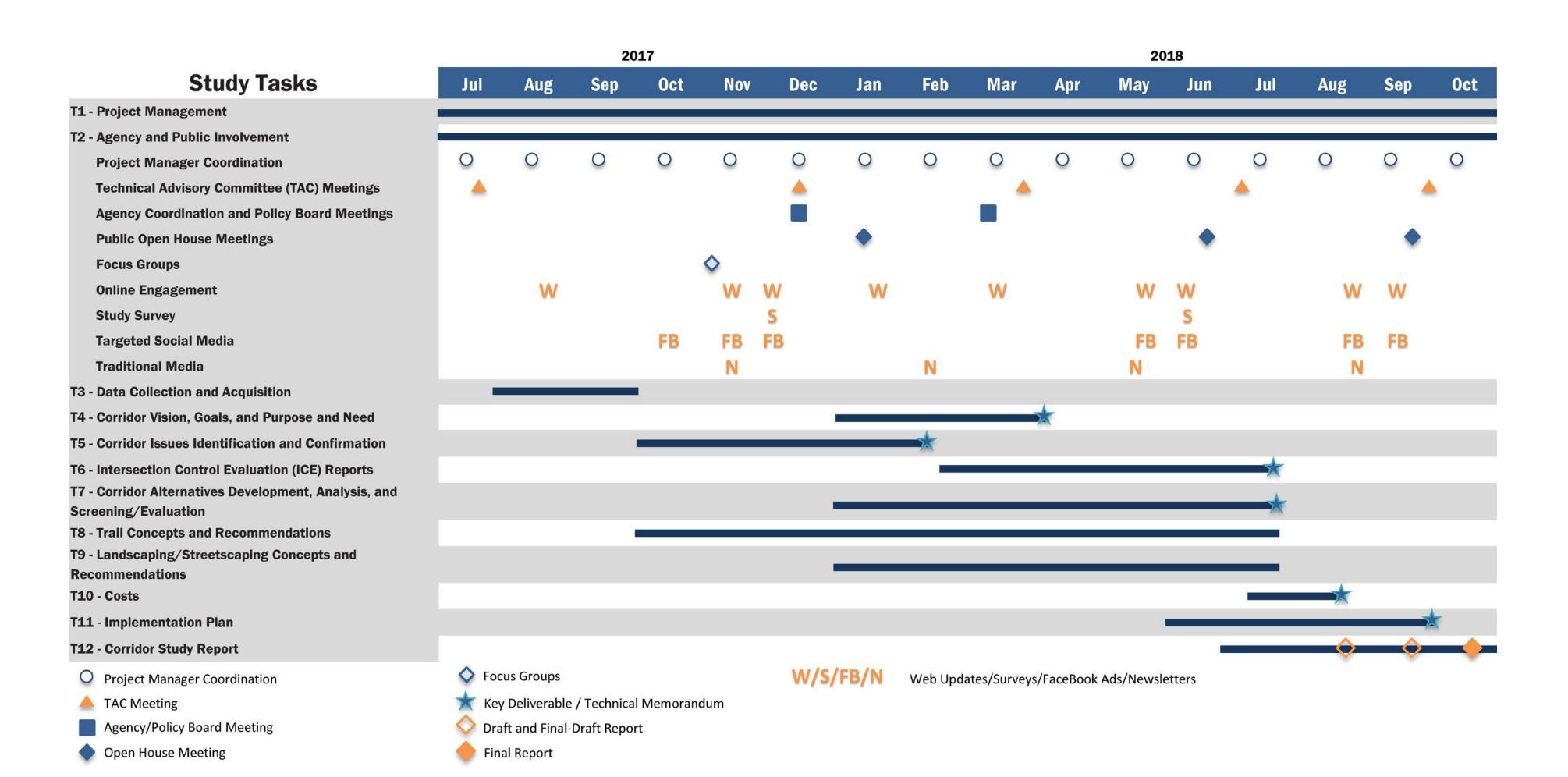


The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) are conducting a Highway 22 Corridor Study from Saint Peter to Mapleton. The Study will evaluate existing and future transportation recommendations, including:

- lane configurations
- access management
- intersection control options
- alternative intersection designs
- bicycle and pedestrian connectivity
- local roadway and trail networks
- potential land use impacts and opportunities

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- MAPO
- MnDOT
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- Le Sueur County
- Kasota
- Lime TownshipMankato
- Mankato Township
- Mapleton
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## Segment 1 Concepts (Preliminary)

US 169 (in Saint Peter) to CR 2



\*Future Median Openings will be Subject to MnDOT Access Management Guidelines







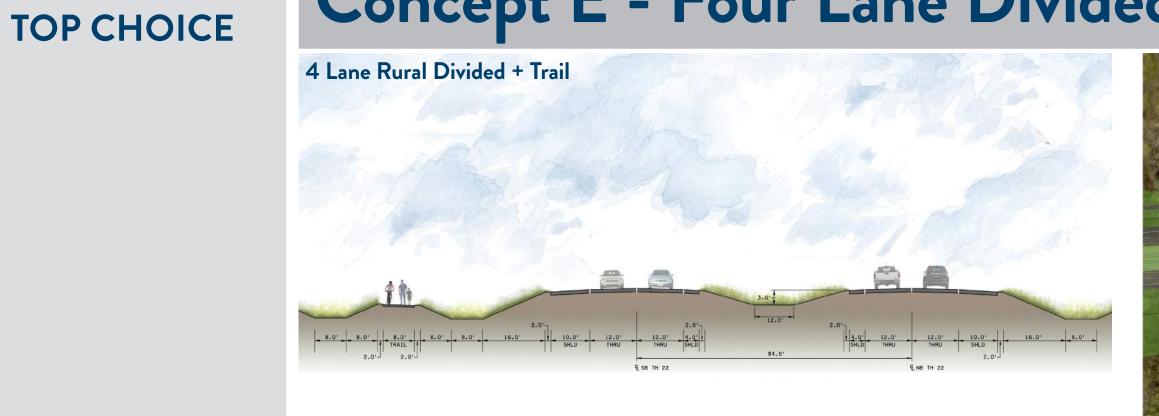
## Segment 2A Concepts (Preliminary)

CR 2 to CR 26 (227th Street) & Hwy 83/CR 60 (Stadium Road) to CR 90



Typical Section

Concept E - Four Lane Divided with Trail\* \$66 Higher Cost & Minimal Congestion, & Less Access





North of Jayhawk Road

North of Jayhawk Road Typical Section



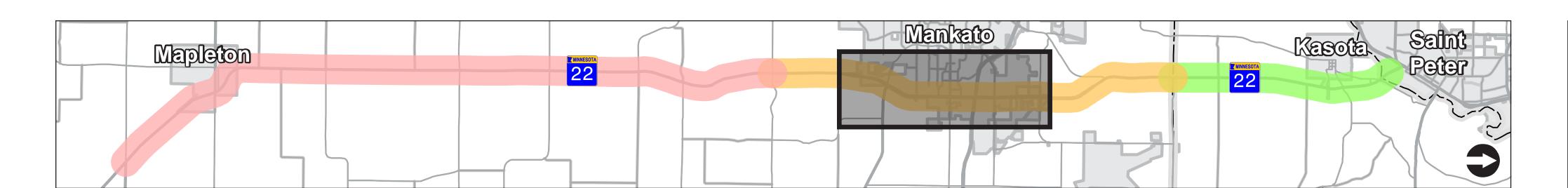
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## Segment 2B Concepts (Preliminary)

Hwy 83/CR 60 (Stadium Road) to CR 26 (227th Street)

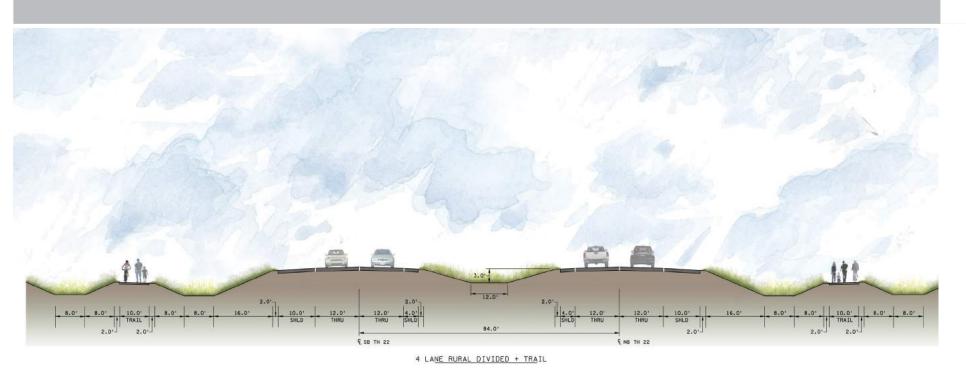


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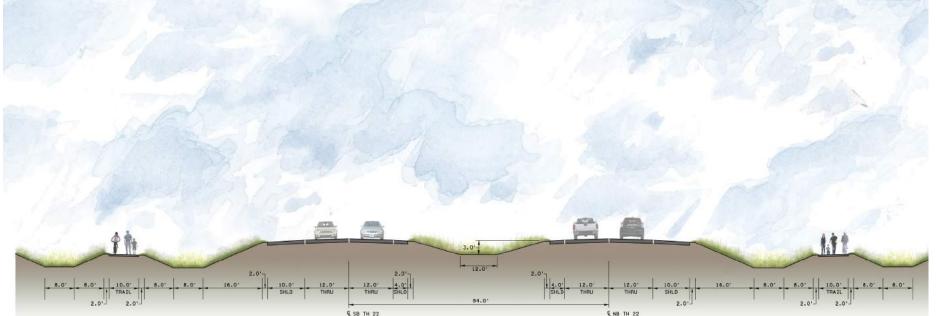
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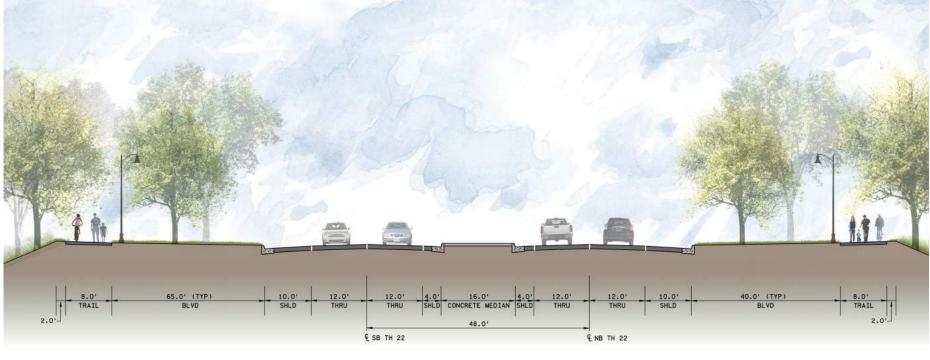
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Concept B - Four Lane Urban Divided with Sidewalk/Trail (Both Sides)

\$\$\$\$ Higher Cost TReduced Footprint Curb & Gutter Shorter Pedestrian Crossings



Typical Section





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South of CR 26 (227th Street) to South of Hoffman Road

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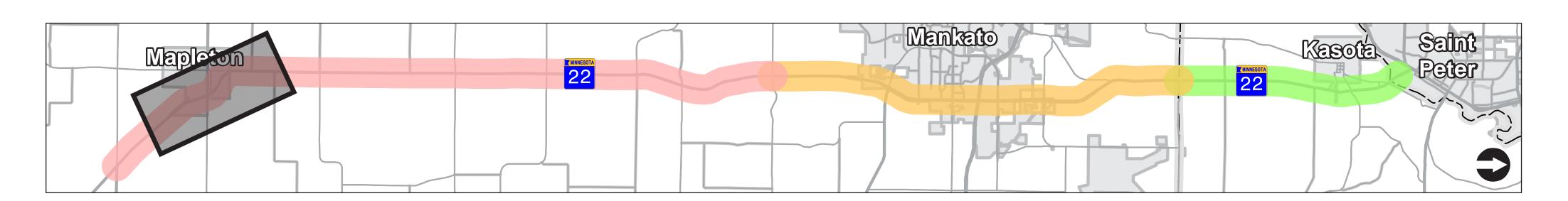






## Segment 3 Concepts (Preliminary)

City of Mapleton



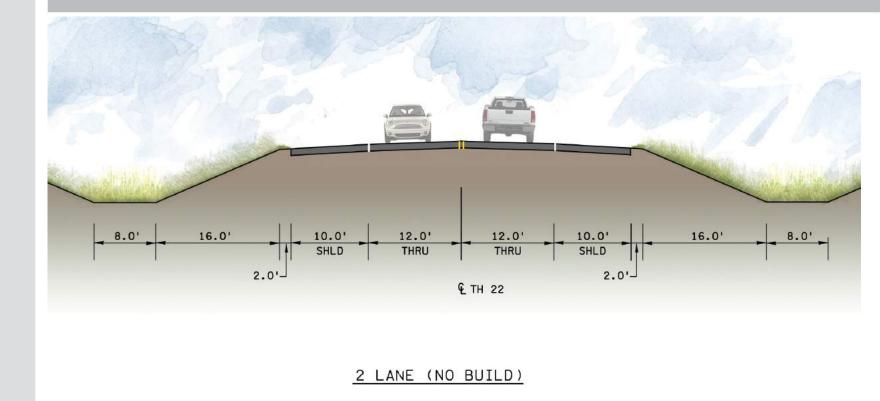
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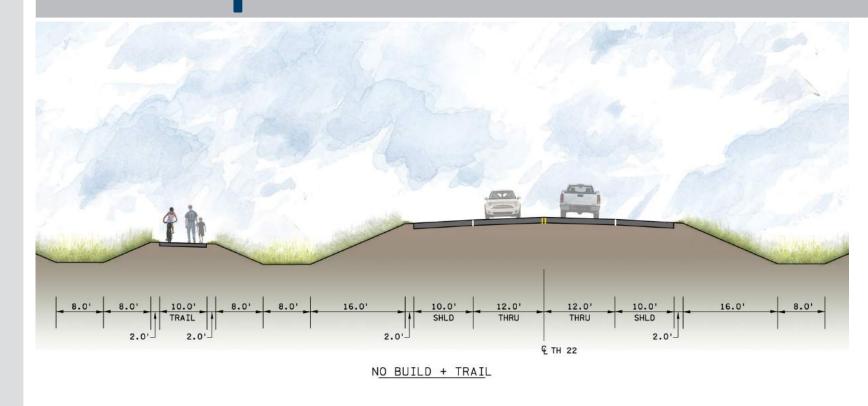
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North of Hwy 30/CR 21 (129th Street)

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#### Concept A - Two Lane with Trail

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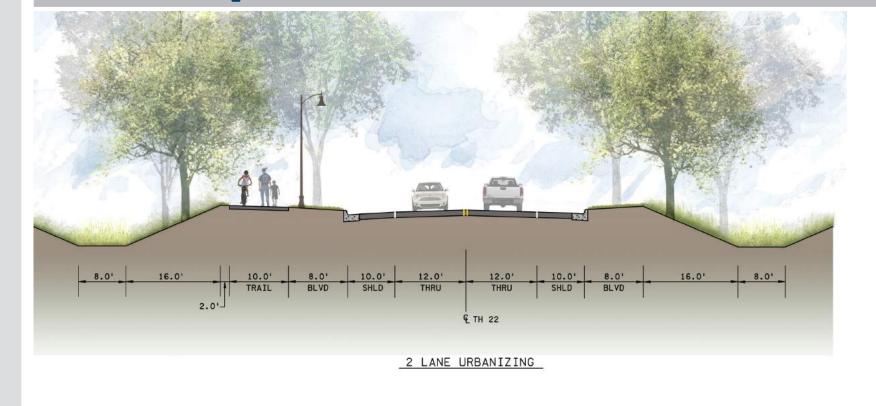


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Concept B - Two Lane Urban with Sidewalk/Trail 66 Higher Cost O Curb & Gutter Speed Reduction





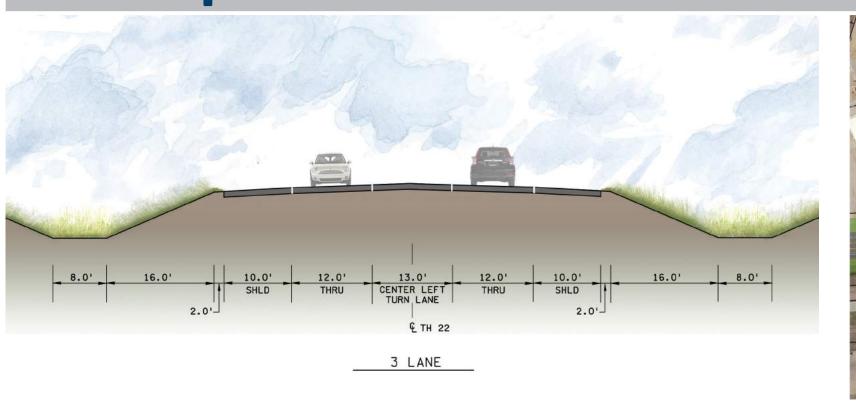
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Concept C - Three Lane Rural

\$ Moderate Cost Ditches Improved Access





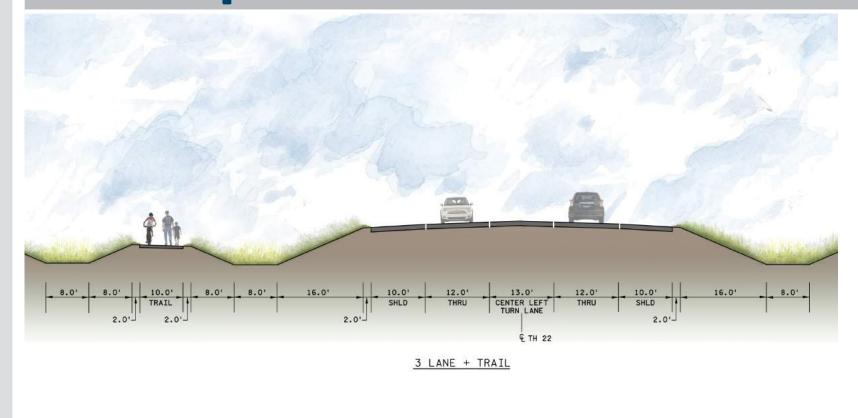
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Concept D - Three Lane Rural with Trail

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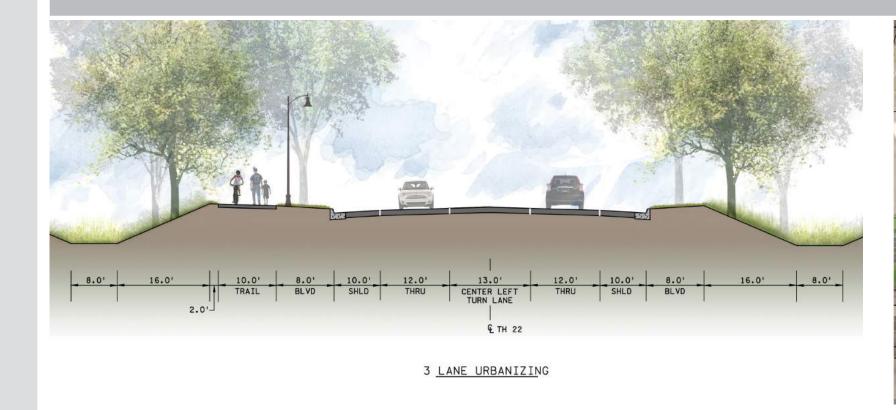
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#### Concept E - Three Lane Urban with Sidewalk/Trail

\$\$\$ Higher Cost (6) Curb & Gutter (7) Improved Access (5) Speed Reduction





Typical Section

North of Hwy 30/CR 21 (129th Street)







## Segment 1 Evaluation Summary US 169 (in Saint Peter) to CR 2

		Corridor Function			Right-of-Way Safety				
		Reduce congestion	Increase travel speed	Reduce access	Minimize right-of- way acquisition/ property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e. turn/R-cut/roundabout/passing lanes)	Improve bicycle connectivity	Improve pedestrian/bicycle comfort/safety	Cost
No Build - Two Lane	No Build (Two Lane Pavement Resurfacing)								\$
Concept	Two Lane Pavement Resurfacing with Trail								
Concept B	Three Lane Options								\$\$\$
Concept	Three Lane Options with Trail								\$\$\$
Concept	Four Lane Divided								\$\$\$
Concept	Four Lane Divided with Trail								\$\$\$







Acceptable, but not distinguishing

Does not meet objective

## Segment 2A Evaluation Summary CR 2 to CR 26 (227th Street) and Hwy 83/CR 60 (Stadium Road) to CR 90

		Corridor Function			Right-of-Way Safety				
		Reduce congestion	Increase travel speed	Reduce access	Minimize right-of- way acquisition/ property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e. turn/R-cut/roundabout/passing lanes)	Improve bicycle connectivity	Improve pedestrian/bicycle comfort/safety	Cost
No Build - Two/Four Lane	No Build (Two/Four Lane Pavement Resurfacing)								
Concept	Two/Four Lane Pavement Resurfacing with Trail								
Concept B	Three Lane Options								\$\$\$
Concept	Three Lane Options with Trail								\$ \$ \$
Concept	Four Lane Divided								\$ \$
Concept	Four Lane Divided with Trail								\$\$\$









Acceptable, but not distinguishing

Does not meet objective

## Segment 2B Evaluation Summary CR 26 (227th Street) to Hwy 83/CR 60 (Stadium Road)

		Corridor Function			Right-of-Way				
		Reduce congestion	Potential for reduction in speeds	Reduce access	Improve corridor aesthetics	Increase greenspace between roadway and trail/sidewalk	Improve pedestrian crossing safety by reducing crossing distance	Improve pedestrian/bicycle comfort/safety	Cost
No Build - Four Lane Divided	No Build (Four Lane Pavement Resurfacing)								
Concept	Four Lane Divided with Sidewalk/Trail Improvements and Ditches								
Concept B	Four Lane Urban Divided with Sidewalk/ Trail (Both Sides)								\$ \$ \$

Does not meet objective



Acceptable, but not distinguishing

Best meets objective





## Segment 3 Evaluation Summary City of Mapleton

		Corridor Function			Right-of-Way	Safety			
		Potential for reduction in speeds	Improve business (i.e. provide turn- lanes)	Improve corridor aesthetics	Minimize right-of- way acquisition/ property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e. turn/passing lanes)	Improve bicycle connectivity	Improve pedestrian/bicycle comfort/safety	Cost
No Build - Two Lane	No Build (Two Lane Pavement Resurfacing)								\$
Concept	Two Lane Pavement Resurfacing with Trail								
Concept B	Two Lane Urban with Sidewalk/Trail								
Concept	Three Lane Rural								\$ \$
Concept	Three Lane Rural with Trail								
Concept	Three Lane Urban with Sidewalk/ Trail								\$ \$









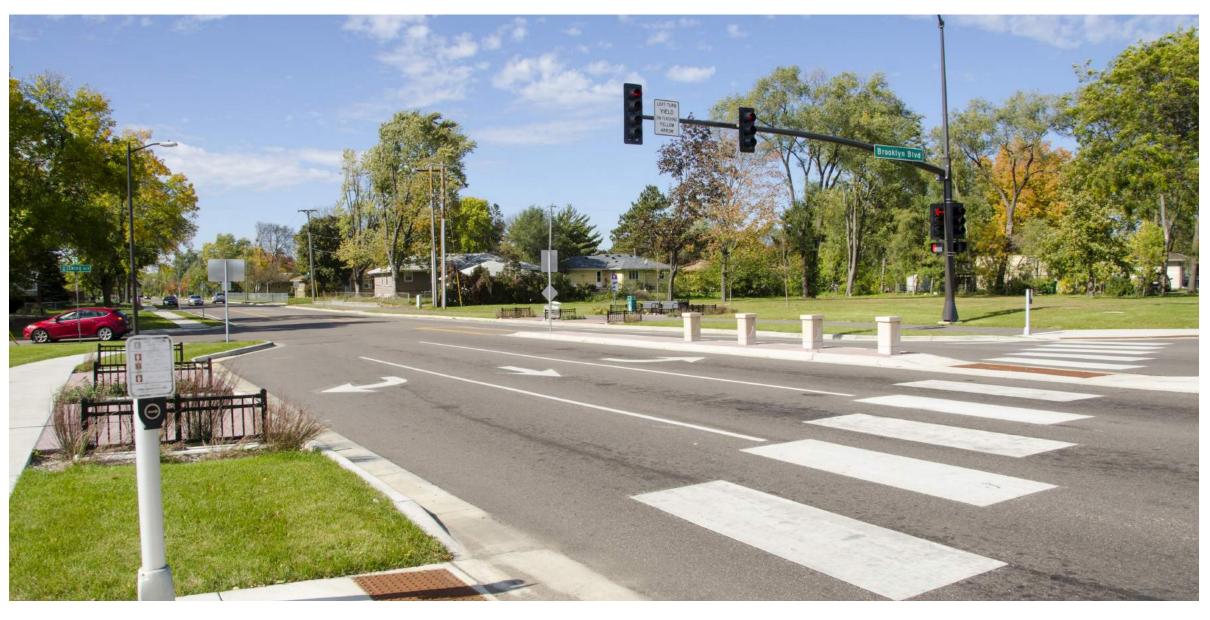
Acceptable, but not distinguishing

Does not meet objective

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### How do you prefer pedestrians to cross Highway 22?

#### **AT INTERSECTIONS**



Signal



Roundabout

#### AT MID-BLOCK CROSSINGS



Overpass



Underpass



Pedestrian Signal – Hawk System

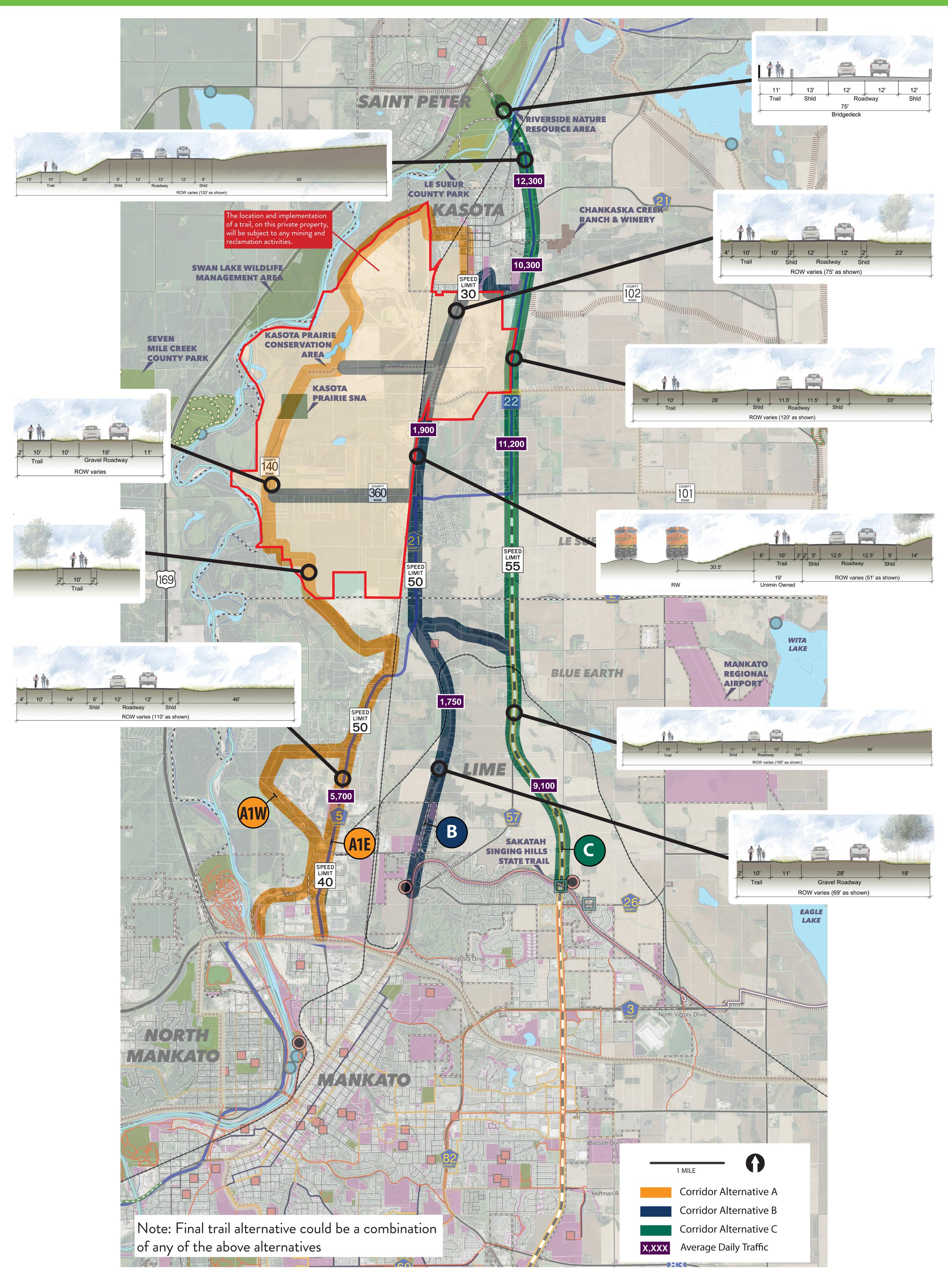








## Minnesota River State Trail Corridor Alternatives









## Minnesota River State Trail Corridor Alternatives – Evaluation Summary

	Segment A West	Segment A East	Segment B	Segment C
Length (miles)	11.5	10.3	6.8	7.8
Trail User				
Ped/Bike Multi-use Trail per MnDNR guidelines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Snowmobile	No	No	Potential	Potential
Equestrian	No	No	No*	No*
Right-of-Way Ownership				
Publicly owned land requires no right-of-way acquisition	- Private	- Public & Private	- Public & Private	- Public
Wetland Conflicts (acres)				
Corridor alignment crosses between 1 and 5 acres				
Railroad Crossing				
Corridor alignment does not cross railroad				
Road Crossing				
Corridor alignment minimizes amount of crossings				
Scenic Value				
Corridor has high scenic value				
Traffic Volume				
Alignment minimizes exposure to traffic				
Comfort Value				
Corridor has high comfort value (traffic volume, traffic speed & distance from travel lane)				
Key Destinations	Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail, MN River, Kasota Prairie SNA & Downtown Kasota	Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail, MN River, Kasota Prairie SNA & Downtown Kasota	Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail, Downtown Kasota & Kasota Prairie Conservation Area	Sakatah State Trail & Riverside Park



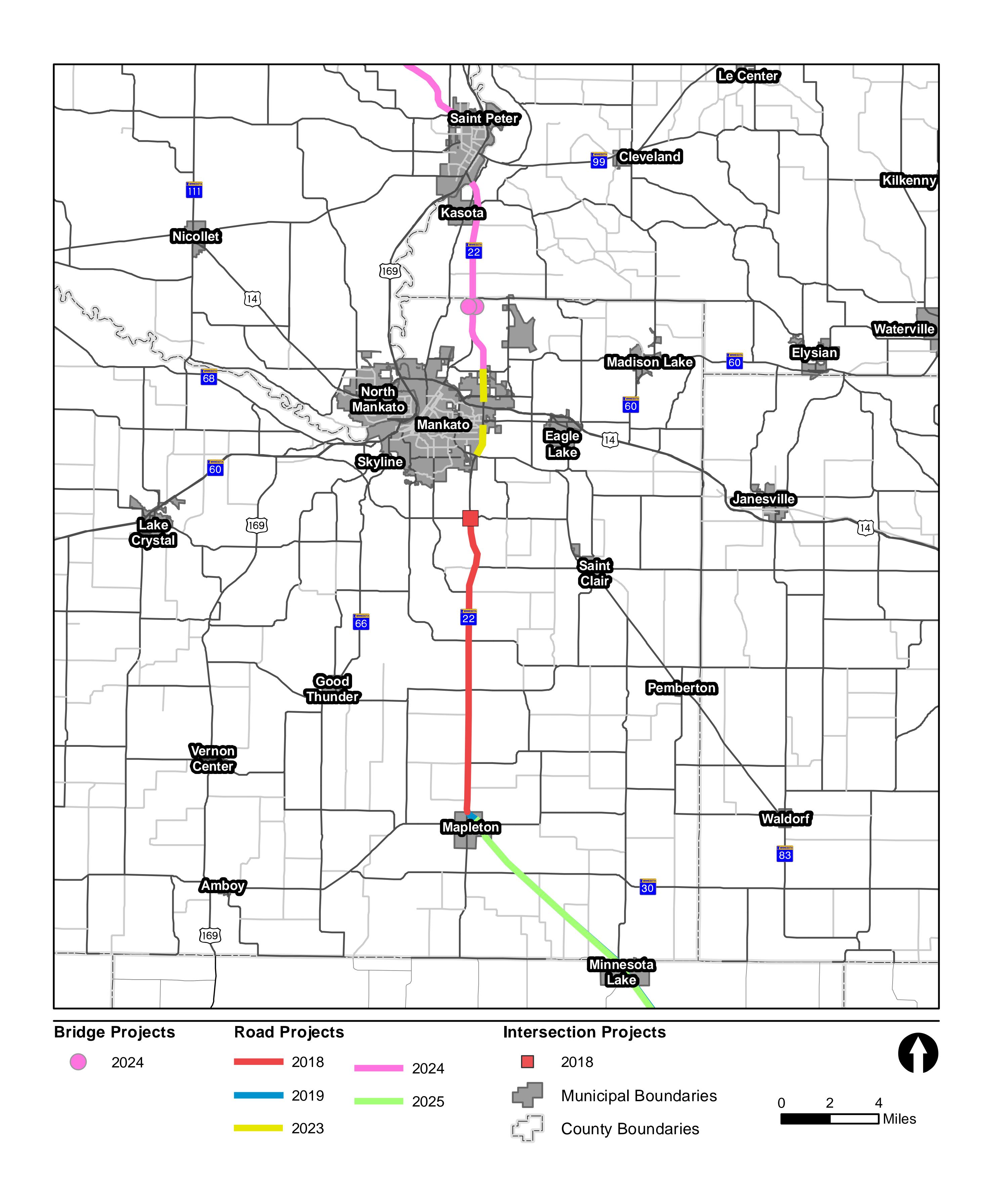
Good: meets criteria well





Acceptable: but relatively less desirable than Good

## MnDOT District 7 – Current and Future Projects

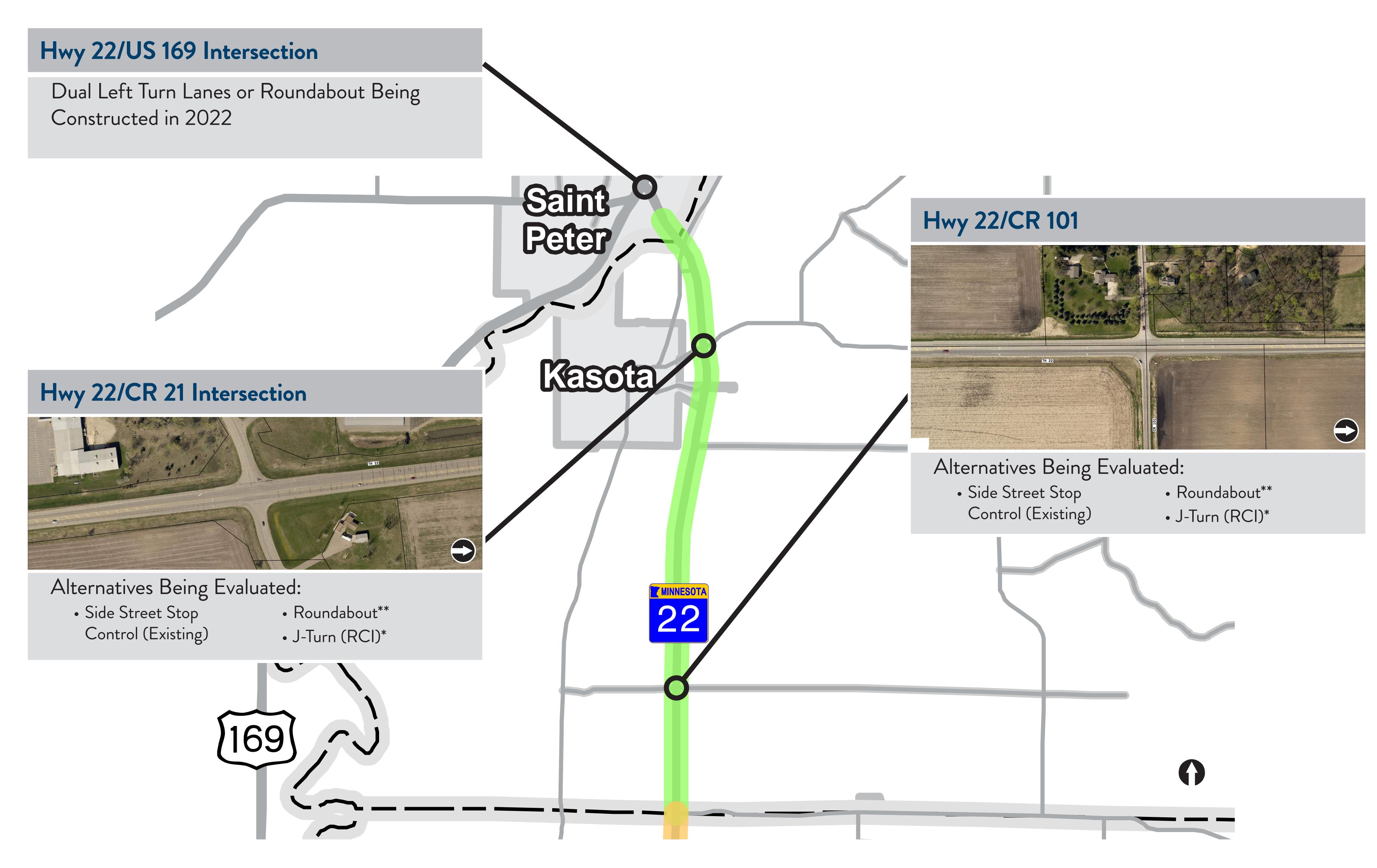








## Segment 1 Preliminary Intersection Alternatives



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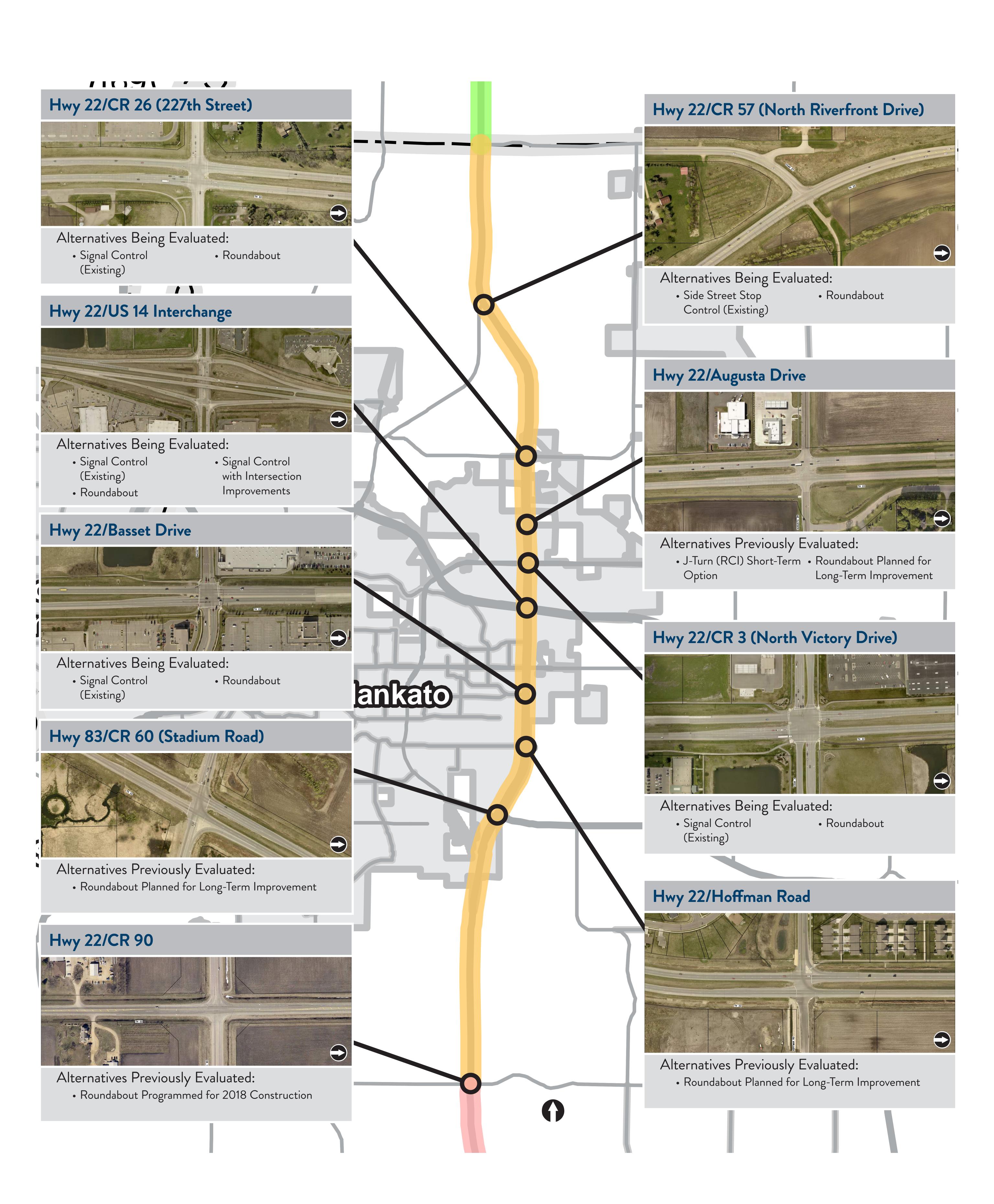
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## Segment 2 Preliminary Intersection Alternatives





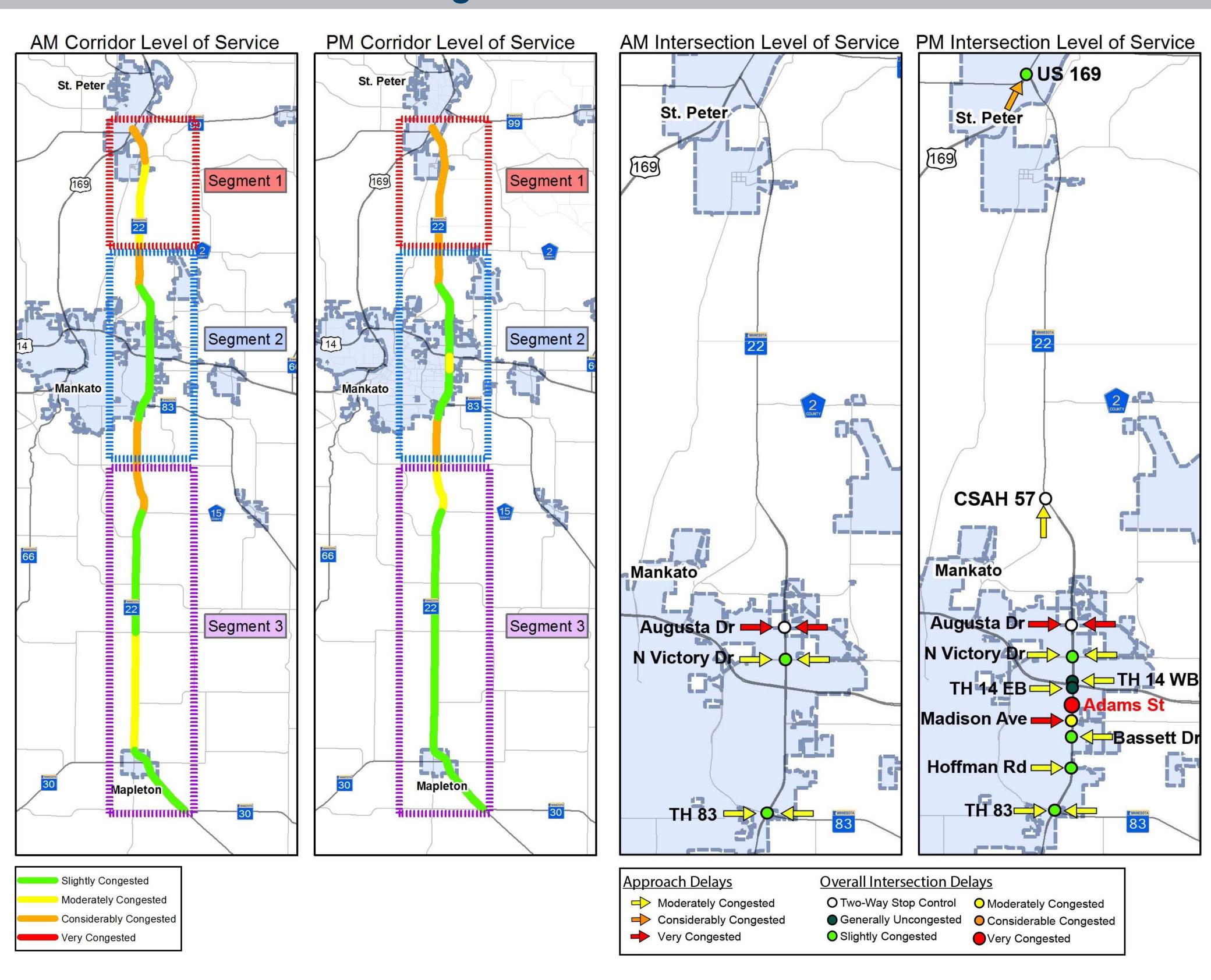




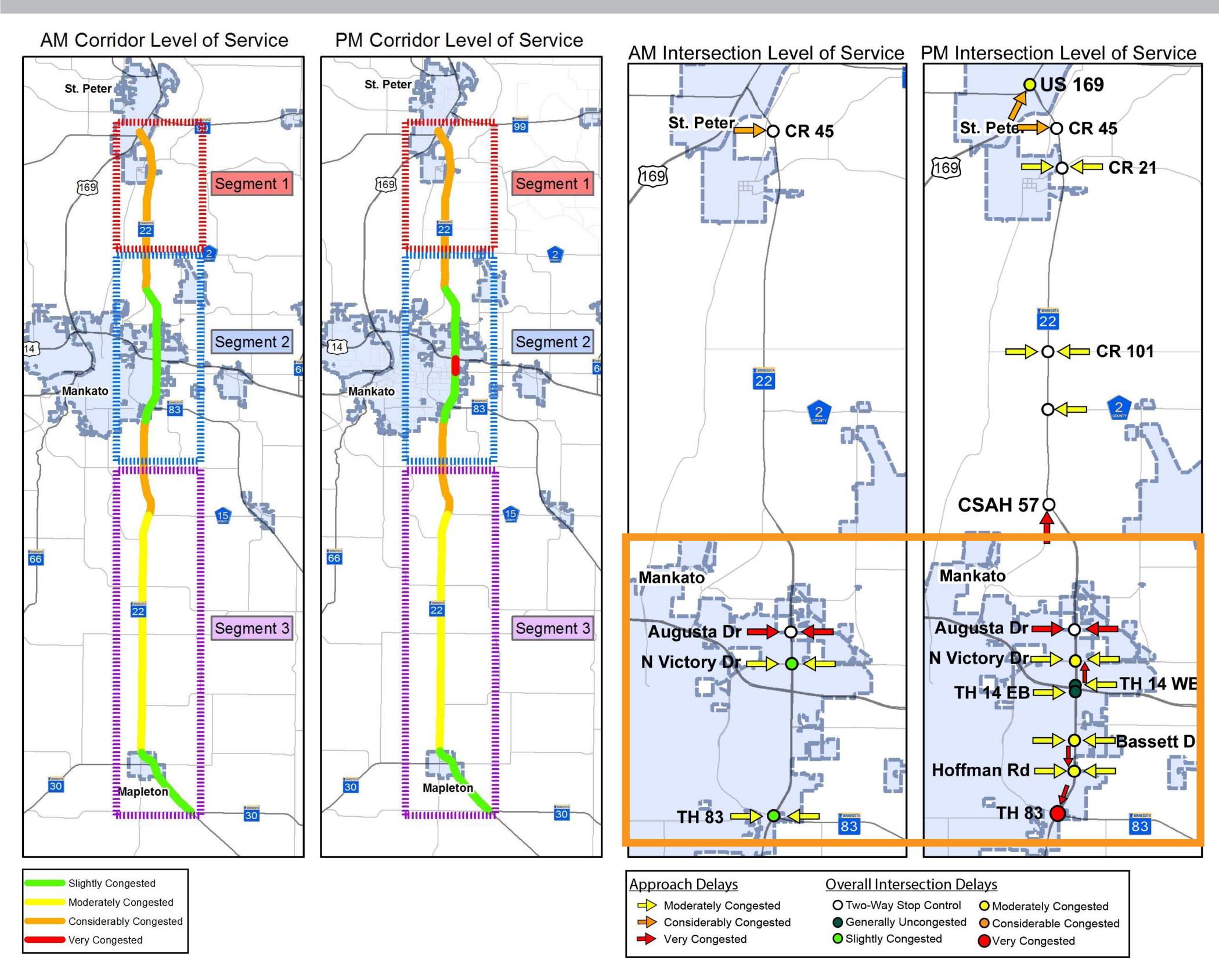
## Projected Traffic Conditions (AM and PM Peak Hour)

No Build Scenario

#### Existing (AM and PM Peak Hour)



#### 2045 (AM and PM Peak Hour)



#### Key Highlights for Projected Traffic Conditions:

#### Segment 1:

- Increased traffic is expected to result in increased peak hour congestion, especially where passing is not allowed.
- Traffic volumes on Hwy 22
- Existing = 10,300 to 12,300 vehicles/day
- Future = 14,900 to 16,800 vehicles/day
- Two-lane undivided highway capacity = 15,000 vehicles/day
- Three-lane undivided highway capacity = 17,000 vehicles/day
- Four-lane divided highway capacity = 38,000 vehicles/day

#### Segment 2:

- Evening peak hour congestion is expected to increase between Madison Avenue and US 14.
- Less severe congestion is expected north of US 14 and South of Madison Avenue.
- Side streets are expected to experience moderate congestion at Hwy 22 in the future, however not too severe at most locations.
- High delays are expected on Augusta Drive at Hwy 22 if stop control is maintained.
- Traffic volumes on Hwy 22
- Existing = 9,100 to 19,100 vehicles/day
- Future = 15,700 to 32,400 vehicles/day
- Four-lane divided highway capacity = 38,000 vehicles/day

• Additional traffic analysis to be completed in Segment 2. Traffic results may potentially change.

#### Segment 3:

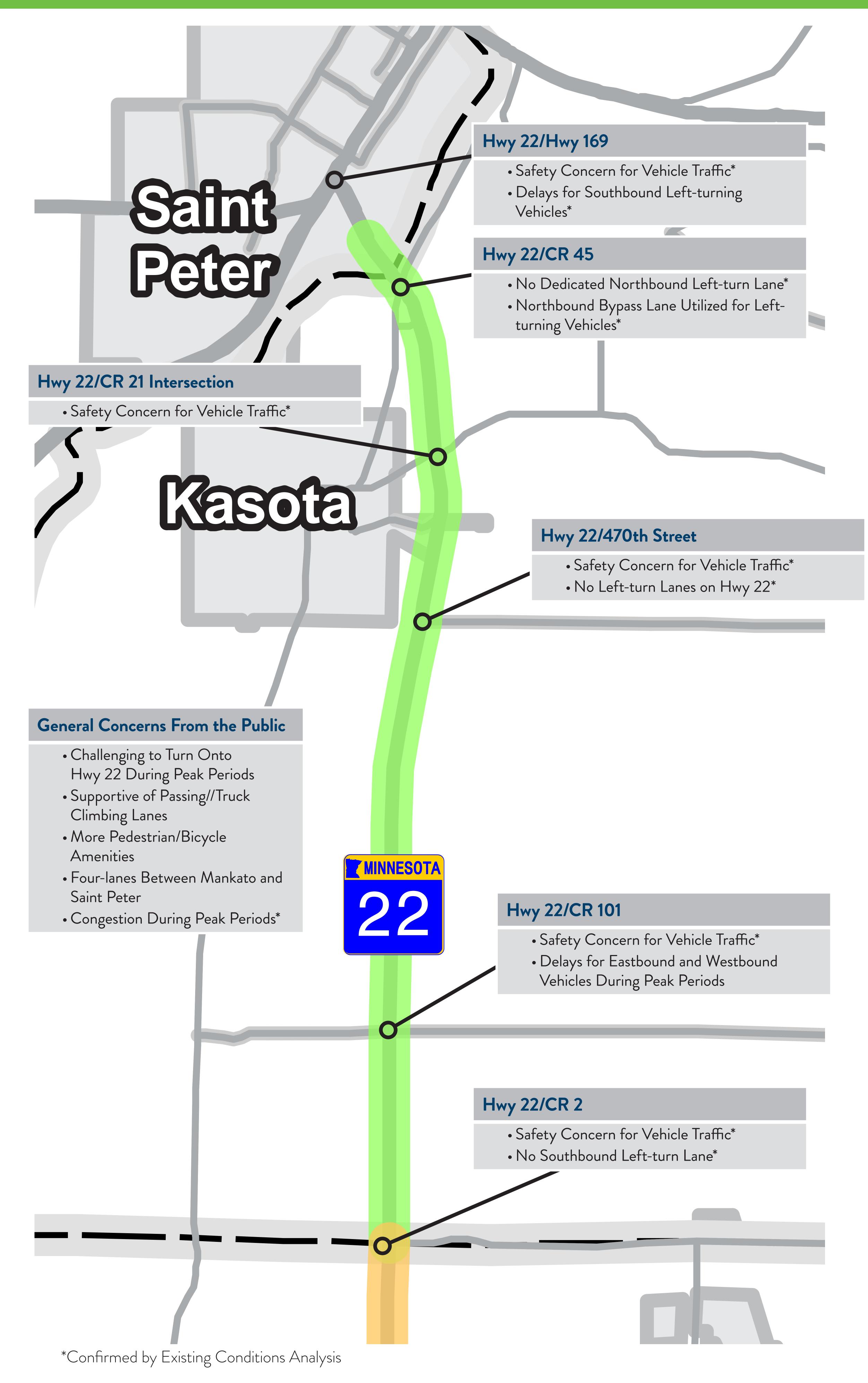
- Moderate congestion is expected in the future between Mankato and Mapleton, with more congestion expected just south of Mankato.
- Less congestion is expected in Mapleton and south of Mapleton.
- Traffic volumes on Hwy 22.
- Existing = 1,850 to 5,000 vehicles/day
- Future = 2,400 to 8,500 vehicles/day
- Two-lane undivided highway capacity = 15,000 vehicles/day







## Segment 1 Summary of Existing Issues

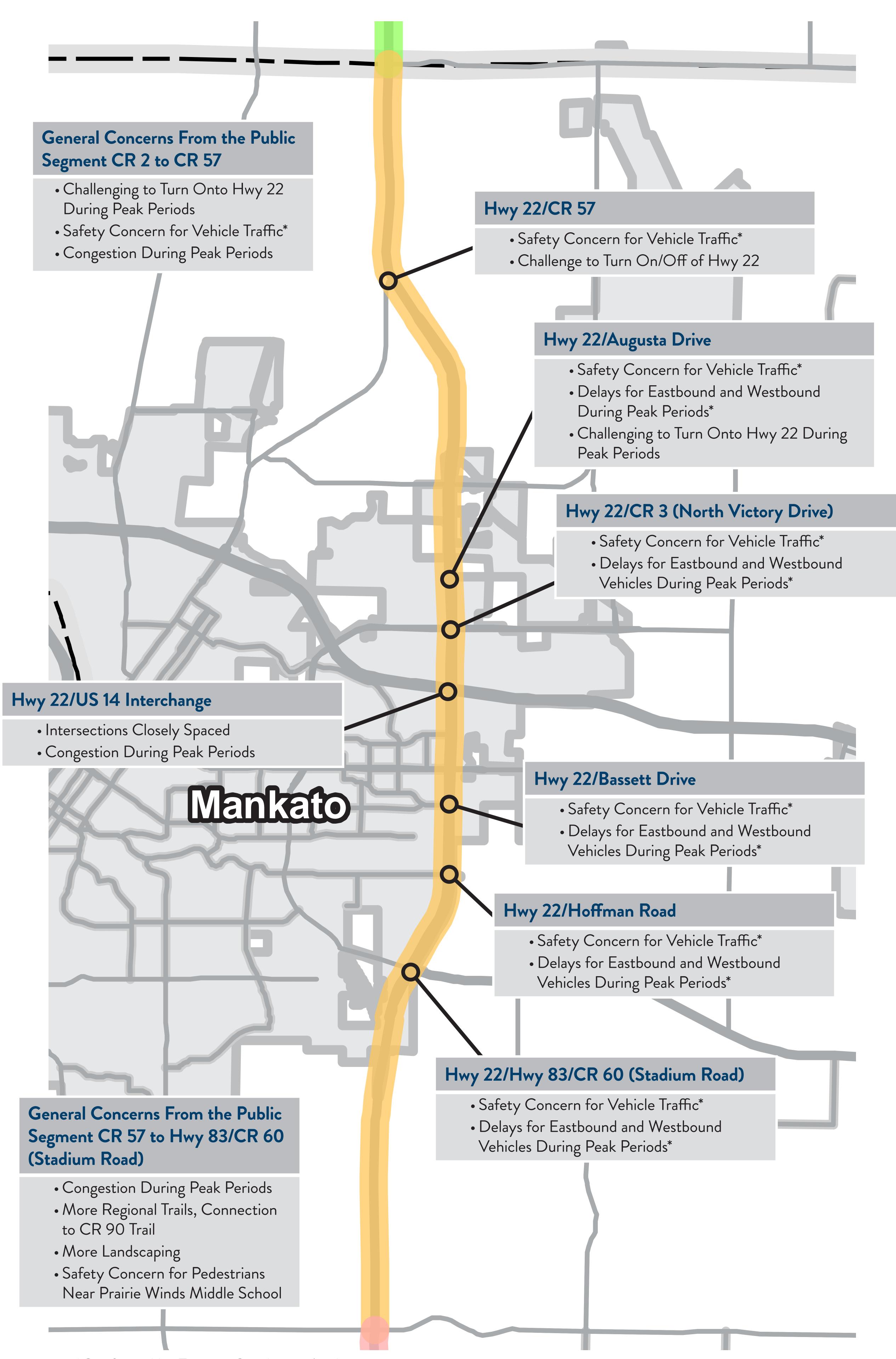








## Segment 2 Summary of Existing Issues



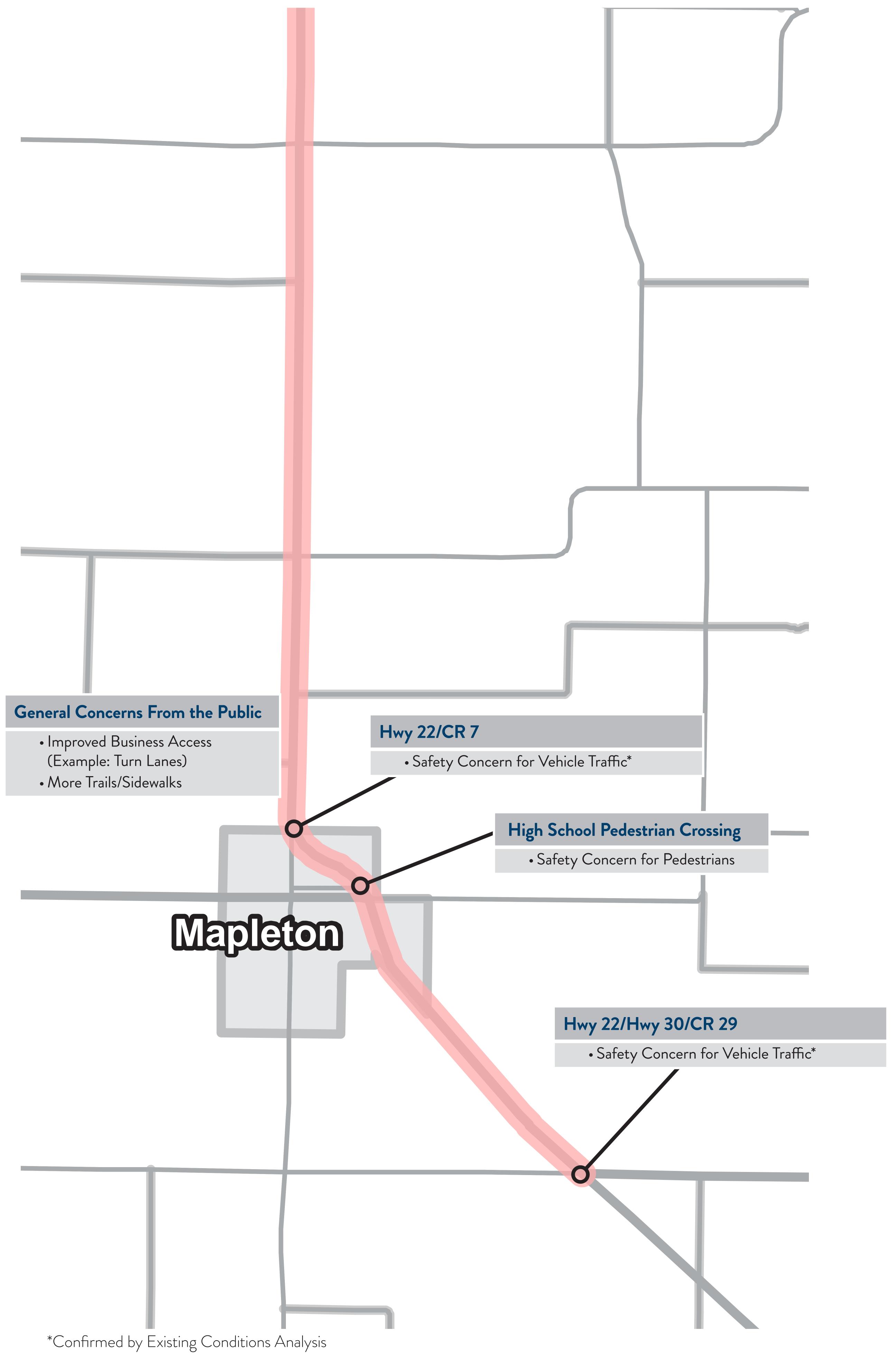








# Segment 3 Summary of Existing Issues









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Tuesday, June 5 | 5:00-6:30 p.m.

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Gene Brown	388 -1883	
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Lisa Byhan		ManDOT
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Amy Elias		SRF
Scott Throppson		MNDOT
Judy Swanson		



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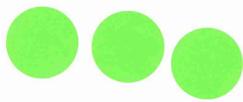
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**Open House 2** 

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Segment 1 (US 169 to CR 2)

Segment 2 (CR 2 to CR 90)

Segment 3 (Mapleton)

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Robert Debezelle

Address: 205 Pheasent Court MANKAto

Email/Phone: 507-327-5487 bob. degezelle & Yahoo. Com.

Comments:

theuse Consider using HW12 And make this

A New Road from Mankato to St Peter 4 Lane,

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Be the Time

Thanks Robert Debezelle

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Name: CHMS LUPERSON
Address: 48940 STATE Hum ZZ - KASOTT
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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.  Name: Barb Anderson
Address: 48940 State Huy 22, Kasota MN 56050
Address: 48940 State Havy 22, Kasota MN 56050  Email/Phone: barbjunanderson e gnail. com 507-317-3110
Comments:
Main Concern is sately turning west into driveway from 22,
Improve the of sight (regrade) 22 by wood Drive + Co. Rd. 2

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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.  Name: Chucka Bev Staff  Address: 507-625-1015  Email/Phone: 57866 23 12454 Mankata,
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Comments:
4 lanes would make 22 much safer -



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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.  Name: Karin Cavin
Address: 2388 6 Starte Huy 22 MK+0
Email/Phone: gavino @ hickory tech. net 507-625-1424
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**Segment 1** (US 169 to CR 2) **Segment 2** (CR 2 to CR 90)

Segment 3 (Mapleton)

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: 7066 Gavin

Address: 23886 state Huy 22, markato

Email/Phone: gavin 6@ hickory tech - ret

Comments:

it is very difficult to add input without Knowing a more specific plan. The road itself is not the problem. Durvers not following posted speeds, passing at No-passing zones and other violations are the problema Highway patrol is a better option than MN DOT.



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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.
Name: Jody Swansa
Address: 110 Phassint D. Mank. to Email/Phone: Swansevegmail.com
Email/Phone: Swansere gmail.com
Comments: Do not over baily Huy 22 - Keep 55 mph
Three lane will do the job on Sog 1 +2,
projections do not justify 4 lane
Do trail off highwy (B)
Thank 100

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Address: 101 W. Main	Kasola	
Email/Phone:		
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Name: Kevin Swanson	<b>N</b>	
Address: 110 Pheasant		
Email/Phone: Swanseve 61	nail, com /50	7-345-7010
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Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.  Name: Kick Turan Du  Address: 908 Meak Du St Poten  Email/Phone: 507 -382-0486
Comments: Be nice if meetings could be later for individuals that work until Spn-topm

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Name: KAUCE AVBY
Address:
Email/Phone: BDAVBY 122@GMAIL, COM
Comments: NOT HOTER
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Email/Phone: Sievert 526	) hotmail. com	
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Segment 3 (Mapleton)

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Kenneth J. Johnson

Address: 38901 State HWY999 57 Peter Mn. 56082

Email/Phone: KKyohnson phagmail . com

Don't Make a bike & Hike Trail Keep Mrunesoke River Trail Multo USE as it the bloining. If there is enough interestinabike & Ped trail only Regiona groups will find trails that connect to the State Multi use trail if there is not enough interest the users That want a FREE BIKE Trail can use the State Multo use Trail, and we won't have to waiste Money on routes that Segregate users or favor specific users.
Implement line vally Rd, comprivate land and fluy 22 as needed to boild I signle multiuse Trailforal/ Refer to Multi use statues for state Trail That include all users not listing Horse back and Snow mobile as spectal yse



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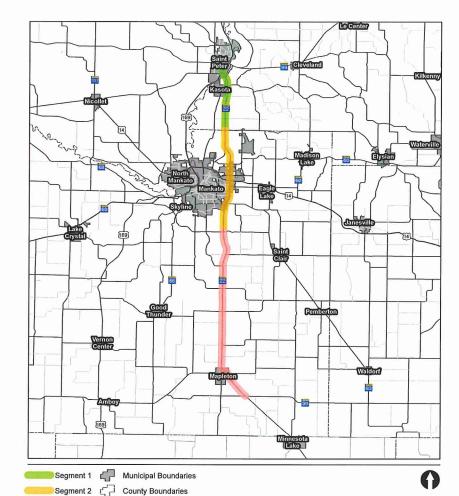
# Stop by the open house tonight:

**Thursday, June 14** from 4:00-6:00 p.m. MnDOT District 7 Office 2151 Bassett Drive **Mankato**, MN 56001

View and comment on the alternatives for the future of Highway 22. Plans include a possible DNR MN River State Trail, intersection modifications, lane variations and access considerations. If you can't make the meeting...

#### Visit

www.th22corridorstudy.com for more information or contact MAPO Director Paul Vogel, 507-387-8613 or Lisa Bigham MnDOT Planning Director, 507-304-6195.



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Address: 55363 Hemlock RD

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Name: Kevin Johnson

Address: 105 F Wood St Kusota Ma

Email/Phone: 507-327-820 /

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#### A note from my desk to yours. ©

Bruce Davey 47081 Linden Lane Kasota MN 56050 507-317-0770 bdavey122@gmail.com

July 10, 2018

To: Lisa Bigham, MnDOT, Mankato

RE: Hwy 22 Corridor study

I have just a few comments to share regarding the Hwy 22 study. To give you my perspective, I live just east of the highway on 470<sup>th</sup> St (AKA T-140<sup>th</sup>) which is one mile south of the asphalt plant and one mile north of Squirrels Nest Road, Co Rd 101. This is also the road where the large gravel pit is to the west of the highway. Further, my background was as a MnDOT highway technician (detail design) and then as a State Trooper and accident reconstruction specialist for 28 years based in Mankato for 25 years.

First and most important to me and many of my friends and neighbors whom I have talked to in relation to the upcoming project, is to <u>make it safer not faster</u>.

Even if it turns into a 4-lane at 65 MPH the gain in time from St. Peter to Mankato (call it 10 miles) versus a 2 lane at 55 MPH is about 1.5 minutes. Not much gain.

I would love to see <u>dedicated center left lanes with adjacent dedicated right turn lanes</u> at several intersections. While I have not seen the current stats for Hwy 22 it strikes me that there have been less crashes at the locations where the center left turn lanes and adjacent right turn lanes were installed a couple of years ago. That is the type of modifications that I believe are effective in both lives saved and construction costs. My particular intersections of choice for a center left turn lane with adjacent right turns lanes is at 470<sup>th</sup> St (T-140, and the gravel pit entrance road) and at Co Rd 102/T-298 (the Asphalt Plant).

I would also like to see <u>two roundabouts on the St. Peter to Mankato section</u>. My target locations would be at <u>Shanaska Creek Road (Co Rd 21)</u> and at the Riverfront Drive (Co Rd 57) intersection. My reasoning for these two intersections at that simply from my observance they both have substantial traffic volume that would benefit from a roundabout especially at Shanaska Creek Road. That intersection, at times, has very heavy traffic and has had a significant number of accidents over the years. From simply personal observation the traffic volume has increased substantially over the last 10 to 15 years and it seems to me that the volume will only increase over time and would be an appropriate location for a roundabout.

Having roundabouts at these two locations could also have the side affect of helping folks make the decision to return to using Hwy 169 for their trips to Mankato, since it might make the trip seem faster for those with the "need for speed". The need for speed is not what this road needs.

#### Hwy. 22 needs to be safer not faster. Please help us with that.

Please feel free to share my thoughts with others as you deem appropriate. Thank you.

#### **Local Businesses For Multi-Use Trails**

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- Yes, I like that it incorporated healthy, natural, historical, and cultural aspects of the MN River. It
  is a unifying statement that includes different interests and purposes for the trail.
- I fail to see how having people bicycle, run, walk, jog, walk dogs, ski, ride horses, snowmobile, hunt and have access to fishing while going through my property every day would benefit my healthy lifestyle.
- I believe this trail provides an exceptional opportunity to help preserve the valley and attract more Minnesotan's to recreate and experience nature and history in a breathtaking setting.
- NO
- I don't know how it would help the people who live here. The only ones [trail users] who spend money are snowmobilers.
- This trail sounds like a great opportunity for all trail users!
- Yes, destination traveling. All of the MN River is a community tap into the social/cultural tapestry and network that exists.

## What additions, changes, or deletions would you suggest?

- DNR needs to take a more aggressive role
- Bikers or hikers will not bring [dollars to the] rural economy. They will not stop in any of the small towns except for water and restrooms.
- What about the homeowners that pay taxes to live here? No the trail will not bolster rural
  economy; it will create litter and noise along a once quiet secluded country road.
- The trail will also provide a form of recreation for users, but I'm not seeing that included in this statement.

## **Recommended Trail Uses:**

Should any other uses be accommodated?

- What about ATVs? We are tired of taking our money to WI to ride grant in aid trails.
- e No
- Please allow snowmobile traffic. Also being a person who has partaken in most trail activities, I
  can tell you that snowmobilers do more for the local economies than the others by buying gas,
  food, oil, and lodging.

## Should any of these uses be limited?

- I do not like the idea of hunting or people carrying guns by our home with small children playing nearby.
- Please limit motorized use of any trails.
- No hunting.
- No uses should be limited. Make everyone pay for use with a permit for summer users and winter users. Multi-use trail needs to include snowmobiles on all trails!
- I think that parts of any trail maybe appropriate for some users but not for all; Some uses are not compatible ex. XC ski and snowmobiles
- May need to restrict motorized uses in some sensitive segments and provide alternate routes.

### Trail Corridor Resources:

Do you have any other suggestions related to water resources, vegetation management, wildlife habitat, or the area's historical and cultural resources?

- I have my own wildlife and vegetation. Leave it as is.
- This section is beyond my knowledge, but I do trust that the DNR has the future impact on vegetation, water resources, and wildlife at its goal.

## Implementation:

Do you have any other suggestions for how the master plan is implemented, once it has been reviewed and approved by the DNR Commissioner?

- Just to make sure that all agencies are working together so that we can find the best long term option for everyone involved.
- Mankato-St Peter-New Ulm has a lot going for it and would work best and the community has the capacity to make our section work.
- St Peter to Mankato seems the easiest piece to implement. St Peter to Le Sueur should be the second to connect towards the city.
- A tar, gravel, or dirt path can run alongside this trail for ATVs.
- I hope that the step-by-step process outlined in this section is strictly followed.
- We expect only purchases between willing sellers and buyers [including third partys] using a
  method of uniform standard appraisal to ensure fair treatment of sellers. We expect no eminent
  domain actions be taken as pressure mounts for trail completion from special interest groups.

### Overall:

What is the one thing you are most excited about related to the Minnesota River State Trail?

- The whole thing. I ride the MN River and would like a recreational trail option along with that.
   Think recreation experience not so much inter-state transportation. Excited about State Park to State Park destination routes.
- Getting people outside.
- Being able to use it!!
- Snowmobiling with connections to other trails including Casey Jones, Sakatah, and MN Valley trails.
- Connectivity
- Not one thing is exciting about it!

What is the one thing you are most concerned about?

- People too near our homes, more littering than we already have. Too many people think all of the countryside is theirs to do with as they please and that means trouble for the landowners.
- The difficult task of trying to be all things to all people to the point that none are well served.
- Misuse and abuse of trails
- Landowners cooperation

### Minnesota River State Trail Master Plan

Utilizing a combination of designated bike routes and off-road trails could expedite the process of creating a contiguous trail segment. Directing state trail users onto bike routes would be a temporary solution until an entirely off-road trail alignment can be secured. Coordination between local governments, DNR, and Minnesota Department of Transportation will be critical throughout this process.

## Overall Criteria for Location of the Trail

- Provide a scenic route that showcases the landscape of the Minnesota River Valley.
- Minimize trail user exposure to vehicular traffic.
- Minimize impact on wetlands and flood plains.
- Avoid negative impacts on rare and endangered species and avoid fragmentation or disturbance of significant native plant communities.
- Provide snowmobile and horseback riding access where they can be safely accommodated.
- Connect or link to existing trail systems and hubs of outdoor recreation.
- Provide connections to, and vistas of, the Minnesota River and surrounding bluffs.

by-segment basis.



































# 3. RECOMMENDED TRAIL USES

The exact number and location of treadways will be determined on a segmentwidth, land use restrictions, landowner agreements, and resource constraints. accommodated on all segments of the trail due to limitations of right-of-way natural surface treadway for horseback riding. Not all uses may be may be developed as separate treadways for specific uses; for example, a walking, bicycling and in-line skating, as well as snowmobiling. Other segments will be developed as a single treadway with compatible multiple uses such as different uses appropriate at different times of the year. Some trail segments The Minnesota River State Trail will be a multi-use, multi-season trail, with

The recommended uses for the trail include the following:

length of the trail. cyclists and children. Bicycling is a recommended use throughout the entire trails provide a more comfortable and safer option for casual and recreational this rising demand. Although advanced cyclists often prefer riding on roads, miles of paved or hardened/improved state trails to accommodate a portion of Bicycling: Bicycling is a popular activity in Minnesota, with approximately 590

recommended uses along the entire length of the trail. cardiovascular fitness activities on state trails. Hiking and walking are and walking activities; which are second only to bicycling as popular low-impact Hiking and Walking: The relative flatness of this trail will lend itself to hiking

of the trail. purposes. Running and jogging are recommended uses along the entire length and cross-country teams will be able to use this scenic trail for training addition to individuals who regularly use the trails for exercise, local school track Running and Jogging: Many people use state trails for running and jogging. In

surface, and thus would be feasible only on paved portions of the trail. remains a popular sport. This activity requires a paved trail with a smooth, wide In-Line Skating / Skate Skiing: In-line skating levels of use have declined, but it

feet in length. require all pets to be attended and restrained by a leash of not more than six as dogs are leashed and owners properly dispose of pet wastes. State trail rules Dog Walking: Dog walking is allowed along the entire length of the trail so long

are existing horse trails and horse campgrounds. The system could build and interconnected horse trail system should begin at those locations where there and there are several active and organized riding clubs. Development of an Horseback Riding: Horseback riding is a popular activity in the Minnesota Valley expand from those locations, focusing on the development of loop trails that could eventually be connected by a linear trail. Existing horse trail hubs are:

- Fort Ridgely State Park
- Seven Mile Creek County Park

Snowmobiling: Snowmobiling should be considered as a use as trail alignments are acquired. There are significant gaps in the snowmobile trail network in the Minnesota River Valley, and strong interest in finding scenic, permanent alignments. By concentrating snowmobile use on the trail, environmental impacts will be limited to the trail corridor. This is especially important in portions of the corridor with extensive wetland environments. (Most state trails are open to snowmobiles and some trails include separate natural-surface treadways used for snowmobiling and/or horseback riding.)

**Cross-Country Skiing and Snowshoeing:** Cross-country skiing and snowshoeing are possible winter uses when snow conditions permit.

**Hunting:** State trails allow hunting within the trail right-of-way during the legal hunting season, except where restricted by local ordinance. The current rule states: "No firearm or bow and arrow shall be discharged within the trail at any time, except for the purpose of lawful hunting during the period from September 15 to March 30 only. No rifle, shotgun with slug, or bow and arrow shall be discharged upon, over, or across the trail treadway at any time."

Communities may restrict firearms or bow and arrow discharge, or trapping, by ordinance. These ordinances take precedence over state trail rules.

Natural Resources Education/Interpretation: Use of state trails for natural resources education, both for individual trail users and formal groups, is encouraged. Schools or organizations that wish to use a trail can work with DNR staff on specific projects. Interpretive displays on the environment and history of the trail can enhance the trail users' experience. Nature photography and geocaching are also popular activities.

Accessibility: The trail will be accessible to people with disabilities wherever possible. Grades in excess of 5% may be unavoidable in some locations where the trail must match a parallel transportation corridor or where one of the exceptions in the Federal accessibility guidelines is met.

**Fishing Access:** The trail will provide access to the Minnesota River and its tributaries, including several state designated trout streams. The trail should be designed to connect anglers to fishing opportunities.

- Moderation reset how tempor allowing to support the state of the support temporal te
- Formal landowner contact; complete acquisition process. As mentioned above and with proper coordination, DNR or other entities may take the lead on land acquisition.
- Seek funding. State trails are typically funded through a variety of sources that include state bonding appropriations, federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds and federal trail grants.
- Trail engineering and design. The design process offers a final
  opportunity to assess feasibility, including the need to avoid sensitive
  natural or cultural resources and address constraints such as wetlands
  or steep slopes. Trail alignments may shift during the design process.
- Construction. Initiate construction on one or more segments, while the processes of negotiation and design continue on others.
- Ongoing maintenance and stewardship. Trail associations often act as "eyes on the trail" to monitor conditions, notify DNR of concerns and volunteer on certain efforts. Local units of government may provide trail maintenance via a cooperative agreement.
- Orientation and interpretation. All trails are developed with traffic safety and directional signs. Some trails provide interpretive signs that highlight notable natural and cultural resources and landscape features. An interpretive plan may be developed to identify themes and features that will be interpreted. Interpretive signs for the Minnesota River State Trail should be developed in conjunction with other trail sections and the interpretive plans for other nearby state recreation units.
- Actions Local Governments Can Take to Support Trail Development through their planning and development review processes, including the following:
- Integrate the trail concept into community plans, including comprehensive and land use plans, park and open space plans, and transportation plans.
- Through the local park and trails, integrate it with local parks.

  To local and regional trails, integrate it with local parks.
- Seek opportunities to meet multiple goals through trail development i.e., to improve water quality, protect natural areas, provide educational opportunities, or provide additional transportation options.
- Require park and trail set-asides. Through their subdivision ordinances, cities and counties may require that developers dedicate a reasonable

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Senate

State of Minnesota

Paul Hansen Natural Resources Dept 261 Highway 15 South DNR South Region Headquarters New Ulm, MN 560738915

Dear Paul,

I attended the capitol investment committee meeting at MNSU, Mankato at which a presentation was made by you regarding the Minnesota River Trail, and the Master Plan for that trail due in December.

It was my understanding that this project is not in the DNR capitol request for this years bonding bill. It was also implied that the request from DNR could be revised to include this project if the work is completed and details are resolved adequately to be ready for a financing request. I did not get a feeling for where this project is in the ranking for priority by DNR. Perhaps you could advise me on my assumptions about it possibly being included and where it would rank in priority by the DNR.

I also understood you to indicate that the recommended route and users would be a part of the master plan completed by December. Senator Carla Nelson and I made inquiries during the hearing about the utilization of this trail and if any restrictions were being considered as a part of the plan. I believe I heard you say that was an unanswered question at this time, but that consideration was being made for a two trail system that would provide different users different paths.

Because the time was limited I did not get to understand this possibility adequately. I assume that the two path system if proposed would be paid for and implemented simultaneously so that no user would be excluded from this expansion of the trail system. I also assume that if the two trail system is suggested but not accommodated for in the initial development of the trail that the completed trail would be used by all users without restriction until the second trail is completed. Am I correct in assuming that you are listening to the needs and concerns of all users and not moving forward with a plan that does not respect all of their interests at the same time.

Thanks for your hard work on this important trail expansion. It will be a wonderful asset to this region of the State and one that I will support if all interests are fairly resolved.

Sincerely,

Senator Kathy Sheran

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CG: Dennis Fredrickson, Regional Department of Natural Resources Director

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Silver Maple - (Virginia Creeper) Floodplain Forest	FFs68a
Southern Dry Prairie	UPs13
Southern Mesic Maple-basswood Forest	MHs39
Sugar Maple - Basswood - (Bitternut Hickory) Forest	MHs39a
Sugar Maple Forest (Big Woods)	MHs39c
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# WE WELCOME YOUR INPUT!

Local and state transportation officials will be formulating solutions about the future of Highway 22 – and many of them include challenging tradeoffs. *Fill out as much or as little as you choose. Just check the ones that are important to you.* 

1)	On Hwy 22 between <b>Mankato and St. Peter</b> , what is more important to you, mobility (getting through quickly with little or no delays) or easily accessing local roads, businesses, and residential areas? <u>Please select one.</u>
	Mobility – maintain higher average speed for through traffic and reduce congestion – add lanes but restrict or consolidate local access, make use of J-turns at intersections with four lanes  Easy access - reduced average speed for through traffic, but improve access to local roads with – roundabouts, etc (two lanes with dedicated left turn lanes)
2)	What are your preferences for the look and feel of Hwy 22 as you <b>travel through Mankato</b> ? Please select one.
	☐ Urban parkway (four-lanes, curbs, continue trails on both sides, landscaping, narrower median, roundabouts, lower speeds, higher cost)
	☐ Rural highway (four-lanes, stays as is with ditches and wider median, roundabouts, continue trails on
	Other. Please list beaut it for what it was intended (rival local traffic) not a way or Short cut for oversized trucks and fast which is
3)	In the city of Mankato, if a pedestrian underpass or overpass were to be provided, where is the best location? Please select two.
	☐ At or near Wickersham Health Campus
	☐ At or near HyVee/River Hills Mall
	☐ At or near Walmart (Bassett Drive)
	☐, At or near Hoffman Road (schools)
	Other. Please list Depends on trail plan 5
	i. What type of pedestrian crossing are you comfortable using in Mankato? Select all that
	apply. ☐ Signal (at intersection only)
	Roundabout (at intersection only)
	Grade separated crossing (underpass or overpass)
	ii. What <b>type of grade-separated pedestrian crossing</b> (separates pedestrians from traffic
	flow) do you prefer in Mankato? <u>Please select one</u> .
	Overpass (bridge)
	Underpass (tunnel)  No preference
4)	Tell us how you would use the Minnesota River State Trail between <b>Mankato and St. Peter.</b> Select all that
	apply.
	☐ Travel/Commute (to and from work/shortest route along Hwy 22)
	Recreation (most scenic closer to the MN River, family friendly)  Special use (horses, snowmobiles)  No.1 Not by Hwy 22
	☐ All of the above (just happy to have a trail anywhere)
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NOTE: Thank you for your input. Please understand that public input is an important part of the process. Other factors will need to be considered as we move forward including environmental impacts, funding and local approvals.

Please circle the segment your comments pertain to (can circle more than one)

Segment 1 (US 169 to CR 2) Segment 2 (CR 2 to CR 90) Segment 3 (Mapleton)

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Lauri De Gezelle

Address: 205 Phrasaut Court

Email/Phone: Degezelle@ yahoo.com

Comments:

I am currently a resident of the Pheasant Run Subdivision on Hwy 22, and have been for at least the past 14+ years. I also have friends and neighbors that live in other areas along the Hwy 22 corridor.

As a resident of the Hwy 22 corridor, it is quite evident that the level of traffic, and type of traffic has changed considerably in the past years. The most dramatic of these changes has been the discerning level of oversized trucks that now use Hwy 22 as a "short cut" to the industrial park warehouses, especially since last year's closure of Hwy 169 for repairs.

With not only the increase in traffic, but the type of vehicles now using this highway, residents along the Hwy 22 corridor, now face:

- Difficulty exiting our subdivisions/residence There can be an up to 5-10 minute wait period during peak hours, especially if you are trying to turn left out of the subdivision, crossing over two lanes.
   Traffic coming from Mankato and traffic coming from St Peter tends to be unsynchronized so that when one lane starts to clear in order to cross, the other lane does not allow it.
- Difficulty entering our subdivisions/residence This is even scarier! The fear of turning left into our subdivision, even when it is NOT during peak hours is very real. Being rear ended is not uncommon. So far, most of these incidents have been fairly minor, however, being rear ended and pushed into oncoming traffic, especially one of those over-sized rigs, is a real possibility. By Pheasant Run there is a lane to the right to allow cars to go around, however, the speed at which these vehicles are going around you, and the fact that some people just stop behind you then decide to pull out and go around you, makes for an accident waiting to happen (and there have been some already!) Then you can always add in the "texter" factor where distracted drivers just don't even bother to stop until it's too late.
- With the corridor now being used as a "short cut" for those in a hurry to get between St Peter and Mankato there are more vehicles speeding and trying to pass in areas with limited visibility or little passing capacity. (Road rage, especially during peak hours is not uncommon).
- There is a DEFINITE increase in oversized trucks taking "short cuts" to the industrial parks on this small rural highway not intended for use by these types of vehicles. Car traffic is one matter. However, with these oversized trucks, residential homes along the Hwy 22 corridor LITERALLY SHAKE when these vehicles go by. There is little regard to the quality of residential life we now face as these oversized trucks (which more often than not are already exceeding the speed limit) rumble down the corridor at all hours of the night and day. (\*I would welcome anyone interested to come and join us for an early morning cup of coffee on the porch to give you a sampling of what we put up with all day and night).
- The level of safety for ANYONE/ANYTHING traveling or living along Hwy 22 has decreased. This is a rural residential area. This is not only affecting people along this stretch, but the animals as well. There are deer, raccoons, wild turkeys, and other animals that wander onto the highway. On any given trip you can see a variety of carcasses along the road. I have also been awakened to the sound of blasting semi-truck horns only to see deer (sometime injured) racing across residential lawns.

The recent Hwy 22 Corridor Open House held in Kasota, was very much appreciated. Keeping in mind the previous concerns current residents along Hwy 22 face, I would like to express the following:

- Creating a "CONCEPT F" Extend Hwy 12 past the Mankato Airport to create a new four-lane expressway/highway all the way to St Peter.
  - Highway 22 is a rural residential highway with many subdivisions and residential homes.
     Trying to turn it into a major throughway, especially with the level of increased traffic projected, would be
    - Very disruptive to the MANY residents along this road.
      - Decrease in residential quality life,
      - Cost inefficient due to relocation of residence, properties, etc
    - An inefficient waste of public money for what will only be a "temporary bandage" on what will easily become a bigger problem as you again try to accommodate for growing traffic levels.
  - Concept F could be more efficiently designed to provide for a faster, safer, better use of taxpayer dollars than any temporary "fix" currently proposed for Hwy 22

### • Residential Noise Levels and Privacy Factors – Berms and Barriers

- Installation of noise barriers or berms DOES need to be considered for residential areas/subdivisions where the growing 24/7 traffic levels (especially oversized trucks) affects neighborhood standards.
- Security fencing, especially where potential trails would cross close to residential properties needs to be a priority.
- o Berms/ Barriers / Security Fencing should also be considered in regard to rural wildlife.

## Decrease Speed Limits to 45/50 mph

- Current traffic speeds (especially by oversized trucks and business commuters using Hwy 22 as a short cut) only promote unsafe conditions.
- Considerable tax payer dollars have been spent upgrading Hwy 169 for use by commercial/industrial transport and commuters. Using tax payer dollars to try to turn Hwy 22 into a similar venue would again be nothing more than a wasteful, unsafe use of tax payer's dollars. (Again, please consider a "Concept F"—Hwy 12 to St Peter for a fresh beginning and more efficient, safer, cost-effective alternative to Hwy 22!!)

I would welcome an opportunity to be contacted about any of my comments/concerns. Additionally, my offer to have early morning coffee really does stand....or any other time during the day for that matter, if you'd like to get a true feel for what we as residents along Hwy 22 currently put up with. And we know it's only going to get worse if not addressed in the planning phases of any Hwy 22 improvements.

Thank you for listening and considering these concerns and comments. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,
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June 14, 2018

RE: Highway 22 Corridor Study: St. Peter to Mankato, specifically Segment 2A.

Dear Ms. Bigham, Mr. Vogel & Mr. Vaughn,

Thank you for the opportunity to share our perspective on the future of Highway 22, St. Peter to Mankato. We have used Highway 22, Segment 1 and 2 for personal and business trips as an accessible local route for decades. In addition to driving it, we observe its traffic 24 X 7 from our Pheasant Run neighborhood on the north edge of Segment 2A. Working with you, we are hoping for a WIN WIN solution, ideally low cost high benefit.

While some parties may want all roads leading to Mankato to be Interstate Highways, we implore you to build to SRF Consulting's key finding that Highway 22 is used 95% for 'local to local travel' trips. This usage requires easy access for safety and efficiency. When deciding our road's future, both in infrastructure and character please be guided by 'local to local' primary usage and consider the following:

If Not Already Four Lanes, Hwy 22's 2024 Forecast Traffic Volume Supports Two or Three Lanes Only
Far into the future, twenty-seven years from now, SRF projects average daily trips (ADT's) on much of
Hwy 22 Segment 1 and 2 to fit two and three lane road functionality. A four lane divided roadway from
St. Peter to Mankato is not justified by the numbers plus its restrictive median would impede countless
needed local accesses. The study's higher forecasted traffic totals occur in Mankato where Hwy 22 is
already four lane divided. The State of Minnesota has limited resources. District 7 does not have the
funds it needs to maintain the current roads as it would like, build the crucial four lane safety expansion
of Hwy 14 New Ulm to Nicollet, much less build and maintain surplus lanes on Hwy 22.

In addition, where we live, **Segment 2A**, would be obliterated by the four lane expansive median divided highway concepts presented. They are the size, look and feel of an interstate highway.

## **Hwy 169 Proximity, Capabilities & Investment**

Nearby is a **High Priority Interregional Corridor with ample excess vehicle capacity**, Hwy 169. Enormous state funding has been and will be spent on that high speed volume divided highway. In **recent years**, \$55,000,000 alone was invested in Hwy 169 upgrades between St. Peter and Mankato, paralleling Hwy 22 Segments 1 and 2. To build out Hwy 22 to four lanes including speeds in excess of 55 mph would diminish taxpayers' return on Hwy 169's investment, encourage nonlocal truck traffic congestion on Hwy 22 and through Mankato while squandering scare taxpayer dollars.

### **Congestion Limited Minutes & Location**

More times than not, Hwy 22 is not busy. A few recent examples we noted while turning on to Hwy 22 the road was quiet or 'dead': 6/8/18 Friday night 8:55pm, 6/10/18 Sunday morning 9:00am, 6/11/18 Monday morning 6:00am and today 6/14/18 Thursday morning 8:30am. We have rarely waited significantly to turn on to or off of Hwy 22. The Corridor Study only found one very short, two to three mile section meeting 'considerable congestion' in the AM hour only just north of Mankato. It surprised us that the Corridor Study labels 'congestion' based on a tiny fraction of a day, two hours in a day, verse twenty-four hours? It seems wasteful to build massive road capacity to provide all potential cars instant access for 8% of each day.

### **Roadway Character**

River, bridges, quarry, winery, hills, sheep farm, crops, horses grazing, eagles flying, streams, corn stalk sales, pumpkin patches and railroad gullies represent the ambiance of Hwy 22 Segment 1 and 2 as it winds past flood plains, farms, multiple residential subdivisions, and historic homesteads. Please give us a future which preserves this flavor as we travel to St. Peter, Mankato or somewhere between. Hwy 22's road way character is an asset to capitalize on, not stamp out.

Follow the **City of Mankato's recent example**. Experiencing the **negative effects of faster higher volume traffic** roads, they replaced extensive 'one way streets' in their downtown and numerous neighborhoods, with 'two way streets', speed slowing stop signs, narrower roads, street parking, bike lanes and curb bump-outs. These positive changes have successfully enhanced the affected areas and traveling through them, allowing their ambiance to shine, cultivating a renaissance with trip flow and reduced speed designs.

At the June 12, 2018 Kasota Corridor Study Open House, I overheard an intriguing idea being discussed by other attendees. **Keep Hwy 22's St. Peter to Mankato two lane, make the speed limit 45 mph with 'No Passing Allowed' and multiple roundabouts.** Non local traffic trips may then choose nearby Hwy 169, the underutilized 65 mph divided interregional highway we continue to invest in. Although 45 mph may seem 'over the top', it reflects desire for local road access.

## **Impacted Property Value Cost & Lifetime Savings Jeopardized**

The Pheasant Run subdivision's seventeen homes 2018 estimated market value is \$5,500,000 by Blue Earth County. The Hwy 22 construction start date 2024 market value is projected to be \$9,700,000 averaging Lime Township's last three years' value increases by Blue Earth County. All homes in the small subdivision would be irreparably harmed if Hwy 22 is enlarged and moves closer to or over the first homes on Pheasant Drive and Court. The resulting amputated subdivision entrance would accurately reflect the impact to the remaining eleven homes, merely 65% of the original Pheasant Run. Property values and salability will plummet, with deficient remaining subdivision design, truncated entrance, increased truck traffic, road noise, ground vibration, air and sight pollution. Knowing most families' major asset is their home, many life savings will be jeopardized.

An expanded scope of two miles of Hwy 22, which includes Pheasant Run, runs from County 2 south to North Riverfront Drive. This short northern portion of Segment 2A has fifty-one homes with 2018 estimated market value of \$15,400,000. By construction start date **2024**, that is projected to be \$27,200,000. Huge impacted property values at risk and related state acquisition costs, plus fifty-one families jeopardized if a too big Hwy 22 solution moves forward.

## Residential Quality of Life

Perhaps worst of all, an expanded Hwy 22 in Segment 2A will kill our neighborhood's residential tranquility with the constant irritation, danger and stresses of living next to a big high speed interstate sized highway. Being in the Mankato Regional Airport flight path and vicinity of two busy railroad train lines with railroad car switching depot, we have various travel noise already.

Please do not compound our transportation burden in every way by overbuilding Hwy 22 or moving it closer to residential areas like ours. Our home is our sanctuary where we savor a little piece of heaven. Do not gut our neighborhood, financially and emotionally. Please do no harm.

### **Better Solution Options**

If updated post 2015 crash data reflecting recent extensive Hwy 22 turn lane improvements continue to indicate safety concerns, better Hwy 22 Segment 1 and 2 solution options considering need, costs and outcomes include:

- Keep Hwy 22's St. Peter to Mankato two lane, make the speed limit 45 mph with 'No Passing Allowed' and multiple roundabouts, as noted above. This provides local travel trips ample access, while allowing the area's ambiance to shine and prosper, plus utilize Hwy 169 and potentially County 12.
- 2. Build out and extend County 12 from County 2 north to St. Peter primarily through farm land, making this road Mankato's 'Eastern Bypass', just like County 90 serves as Mankato's 'Southern Bypass'. County 12 is well placed to capture Mankato's eastward growth, avoiding additional in city congestion pressure, plus it has a new high volume Hwy 14 interchange with roadways. Doing so would provide long desired infrastructure for the Mankato Regional Airport with faster metro travel times for aviation related industries, current and future. County 12 travelers would reach Hwy 169 via Hwy 99 east of St. Peter or via Hwys 19 (Shanaska Creek Rd) to 22 just southeast of St. Peter.
- Concept B Three Lane Option for Highway 22, utilizing extensive roundabouts, minimizing residential and homestead encroachment, using advanced sound quieting techniques and materials to avoid collateral damage.

The above better options address SRF Consulting Group's study key findings and efficiently. The Win Win we were hoping for! Reinforcing that, they are spot on to what a former Minnesota State Patrolman and MnDot employee's advised at the June 12, 2018 Kasota Open House, "Make it safer, not faster."

Thank you again Highway 22 Corridor Study Team for your time and consideration. Working together, we trust your group will identify the accurate right sized answer for Highway 22 for those of us who use it, pay for it and live by it.

Please call if you have any questions.

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Best Regards,

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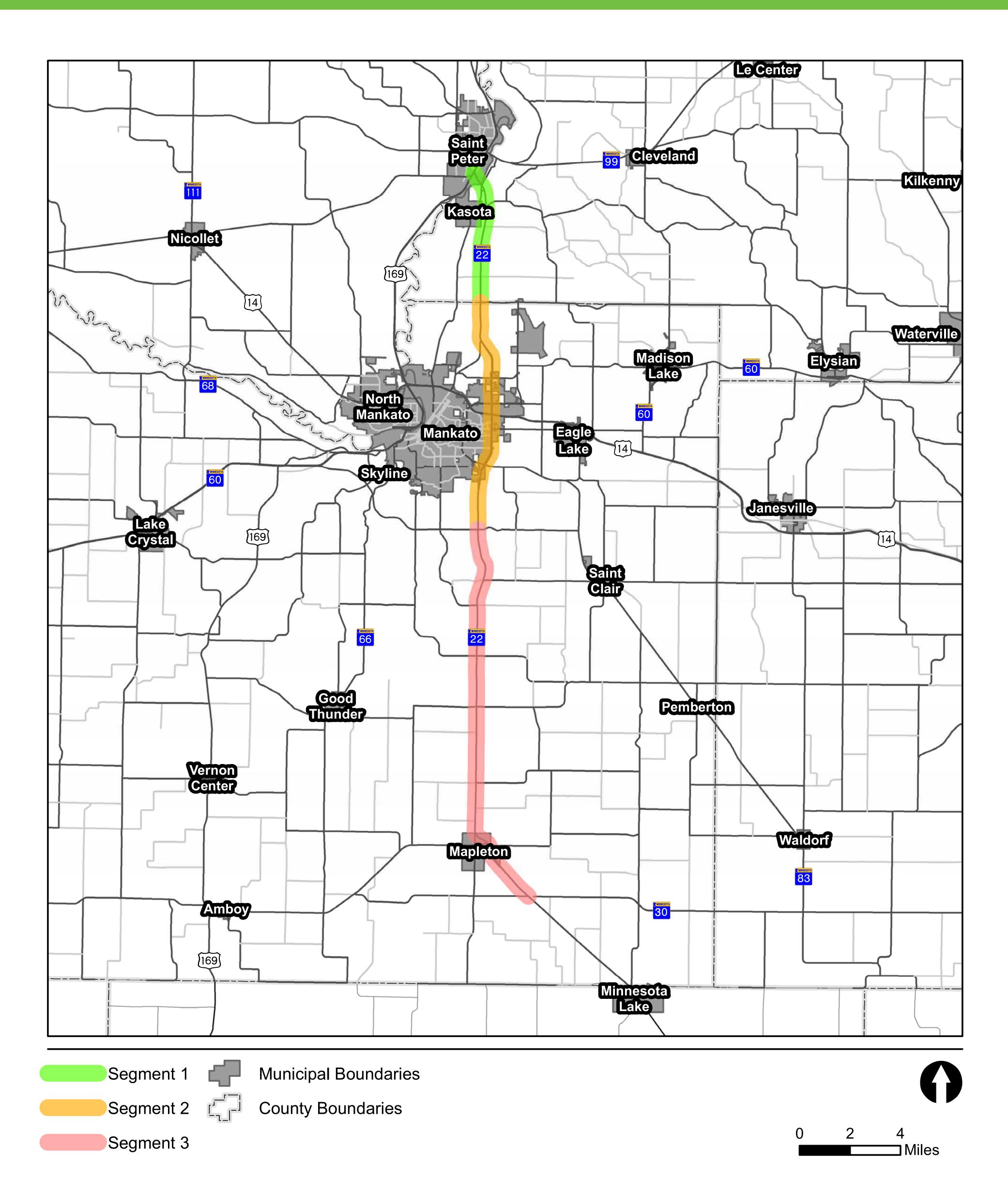


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# About the Study



The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) are conducting a Highway 22 Corridor Study from Saint Peter to Mapleton. The Study will evaluate existing and future transportation recommendations, including:

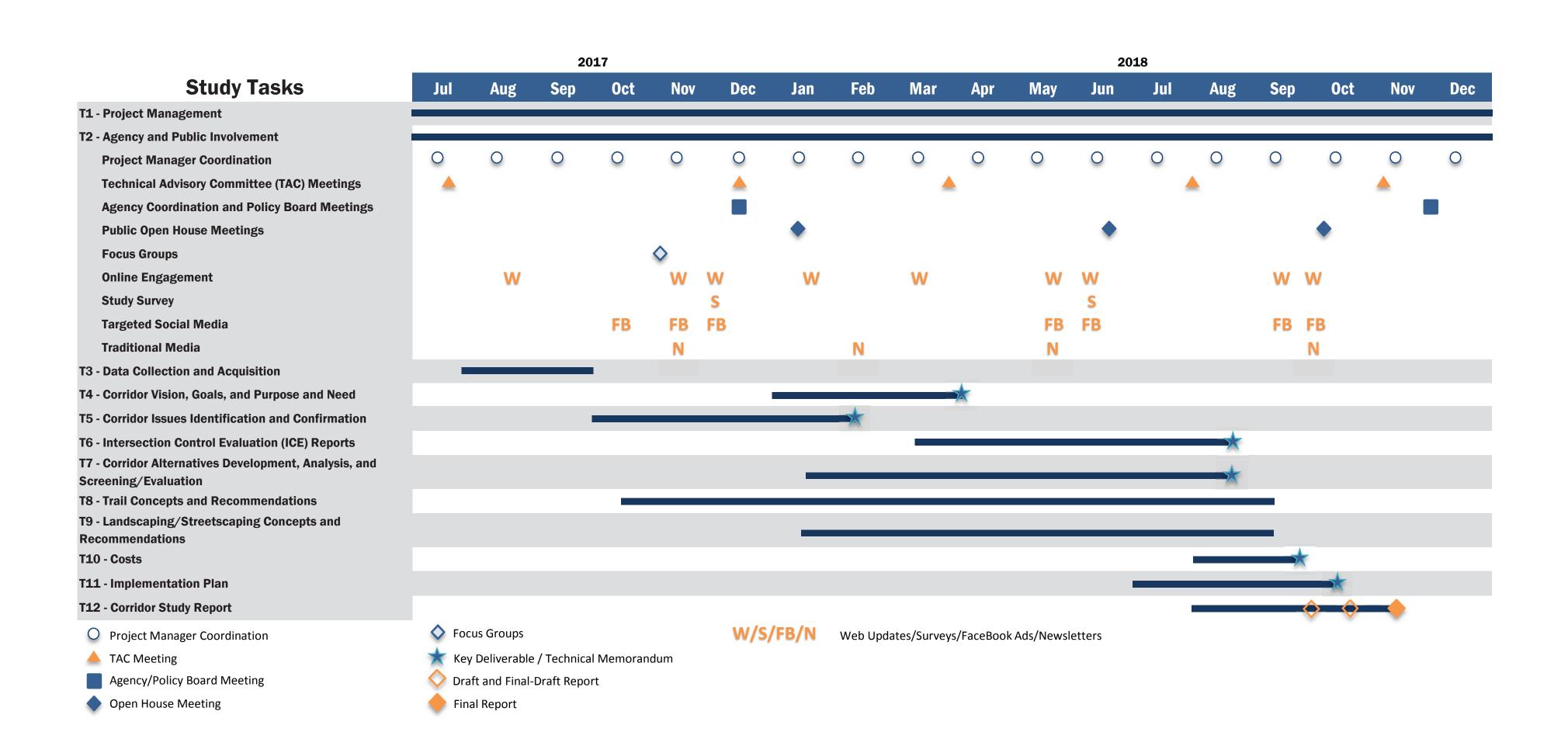
- lane configurations
- access management
- intersection control options
- alternative intersection designs
- bicycle and pedestrian connectivity
- local roadway and trail networks
- potential land use impacts and opportunities

# **Partners**

- MAPO
- MnDOT
- Blue Earth County
- Le Sueur County
- Kasota
- Lime Township

Mankato

- Mankato Township
- Mapleton
- Saint Peter
- Region Nine Development Commission
- MnDNR









# Three-Lane Alternative (Current Recommendation)



# Northbound Passing Lane Alternative



# Two-Lane Alternative









# Three-Lane with Trail Alternative (Current Recommendation)



# Three-Lane Alternative









Two-Lane/Three-Lane/Four-Lane Rural Alternative (Existing Lane Configuration)





# Four-Lane Rural Alternative









# Four-Lane Rural Alternative







# Continuous T at CR 57 Alternative (Current Recommendation)



# Roundabout at CR 57 Alternative









Two-Lane Rural Alternative (Existing Lane Configuration)







# Three-Lane Urban Alternative (Current Recommendation)



# Three-Lane Rural Alternative









# Segment 1 Evaluation Summary CR 2 to US 169 (in Saint Peter)

	C	orridor Functio	on	Right-of- Way		Safety				
	Reduce congestion	Increase travel speed	Reduce	Minimize property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e.turn lanes, R-cut, roundabout, passing lanes)	Improve bicycle connectivity	Improve pedestrian/bicycle comfort/safety	Public Preference	Minimize Cost	Cost
No Build (Pavement Resurfacing)										\$2,750,000
Three-Lane with Two-Lane (CR 2 to CR 101)										\$7,220,000
Three-Lane										\$10,080,000
Three-Lane with Northbound Passing Lane (CR 2 to CR 101)										\$10,080,000
Three-Lane with Two-Lane (CR 2 to CR 101) with Trail										\$7,520,000
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Three-Lane with Northbound Passing Lane (CR 2 to CR 101) with Trail										\$10,380,000
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# Segment 2 Evaluation Summary CR 90 to CR 2

	Corridor	Function		Right-of- Way	Safety						
Reduce congestion	Increase travel speed	Reduce	Improve corridor aesthetics	Minimize property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e.turn lanes, R-cut, roundabout, passing lanes)	Increase greenspace between roadway and trail/sidewalk	Improve pedestrian crossing safety by reducing crossing distance	Improve pedestrian/ bicycle comfort/ safety	Public Preference	Minimize Cost	Cost
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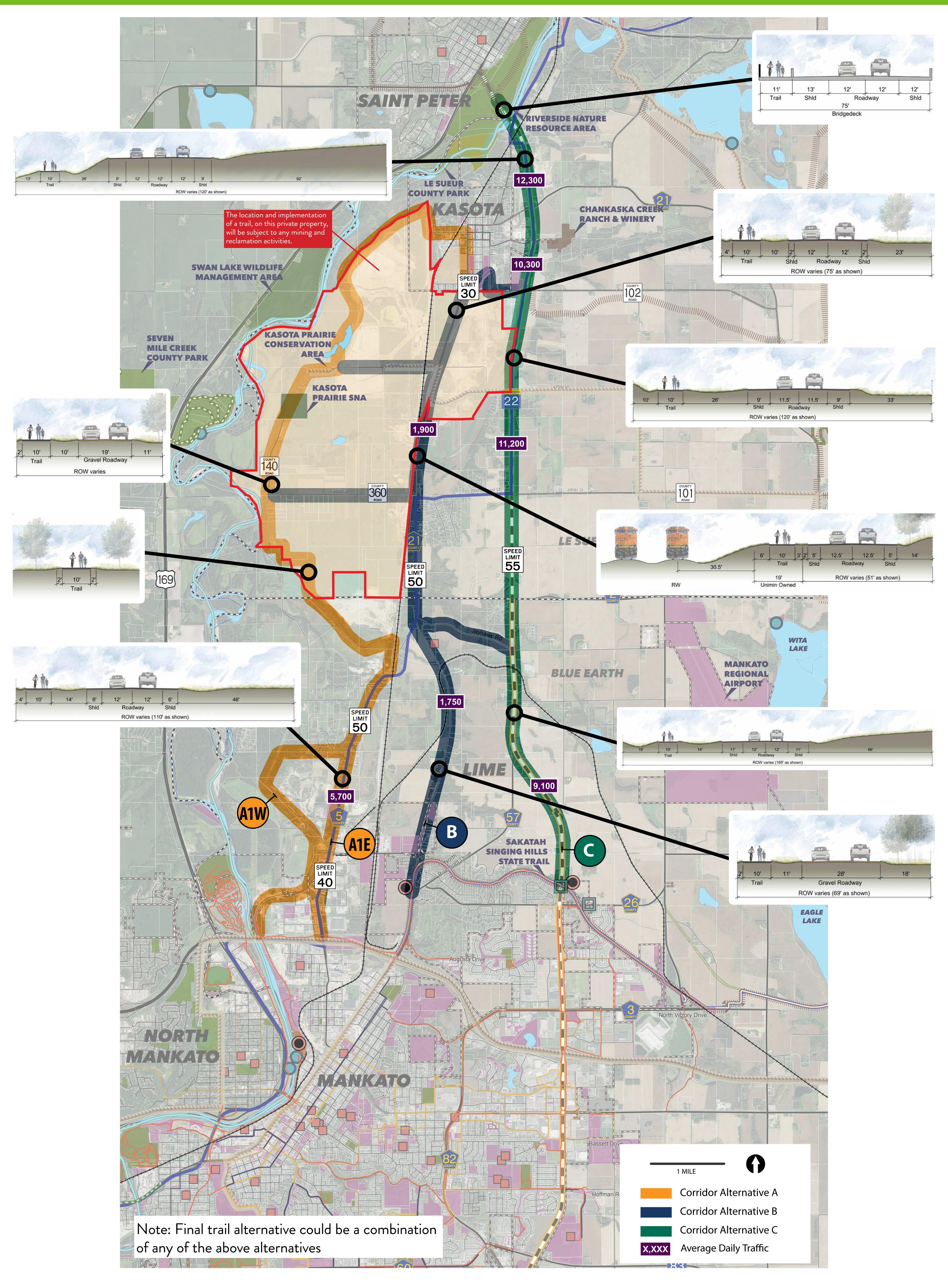
	Corridor Function			Right-of- Way		Safety				
	Potential for reduction in speeds	Improve business (i.e. provide turn lanes)	Improve corridor aesthetics	Minimize property impacts	Improve intersection safety (i.e. turn lanes)	Improve bicycle connectivity	Improve pedestrian/ bicycle comfort/ safety	Public Preference	Minimize Cost	Cost
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# Minnesota River State Trail Corridor Alternatives

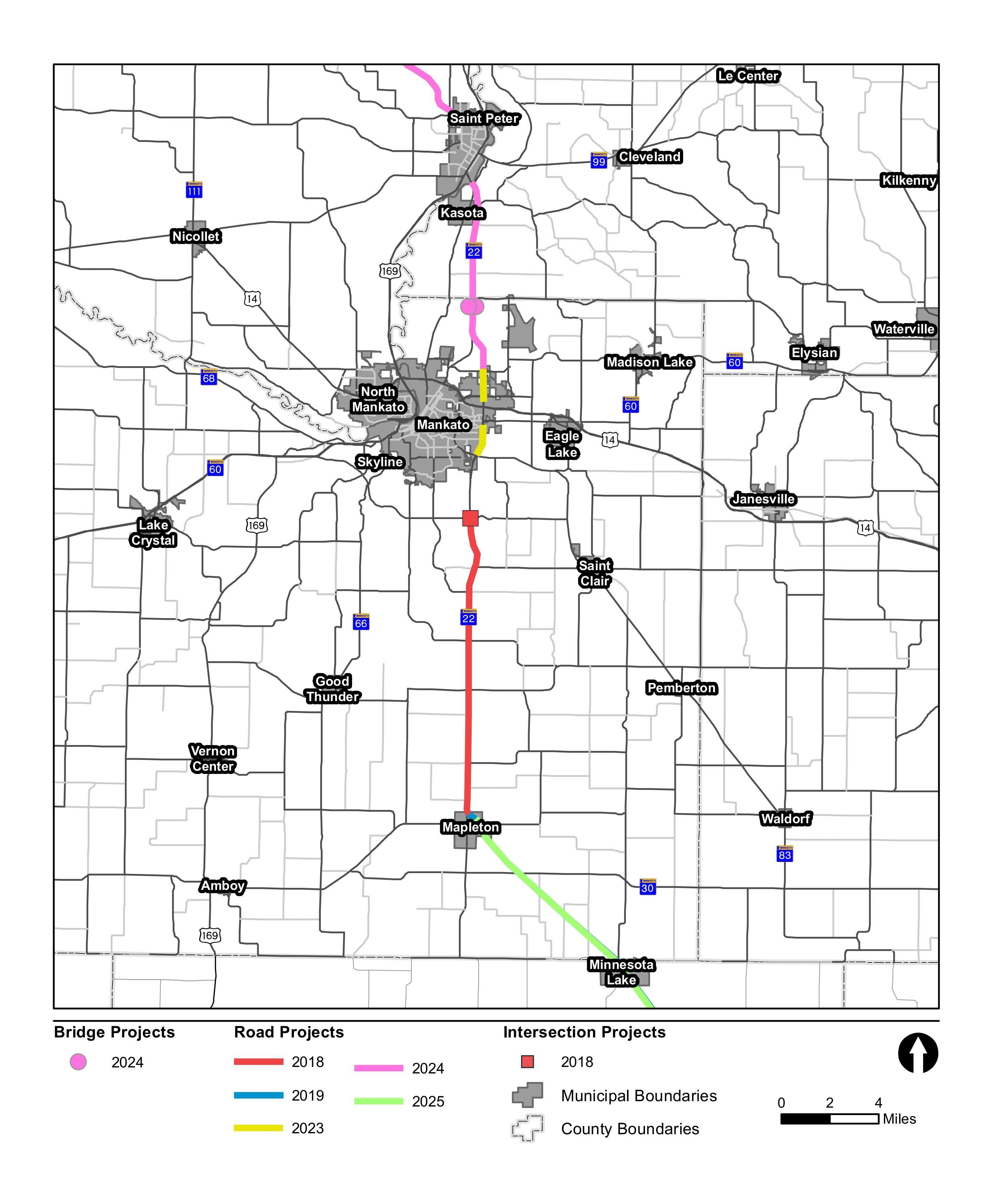








# MnDOT District 7 – Current and Future Projects











## **Open House 3**

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

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Address 115 000 211 1 cooperate
Email/Phone: gnasharon 718 @ gmail.com
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NOTE: Deadline for mailed comments is Friday, October 26, 2018.  to how fast traffic is actally going.  No Riversont
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Address: 104 Nicklaus Path	
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NOTE: Deadline for mailed comments is Friday, October 26, 2018.

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# **Open House 3**

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Doug Haeder
Address: Mankato
Email/Phone:
Comments: I appreciate the effort to improve safety
on this corridor, especially Mankato to St. Pete
Great challenges.
I also appreciate the roundabouts over signals

NOTE: Deadline for mailed comments is Friday, October 26, 2018.



# **Open House 3**

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

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Address: 101 pteasant DQ.
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**Open House 3** 

Please provide your input on the information and boards presented at the open house.

Name: Art Keith Address: 100 Palmer Path

Email/Phone: 345-6687

Comments:



# **Open House 3**

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Address: 110 Phersint Drive
Email/Phone:
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