



**Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization
Policy Board**

September 3, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Intergovernmental Center

Council Chamber

10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes – June 4, 2026
- IV. New Business
 1. Motion to adopt draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.
 2. Motion to adopt draft 2027-2028 Unified Planning Work Program.
 3. Motion to adopt amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.
- V. Presentations
 1. Highway 14 Corridor Study – Angie Bersaw.
 2. Highway Expansion Project Emissions and Offsets – Anna Pierce.
- VI. Other Business, Discussion & Updates
 1. Informational: 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Modification.
 2. Informational: Update on 2026 Statewide Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Conference.
 3. Informational: Second Quarter 2026 Report
- VII. Unapproved August 20, 2026 MAPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes (informational)
- VIII. Policy Board Comments
- IX. Adjournment
 1. Next meeting scheduled for November 5, 2026

Policy Board Meeting Minutes



June 4, 2026 6:00 p.m.	Council Chambers	Intergovernmental Center 10 Civic Center Plaza Mankato, MN 56001
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A regular meeting of the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization Policy Board was held on Thursday, June 4, 2026, at 6:00 pm., in the Council Chambers of the Intergovernmental Center.

A quorum existed with the following members present: John Whittington – City of Eagle Lake, Jack Kolars – Nicollet County, Mark Piepho – Blue Earth County, Daniel Rotchadl - MAPO Townships, James Whitlock – City of North Mankato, Mark Piepho – Blue Earth County, Mike Laven City of Mankato (Chair).

Others Present: Mark Konz (Executive Director) Shawn Schloesser (Associate Director Transportation Planning Services), Chris Talamantez (Transportation Planner), and Vance Stuehrenberg – Blue Earth County.

I. Call to Order

Chair Mike Laven called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dan Rotchadl moved to approve the agenda. Motion was adopted after debate.

III. Approval of Minutes February 5, 2026

The minutes of the February 5, 2026, meeting were approved as read.

IV. New Business

4.1. Motion to elect MAPO Policy Board Chair and Vice Chair.

Chair Laven called for nominations from the floor for Policy Board Chair. Dan Rotchadl was nominated from the floor and seeing no other nominations; Dan Rotchadl was acclaimed Policy Board Chair.

Chair Laven called for nominations from the floor for Policy Board Vice Chair. Jack Kolars was nominated from the floor and seeing no other nominations; Jack Kolars was acclaimed Policy Board Vice Chair.

4.2. Motion to release draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program for 30-day public comment period.

Chris Talamantez provided a summary of the required public comment period and future engagement.

Jack Kolars moved to approve the release of the draft TIP for 30-day public comment period. Motion was adopted after debate.

V. Other Business, Discussion & Updates

Staff provided an update on the Other Business items.

VI. Policy Board Comments

Jack Kolars thanked Mike Laven for his leadership as former Policy Board Chair, members joined in the sentiment.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Chair Dan Rotchadl



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Motion to adopt 2027-2030
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
No: 4.1

Agenda Item: Motion to adopt 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Recommendation Action(s): At their August 20, 2026 meeting the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the MAPO Policy Board adopt the draft 2027-2030 TIP

Summary: At their June 4, 2026, meeting the MAPO Policy Board voted to release the draft 2027-2030 MAPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for a 30-day public comment period. During that time MAPO staff coordinated with local agencies and stakeholders to advertise the draft TIP. In person events included an open house on July 21 in the Mankato Council Chamber. Public notice was published in the Mankato Free Press, and through MAPO's social media channel and stakeholder email list. Copies of the draft TIP were available at the Blue Earth Library in Mankato and Taylor Library in North Mankato, or by contacting MAPO staff.

MAPO's activities related to the public notice and public involvement satisfy the Program of Projects requirements of the Federal Transit Administration and MAPO's public participation plan.

This item was reviewed by the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee at their August 20, 2026 meeting and recommended the MAPO Policy Board adopt the draft 2027-2030 TIP pending final comments from MnDOT.

Attachments:

1. Draft 2027-2030 MAPO Transportation Improvement Program
2. Resolution adopting 2027-2030 TIP

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2027 - 2030

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)



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**RESOLUTION OF THE MANKATO /NORTH MANKATO AREA PLANNING
ORGANIZATION ADOPTING THE 2027-2030 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM & SELF-CERTIFICATION FINDING**

WHEREAS, the Mankato /North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was created as the MPO for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area through a joint powers Agreement between all local units of government located within the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is the metropolitan planning body responsible for performing transportation planning in conformance with State and Federal regulation for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation requires the development of a Transportation Improvement Program by a Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, staff and the Technical Advisory Committee has developed and recommended for approval the Transportation Improvement Program for State Fiscal Years 2027-2030; and

WHEREAS, the representation on the Technical Advisory Committee consists of those agencies initiating the recommended projects and have the authority to execute them; and

WHEREAS, the projects are adopted from and consistent with the Minnesota Department of Transportation State Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the projects are consistent with the MAPO's 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 23 CFR 450.336(a) MAPO hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process addresses major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- 23 U.S.C 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- In non-attainment and maintenance areas, Section 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clear Air Act as Amended (42 U.S.C 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- Title VI of the Civic Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- Sections of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the US DOT funded projects;
- 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;

- The provisions of the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37 and 38;
- The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender, and
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization Policy Board approves the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution presented to and adopted by the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization at a duly authorized meeting thereof, held on the third (3rd) day of September, 2026 as shown by the minutes of said meeting in my possession.

Dan Rotchadl - Chair

Date

Mark Konz - Executive Director

Date

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Glossary

Administrative Modification: A minor change or revision to a TIP project.

Advanced Construction (AC): A project that is scheduled for construction before federal funds are released. The project is funded in advance by local sources and paid back in a future year(s).

Allocation: A specific amount of funding that has been set aside by the state for a jurisdiction to use on transportation projects.

Amendment: A significant change to a TIP project, or addition of a TIP project to the current year.

Annual Listing of Obligated Projects: This section identifies projects which have been programmed and funding has been obligated. For example, projects are listed if they have been or will be bid or let prior the end of the current Federal Fiscal Year.

Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP): A compilation of significant surface transportation improvements scheduled for implementation within a district of the state during the next four years. MAPO's Transportation Improvement Program is part of MnDOT District 7. All projects listed in the TIP are required to be listed in the ATIP.

Arterial: A functional classification of a roadway. An arterial road or arterial thoroughfare is a high-capacity urban or rural road that provides higher travel speeds, trips of moderate lengths, with minimum interference to through movement. Arterials are further divided into principle arterial or minor arterial. Principle and minor arterials are determined by the size of the geographic area that they serve. Minor arterials may offer connectivity to principle arterials.

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): The codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

Collector: A Functional Classification of a roadway. Collectors gather traffic from Local Roads and funnel them to the arterial network. Collectors are further divided into Major Collector or Minor Collector. In general, Major Collectors provide more mobility, Minor Collectors provide more access.

Federal Functional Classification: Defines the current functioning role a road or street has in Metropolitan Planning Area network. Generally, the two basic functions of a roadway are to allow for access to property and to allow travel mobility. The classifications of roadways include Arterial, Collector, and Local. Sometimes referred to as "classification".

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): A division of the United States Department of Transportation that specializes in highway transportation. Major activities are grouped into two programs, the Federal-aid Highway Program and the Federal Lands Highway Program.

Federal Transit Administration (FTA): An agency within the United States Department of Transportation that provides financial and technical assistance to public transportation agencies.

Fund Type: In the project tables, this column identifies the source of federal revenues proposed for funding the project. The categories are abbreviated to indicate the specific federal program planned for the scheduled improvement.

Fiscal Constraint: Sufficient financial information confirming projects within this document can be implemented using committed revenue sources, assuring that the federally supported transportation system is adequately operated and maintained.

Illustrative Project: A project which does not have committed funding but is an important project for the jurisdiction to identify within the TIP.

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA): The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), was signed into law on November 15, 2021, replacing the FAST Act. This surface transportation bill authorized \$1.2 trillion for transportation and infrastructure spending with \$550 billion of that figure going toward new investments and programs.

Interstate: The highest classification of arterial and are designed and constructed for mobility and long-distance travel. This functional classification is officially designated by the Secretary of Transportation and are considered Principal Arterials.

Jurisdictions: Also referred to as “local partners” or “local agencies”. The member units of government which are within MAPO’s planning area: Blue Earth County, Nicollet County, Eagle Lake, Mankato, North Mankato, Skyline, and the townships of Belgrade, Le Ray, Lime, Mankato, and South Bend.

Local Roads: A road or street whose primary function is to provide direct access to abutting property.

Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO): the region’s federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP): A comprehensive document providing a blueprint for regional transportation priorities over the next 25 years. The MTP is developed with extensive stakeholder input including members of the public and partner agencies.

Project Prioritization: An exercise in which the MPO and member jurisdictions evaluate projects competing for federal aid within the same funding categories. The MPO then submits the prioritized candidate projects to the state to further assist in project selection.

Project Solicitation: A notice to member government units to submit applications for federally funded programs.

Public Participation Plan (PPP): Adopted by the MAPO Policy Board, this plan provides guidance on the public participation process for MAPO activities.

Regionally Significant Project: A transportation project that is on a facility that serves regional transportation needs and would normally be included in the modeling of MAPO’s transportation network. MAPO assesses these projects on a case-by-case basis.

State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP): A list of statewide surface transportation improvements scheduled over the next four years. All projects listed in the TIP are required to be included in the STIP without modification.

Transit Operator: The designated transit service operator providing public transit for the area. The transit operator for the MAPO urbanized area is the Mankato Transit System and the transit operator for the rural areas is TrueTransit.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): A compilation of significant surface transportation improvements scheduled for implementation in the MPO planning area during the next four years.

3-C Planning Process: Continuing, Comprehensive, and Cooperative. Designed to engage the public and stakeholders in establishing shared goals and a vision for the community.

Acronyms

3-C	Comprehensive, Cooperative and Continuing	PCI	Pavement Condition Index
AC	Advance Construction	PL	Public Law
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act	PM	Performance Management
ADT	Average Daily Traffic	PM1	FHWA Performance Measure Rule 1 - Safety
ATIP	Area Transportation Improvement Program	PM2	FHWA Performance Measure Rule 2 - Pavement and Bridge Condition
ATP	Area Transportation Partnership		
BF	Bond Fund	PM3	FHWA Performance Measure Rule 3 - System Performance, Freight, and CMAQ
BRRP	Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation Program	PPP	Public Participation Plan
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	PTASP	FTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	RR	Railroad
CR	County Road	RRS	Highway Rail Grade Crossing and Rail Safety
CSAH	County State Aid Highway (Minnesota)	RTAP	Rural Transit Assistance Program
D7	Minnesota Department of Transportation District 7	SF	State Fund
DOT	Department of Transportation	SGR	State of Good Repair
DTA	Dynamic Traffic Assignment	SHSP	State Strategic Highway Safety Plan
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	SMS	Safety Management Systems
ERG	Environmental Review Group	SRTS	Safe Routes to School
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration	STBG	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
FAST Act	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (2015)	STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration	STP	Surface Transportation Program
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration	TA	Transportation Alternatives (formally Transportation Alternative Program)
FTA	Federal Transit Administration	TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
FY	Fiscal Year	TAM	Transit Asset Management
HB	Highway Bridge	TAMP	Transportation Asset Management Plan (Minnesota)
IJA	Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act	TDM	Travel Demand Model
ITS	Intelligent Transportation System	TDP	Transit Development Plan
LF	Locally Funded	TERM	Transit Economic Requirements Model
LOS	Level of Service	TH	Trunk Highway (Minnesota)
LOTTR	Level of Travel Time Reliability	TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century	TMA	Transportation Management Area
MnDOT	Minnesota Department of Transportation	TSM	Transportation System Management
MPA	Metropolitan Planning Area	TTI	Travel Time Index
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization	TTTR	Truck Travel Time Reliability
MSAS	Municipal State-Aid Street	UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan	US	United States Designated Trunk Highway
NBI	National Bridge Inventory	USC	United States Code
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act	USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
NHPP	National Highway Performance Program	UZA	Urbanized Area
NHS	National Highway System	VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
NPMRDS	National Performance Management Research Data Set	YOE	Year of Expenditure
O&M	Operations and Maintenance		

Funding Sources

BR	Bridge
BRU	Bridge - Urban
BROS	Bridge Replacement - County Off-System Project
CDS	Congressionally Directed Spending
CRP	Carbon Reduction Program
CMAQ	Congestion Management Air Quality
DEMO	Demonstration Project
FTA 5307	FTA Section 5307 - Urbanized Area Formula
FTA 5310	FTA Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities
FTA 5311	FTA Section 5311 - Formula Grants for Other than Urbanized Areas
FTA 5339	FTA Section 5339 - Bus and Bus Related Facilities
HBP	Highway Bridge Program
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Program
IM	Interstate Maintenance - State Project
NHPP	National Highway Performance Program
NHPP- HBP	National Highway Performance Program Highway Bridge Program
NHPP- IM	National Highway Performance Program Interstate Maintenance
NHPP- ITS	National Highway Performance Program Intelligent Transportation Systems
NHPP- NHS	National Highway Performance Program National Highway System
NHS	National Highway System - State Project
NHS-U	National Highway System - State Urban Project
Non-NHS	Non-National Highway System
RRS	Highway/Railroad Grade Crossing Safety Program
SRTS	Safe Routes to School
STBGTA	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
STBGP-R	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program - Regional
STBGP-U	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program - Urban
TA	Transportation Alternatives
TCSP	Transportation & Community System Preservation Program
SF	State Funds
LF	Local Funds

Chapter 1: Introduction

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a multi-year program of transportation improvements for the Mankato/North Mankato Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA). Decisions about transportation investments require collaboration and cooperation between different levels of government and neighboring jurisdictions. The TIP reports how the various jurisdictions within the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) area prioritize the use of limited federal highway and transit funding. MAPO's TIP is an annual effort to coordinate multimodal transportation improvements over the next four-years.

The TIP process implements projects and advances the goals identified in MAPO's Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) by programming project funding within MAPO's area.

As the area's federally-recognized Metropolitan Planning Organization, MAPO facilitates the development of the MTP and the TIP.

About Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization

The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was established in 2012 in response to the 2010 U.S. Census, which designated the Mankato/North Mankato region as an urbanized area, requiring the formation of a metropolitan planning organization.

The Federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1973 requires the formation of an MPO for any urbanized area with a population greater than 50,000. The Act also requires, as a condition for federal transportation financial assistance, that transportation projects be based on a continuous, comprehensive, and cooperative (3-C) planning process for the Mankato\North Mankato Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA). MPOs assist member jurisdictions with prioritizing their transportation investments consistent with the long-range metropolitan transportation plan.

The core of an MPO is the urbanized area. The urbanized area is defined and initially identified by the U.S. Census Bureau during the Decennial Census update. MPOs are given the opportunity to create an adjusted urbanized area and submit to FHWA for approval. The adjusted urbanized area gives MPOs the ability to include populations or features that the census may have missed or areas that are expected for development, but must include all of the census defined urbanized area. The approved adjusted urbanized area is considered as part of MPO planning and operations. The adjusted urbanized area is separate from the census defined urbanized area and does not affect programs that use the census defined urbanized area such as transit.

The MPO boundary also includes any contiguous areas, which may become urbanized within a twenty-year forecast period, known as the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA). MAPO's planning area boundary was established in 2013 and reviewed in 2023 with the adjusted urbanized area. MAPO's planning area is approximately 131.31 square miles and includes two counties, four cities, and five townships. The MPA boundary is geographic area in which the metropolitan transportation planning process is carried out (see Map 1). The MPA is determined by agreement between the MPO and the Governor.

MAPO meets and maintains a 3-C (comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing) metropolitan transportation planning process to provide maximum service to the citizens and the region. The federal government requires federal transportation funds be spent in a way that positively impacts the metropolitan region and is developed through intergovernmental collaboration, performance-based analysis, and consensus-based decision making.

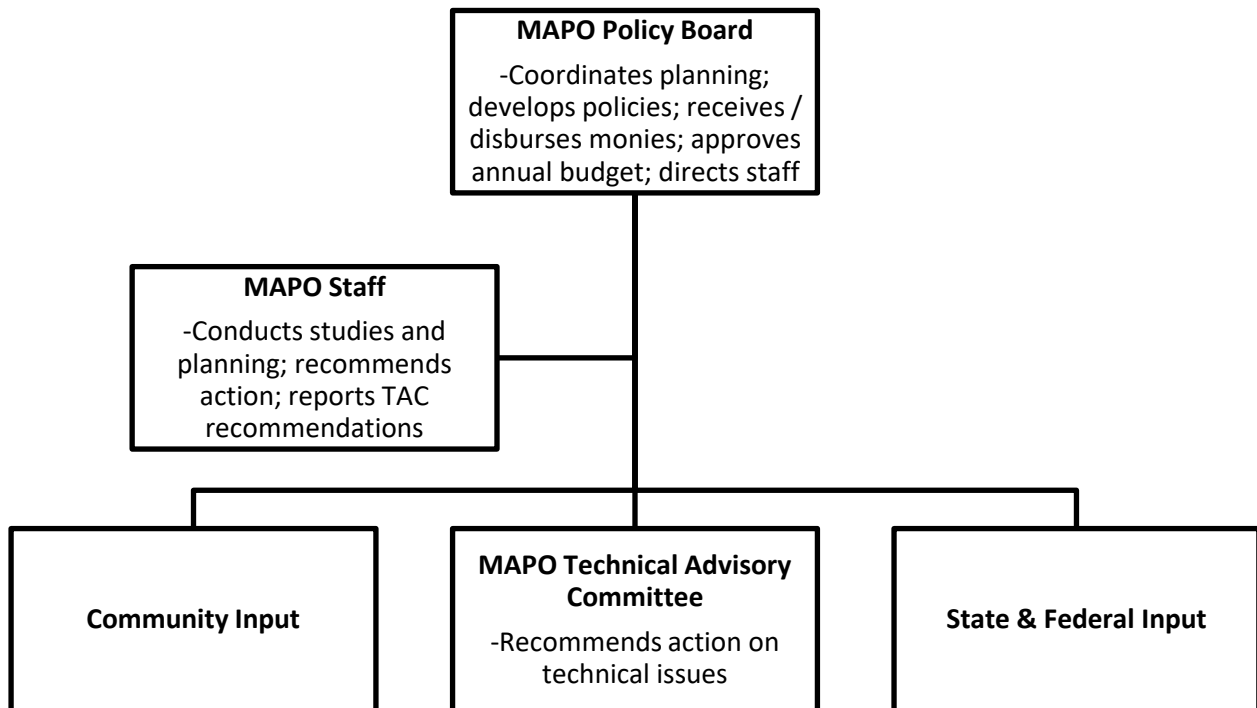
MAPO provides regional coordination and approves the use of federal transportation funds within the MPA. Responsibility for the implementation of specific transportation projects lies with the local units of government as transportation providers.

MAPO offices are located at 10 Civic Center Plaza in Mankato, Minnesota.

MAPO's official website is www.mnmapo.org and MAPO can be followed on X (Twitter) at the handle [@MinnesotaMAPO](https://twitter.com/MinnesotaMAPO).

Governance and Organizational Structure

Figure 1: MAPO Organizational Chart

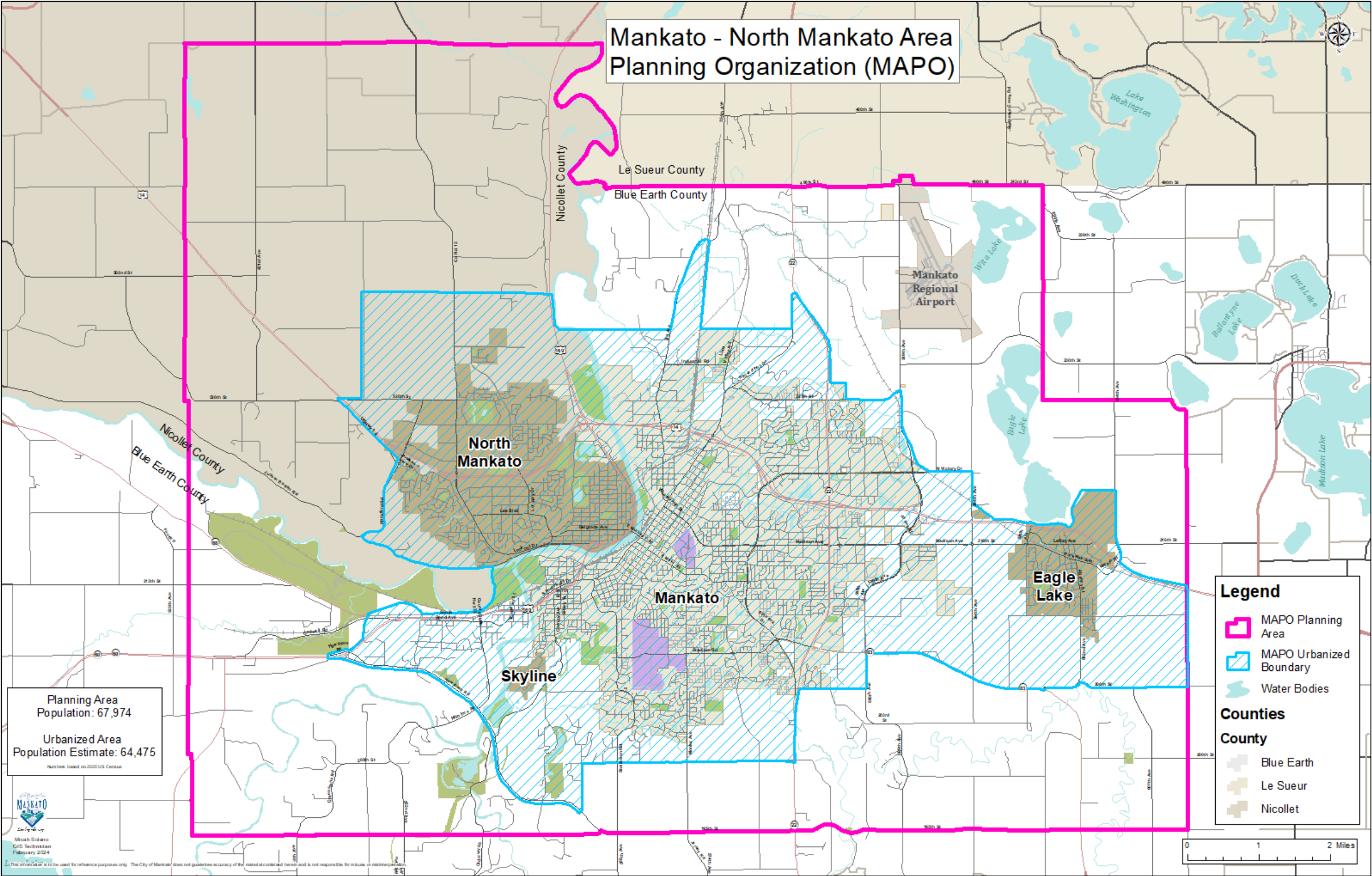


MAPO's Role in Planning Process

In the transportation planning process, MAPO's roles include:

- To maintaining a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive metropolitan transportation planning and programming process.
- To keep governmental units and the general public informed and advised on all matters relative to transportation planning, programming, and funding.
- To develop and recommend policies, official controls, and other actions which promote orderly development and multi-modal transportation consistent with MAPO planning
- To provide technical assistance to member governmental units for the development of local plans consistent with MAPO plans
- To perform other duties which may be lawfully assigned and which may be germane to MAPO planning activities.
- To assist member governmental units in obtaining grants for projects related to MAPO planning activities.
- To enter in contracts necessary for the exercise of its duties and responsibilities to govern the MAPO

Map 1: Mankato/North Mankato Metropolitan Planning Area



Planning Factors

The federal transportation bill, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) identifies ten planning factors that must be considered in the transportation planning process:

- 1) Support economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity and efficiency.
- 2) Increase safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
- 3) Increase security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
- 4) Increase accessibility and mobility of people and freight.
- 5) Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and state and local planned growth, housing, and economic development patterns.
- 6) Enhance integration and connectivity of the transportation system across and between modes, people and freight.
- 7) Promote efficient system management and operation.
- 8) Emphasize preservation of the existing transportation system.
- 9) Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate storm water impacts of surface transportation.
- 10) Enhance travel and tourism.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The TIP is a federally-mandated document that contains pedestrian, bicycle, transit, highway, and other transportation projects that are recommended for federal funding during the next four years in the MPA.

The projects included in each year's TIP are derived from the area's Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and are aimed at meeting the long-range needs of the transportation system.

Member jurisdictions apply for various federal grant funding. Projects that are awarded federal funds are required to be included in a TIP. On an annual basis MAPO staff coordinates the area's federally funded surface transportation improvements into the MAPO TIP.

The MAPO TIP includes projects located within the MAPO planning area from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) District 7, Mankato Transit System (MTS), and member jurisdictions. Local projects that are fully funded by a township, city, or county are not included in the MAPO TIP.

Projects programmed into the TIP must comply with federal regulations. Projects that are 100% funded by state and/or local funds do not need to be included in the TIP.

Projects can be amended or modified at any time during the program year by following the procedure outlined in the public participation plan. Over the course of the year, changes may be necessary to project cost, funding source, timing, or description.

The TIP identifies the process for prioritizing implementation of projects and any significant delays in the planned implementation.

Projects in the TIP represent a commitment on the part of the implementing jurisdiction or agency to complete those projects.

TIP projects programmed for the Mankato/North Mankato MPA are included, without change, in the MnDOT District 7 Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP) and the subsequent Minnesota State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

MAPO and its Technical Advisory Committee contribute to the development of the TIP, and the MAPO Policy Board reviews the TIP for approval. The TIP is approved by vote of the MAPO Policy Board following the procedure outlined in the Public Participation Plan.

Regionally Significant Projects

Due to the multijurisdictional nature of transportation, some projects located outside the MAPO planning area may have a significant effect on and within the MAPO planning area. For example, a substantial expansion or improvement of an interregional corridor passing through or nearby the MAPO planning boundary may have transformative effect on traffic patterns to and from the MAPO area, and thus qualify as regionally significant. MAPO will assess whether projects qualify as regionally significant on a case-by-case basis. In some cases, projects are conceptual and definitive cost projections are unavailable.

Federal regulations state the MPO must include regionally significant projects in their TIP, stating:

“For public information and conformity purposes, the TIP shall include all regionally significant projects proposed to be funded with Federal funds other than those administered by the FHWA or the FTA, as well as all regionally significant projects to be funded with non-Federal funds.”

Federal regulations leave the determination of “regionally significant” transportation projects to the individual MPOs. Within the MAPO area, a project is assessed for regional significance on a case-by-case basis.

Illustrative Projects

Illustrative Projects are those projects that were not included in the fiscally constrained project list due to limited funds. These projects are first to be considered if funds become available and may have a total estimated cost associated with them. Illustrative projects must also conform to the goals and priorities outlined in the LRTP. A project can be moved from the illustrative list into the fiscally constrained TIP by amendment.

Advance Construction Projects

Advanced Construction (AC) is used to maximize the area’s ability to utilize federal funds. This practice provides the project’s local agency the ability to have a project occur in one fiscal year (FY) and be reimbursed with federal funds in future year(s). When AC is used, the project’s local agency funds a portion of the project cost in the programmed FY. The project is included in future years when federal funds are available to reimburse eligible project costs.

Transportation Plans

The projects in the 2027-2030 TIP originate from the MAPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The MTP contains a list of short, mid, and long-range transportation projects, goals, and focus areas that are planned for the metropolitan area over a 20-year time frame.

Regional transportation goals and objectives are identified by the MTP. Projects listed in the TIP either come from the MTP or support the long-range goals and objectives. The MAPO MTP identifies how each project or program in the TIP will support the MAPO key performance Goal Areas:

- Access and Reliability
- Economic Vitality
- Safety
- Preservation
- Multimodal Transportation
- Coordination and Collaboration
- Education
- Environmental Conservation and Sustainability
- Funding and Implementation
- Land Use
- Security
- System Management

MAPO's MTP documents ongoing multimodal transportation planning process in the MAPO planning area. The MTP sets a regional transportation vision by identifying major long-range transportation investments. Projects contained in the TIP must first either be identified in the MTP, and/or serve the goals outlined within the MTP. Whereas the MTP provides a long-term overview of transportation needs, the TIP is focused on the near term and is the means to program federal transportation funds for projects to meet those needs.

Unified Planning Work Program

MAPO's Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) describes the transportation planning activities MAPO will undertake during the next calendar years. MAPO's UPWP spans two years, the first year is planned activities the second year is for illustrative purposes only. The UPWP documents the proposed expenditures of federal, state, and local transportation planning funds, and provides a management tool for scheduling major transportation planning activities, milestones, and products.

Public Participation Plan

MAPO's Public Participation Plan (PPP) provides guidance for MAPO's public engagement processes. MPO's are required by federal regulations to maintain and periodically update public involvement procedures. The Public Participation Plan includes procedures for public involvement during development of the MTP and TIP.

Programming

MnDOT has established eight Area Transportation Partnerships (ATPs) throughout the state to manage the programming of Federal transportation projects. Each ATPs is responsible for developing a financially constrained Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP) which is incorporated into a financially constrained STIP.

MnDOT District 7 is represented by the [South Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership](#).

MAPO develops its own TIP that is incorporated into the ATIP and subsequently, the STIP.

The TIP project solicitation and development process begins in November.

Projects meeting the minimum qualifying criteria are prioritized by the MPO's TAC into one project list. Prioritization considerations include the following:

- Economic Factors
- Health and Safety
- Access
- Project Design

Funding Sources

Projects included in this TIP will be funded by one or more of the following funding categories:

- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- Advanced Construction (AC)
- Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
- Trunk Highway (TH)
- State
- Local Funds

Legislation allows MnDOT to reserve the ability to determine which of these funding sources and how much will be used to fund any given project in the TIP. The amounts and types of funding shown in the project tables may be subject to modification.

The Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021, titled the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) continues the structure of the previous federal transportation bills. Funding sources include but are not limited to:

Bond Funds (BF)

Projects funded almost exclusively with bond funds.

Bridge Replacement Off-System (BROS)

A federally funded bridge replacement program intended to reduce the number of deficient off-system bridges within the state. This program applies to bridges under the jurisdiction of a public authority, located on a non-federal aid roadway and open to the public

Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)

Program created to fund projects that reduce carbon emissions. Eligible projects are ranked by the MnDOT ATP district or the applicable MPO.

DEMO

Congressionally Directed Spending, National Corridor Improvement Program, Projects of National & Regional Significance and all projects that have a Demo ID

Early Let Late Encumbrance (ELLE)

MnDOT's ELLE process is a tool used to manage project delivery and fluctuations in funding. This process is used on MnDOT projects only and affects both the federal and state funding targets and the State Road Construction Budget in the year of funding availability. ELLE projects are let in one state fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) and awarded (i.e., funds actually encumbered) in the following fiscal year. The advantage of ELLEs are that it allows the project to be let and awarded in advance of funding availability so that work can begin as soon as the next State Fiscal Year begins.

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

Transit funding is managed in several ways. The largest amount is distributed to the states by formula; other program funds are discretionary.

FTA transit allocations may be administered by the state or granted directly to the transit agency. Projects identified as FTA-funded in the MAPO TIP represent one of several subcategories administered by the FTA to provide either capital or operating assistance to public transit providers.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

The Highway Safety Improvement Program's goal is reducing traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads and address conditions identified in a state's Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). Funds may be used for a variety of safety improvements on any public road, publicly owned bicycle and pedestrian pathways, or trails. The federal share is 90% (certain projects can be 100%), and up to 10% of a state's HSIP funds can be used to help fund other activities including education, enforcement and emergency medical services.

Highway Rail Grade Crossing & Rail Safety (RRS)

Railroad-highway grade crossing safety is funded under 23 USC Section 130. The current Federal participation for railroad-highway grade crossing safety improvement projects is 100 percent of the cost of warning system. Normally the local road authority will pay for roadway or sidewalk work that may be required as part of the signal installation. Limited amounts of state funds are available for minor grade crossing safety improvements.

Local Funds (LF)

Projects that are funded almost exclusively with local funds but are identified as “regionally significant” and are therefore included.

National Highway Freight Program (NHFP)

The goal of National Highway Freight Program is to improve movement of freight on the National Highway Freight Network.

National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)

The National Highway Performance Program provides support for the condition and performance of the National Highway System (NHS). NHPP includes the construction of new facilities on the NHS, and ensures that investments of Federal-aid funds in highway construction are directed to support progress toward the achievement of performance targets established in a State's asset management plan for the NHS.

State Funds (SF)

Projects that are funded almost exclusively with State Funds.

Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)

Formally known as the Surface Transportation Program (STP), the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program delivers funds designed to be flexible in their application. STBG may be used by States and localities to preserve or improve the conditions or performance of public multi-modal infrastructure, or transit capital. States and localities are responsible for a 20% share of project costs funded through the STBG program.

Transportation Alternatives (TA)

Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, the creation of facilities for pedestrians or bicyclists, environmental mitigation or habitat protection as related to highway construction or Safe Routes to School activities. States and localities are responsible for 20% match of total project cost. States may transfer up to 50% of TA funds to NHPP, STP, HSIP, CMAQ, and/or Metro Planning.

Project Solicitation, Prioritization, and Selection

MAPO, in cooperation with MnDOT and the Mankato Transit System, cooperatively implement a process for solicitation, prioritization, and selection of transportation improvements which are eligible for federal aid.

MAPO member jurisdictions and agencies that are interested in pursuing transportation projects within the Metropolitan Planning Area must follow a specific process and satisfy certain criteria.

See Chapter 2 | Project Selection for additional information.

Fiscal Constraint

The TIP is fiscally constrained by year and includes a financial analysis that demonstrates which projects are to be implemented using existing and anticipated revenue sources, while the existing transportation system is being adequately maintained and operated.

The financial analysis was developed by the MPO in cooperation with MnDOT, the Mankato Transit System, and local jurisdictions who provided the MPO with historic transportation expenditures and forecasted transportation revenue.

In developing the financial plan, the MPO considered all projects and strategies funded under Title 23, U.S.C., and the Federal Transit Act, other Federal funds, local sources, State assistance, and private participation.

A detailed look at fiscal constraint can be found in Chapter 6.

Public Involvement

The MAPO provides opportunities for the public and other interested parties to comment on the proposed TIP. Public meeting notices are published in the Mankato Free Press – the newspaper of record for the MAPO – and the TIP document is made readily available for review and comment.

The TIP public participation process is consistent with the MAPO's Public Participation Plan (PPP). The process provides stakeholders a reasonable opportunity to comment on the TIP.

Chapter 7 provides a more comprehensive look at public involvement used in TIP development.

Public comments can be found in Appendix B.

Chapter 2: TIP Projects

MAPO is responsible for developing a list of priority transportation projects for the Mankato metropolitan area for the purpose of programming funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. MAPO coordinates with local units of government, the Minnesota Department of Transportation, and the Mankato Transit System to identify area transportation priorities and produce the annual TIP. Drafting the TIP is done in conjunction with the development of a larger regional program carried out with regional partners of the Minnesota Department of Transportation District 7 Area Transportation Partnership (ATP).

As with the previous federal transportation bills the IIJA calls for the prioritization of projects on a statewide basis. The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is informed by projects developed at the local level. Projects programmed into the STIP must be reflective of the local TIPs.

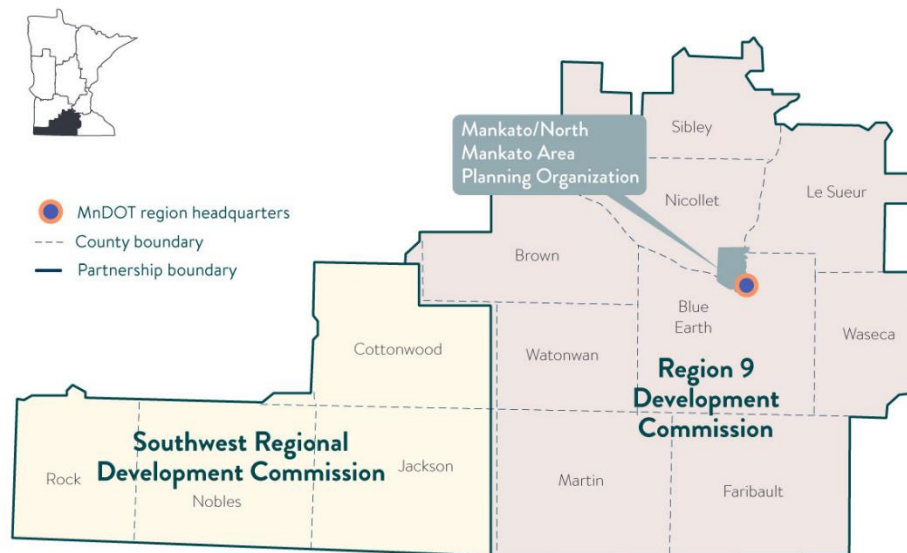
MnDOT District 7 Area Transportation Partnership (South Central ATP)

The State of Minnesota uses Area Transportation Partnerships (ATPs) for distributing federal transportation funds throughout the state. The Mankato/North Mankato Metropolitan Area is located in MnDOT's District 7 ATP (South Central ATP). The South Central ATP is made up of local elected officials, planners, engineers, modal representatives, and other agencies from MnDOT District 7 that serve the thirteen counties of Blue Earth, Brown, Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Nobles, Rock, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan counties (Figure 2).

The purpose of the ATP is to prioritize projects in the larger region for receiving federal funding. This priority list, called the Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP), is combined with the other ATIPs from throughout the state to form the STIP.

Although the South Central ATP encompasses the MAPO planning area, MAPO leads selection of projects located within the MAPO planning area through development of the MAPO TIP. South Central ATP leads project selection outside the MAPO planning area.

Figure 2: South Central ATP



Eligibility for Roadway and Transit Projects

Federal funds can be spent on any road functionally classified as a Major Collector and above for rural roadways and Minor Collector and above for urban roadways. The IIJA provides funding for roadway projects through Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding programs and transit projects through Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding programs. FHWA-funded projects can be related to maintenance, expansion, safety, or operations, as well as enhancements (bike & pedestrian improvements, scenic byways, etc.). Planning, technology and various other intermodal projects may also eligible for FHWA funds.

A portion of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding can also be “flexed” for transit improvements in order to assist transit agencies in the region to maintain their vehicle fleets.

Project Selection Process

MAPO staff work with local partners to ensure all projects included in the TIP are consistent with the goals, objectives, and priorities found in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Local partners seeking funding through the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program may meet with MAPO staff prior to applying for project funding to assist with review their Letters of Intent. After letters of intent, MAPO staff meet with the applicant to review the application and discuss any potential barriers. Following the review MAPO will make a recommendation whether or not to proceed with a full application. MAPO staff review projects that are submitted in the MAPO Planning area and provide regional significance scores to the ATP.

Project Evaluation and Prioritization

The MAPO Policy Board reviews, ranks, and approves Surface Transportation Program (STP) applications within the MAPO planning boundary. Projects seeking STP funding are scored with the below criteria:

TIP Project Scoring Criteria

Criteria	Points	Evaluation Question
a. Regional Benefit	30	What are the project's merits/benefits and intended effect upon the regional transportation network?
b. Mobility	30	How will the project improve the mobility of people and goods?
c. Planning Support	15	Is the project identified in the MAPO's Metropolitan Transportation Plan or other transportation study/document?
d. Multimodalism	10	How does the project encompass multiple modes of travel?
e. Environmental Impacts	10	How will the project respond to environmental impacts and mitigation measures?
f. Public Participation	5	What public participation has been undertaken or will take place with this project?

Projects funded through the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program / Transportation Alternatives Program

Funding eligibility for the Transportation Alternatives program (TA) includes the former Transportation Enhancements eligible projects, Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School programs. STBG/TA funds are allocated to the State DOT and then sub-allocated to the local level. MnDOT District 7 ATP has developed an application process and STBG/TA subcommittee made up of elected officials and transportation professionals that is facilitated by MnDOT District 7 staff. The selected STBG/TA projects are subject to the approval of the MnDOT District 7 ATP. Any funded TA project that is located within the MAPO planning area is included in the TIP.

Chapter 3: Performance Measures & Targets

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act instituted transportation Performance Measurement (PM) for state DOTs and MPOs. MAP-21 directed the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to develop performance measures to assess a range of factors. State DOTs and MPOs are required to establish targets for each performance measure.

The current surface transportation legislation, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) signed into law November 15, 2021, continues performance measure requirements.

MPOs may decide to adopt their own targets or choose to adopt the MnDOT set statewide targets for all national Performance Measures (PMs); PM1 (transportation safety), PM2 (pavement and bridge condition), and PM3 (system reliability). MPO's are also required to establish performance targets related to the Public Transit Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) and Transit Asset Management (TAM) plan. MPOs shall establish targets no later than 180 days after the establishment of Statewide targets. MAPO maintains resolutions supporting these targets. Support for the targets must be documented in the TIP.).

The goals of MAPO's 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) support these performance measure targets by prioritizing projects which: increase the safety of all users, preserve or maintain existing transportation infrastructure, and increase access and reliability.

Performance Measure 1: Safety

The Safety Performance Measure (PM1) incorporates five key targets:

- Number of Fatalities
- Rate of Fatalities per 100 million VMT (vehicle miles travelled)
- Number of Serious Injuries
- Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT
- Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries

Each of MnDOT's individual targets are based on a rolling average of the previous five years.

The drop-in traffic volumes associated with the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 prevented MnDOT from providing VMT data for calendar year 2020. To account for the pandemic and associated impacts on 2020 traffic data, MAPO estimated a VMT of 470,123,185 for year 2020 by averaging the proportion of VMT decrease in Blue Earth and Nicollet counties over 2019 – 2020 and applying the same proportionate decrease to the MAPO area.

Table 1: General Traffic Safety Trends by year

General Traffic Safety Trends							
	Metric	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	5-Year Trend
CRASHES	K Crashes	2	3	5	2	1	Decreasing
	A Crashes	11	15	24	17	25	Increasing*
	K+A Crashes	13	18	29	19	26	Increasing
FATALITIES	Total	2	3	5	2	2	Decreasing
	Pedestrian	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
	Bicyclist	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
	Motorcyclist	1	2	1	1	0	Decreasing
	Unbelted	0	0	1	0	0	Increasing
A INJURIES	Total	12	19	25	19	30	Increasing*
	Pedestrian	1	2	3	3	4	Increasing*
	Bicyclist	2	1	3	0	3	Increasing
	Motorcyclist	3	2	2	3	7	Increasing
	Unbelted	0	6	4	2	3	Increasing

** A 5-Year Trend with an asterisk implies a significant change (alpha=0.10); trends without an asterisk do not have enough data to rule out zero change (i.e. no change).*

Table 2: Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes by Focus Area

Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes by Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Focus Areas							
NOTE: number of crashes not people killed or seriously injured							
	SHSP Focus Area	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	5-Year Trend
BEHAVIOR	Impairment	2	7	6	5	6	Increasing
	Speed	2	4	3	2	3	Increasing
	Unbelted	0	3	5	2	2	Increasing
	Inattention	1	1	2	1	0	Decreasing
MODE	Comm. Vehicle	1	0	3	0	0	Decreasing
	Motorcycle	4	4	3	3	7	Increasing
	Pedestrian	1	2	3	3	4	Increasing*
	Bicyclist	2	1	3	0	3	Increasing
DRIVER	Unlicensed	3	3	5	3	4	Increasing
	Younger Driver	1	4	6	3	6	Increasing
	Older Driver	2	2	8	4	5	Increasing
ROADWAY	Intersection	6	11	14	12	15	Increasing*
	Run-off-Road	2	6	8	4	6	Increasing
	Head-on	2	2	4	0	2	Decreasing
	Train	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
	Work Zone	0	1	0	0	0	Decreasing

** A 5-Year Trend with an asterisk implies a significant change (alpha=0.10); trends without an asterisk do not have enough data to rule out zero change (i.e. no change).*

Crash Incidents

MnDOT's Crash Mapping Analysis Tool (MnCMAT) provides a dataset of crash incidents which occurred within the MAPO boundary over 2020 – 2024. Crashes in the MAPO area were distributed across various transportation infrastructure and municipal jurisdictions, indicating there is not any one overriding transportation improvement which can resolve the majority of crashes. MAPO will continue to partner with local jurisdictions to prioritize safety for all modes toward making the MAPO area a safe place to travel.

Table 3: Statewide Safety Performance Measure Targets

Performance Metric	Baseline (2020-2024 average)	2026 Target
Number of fatalities	442.4	352.4
Fatality rate (per 100M vehicle miles traveled)	0.780	0.582
Number of serious injuries	1,854.0	1,463.4
Serious injury rate (per 100M vehicle miles traveled)	3.264	2.470
Number of non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries	303.6	258.4

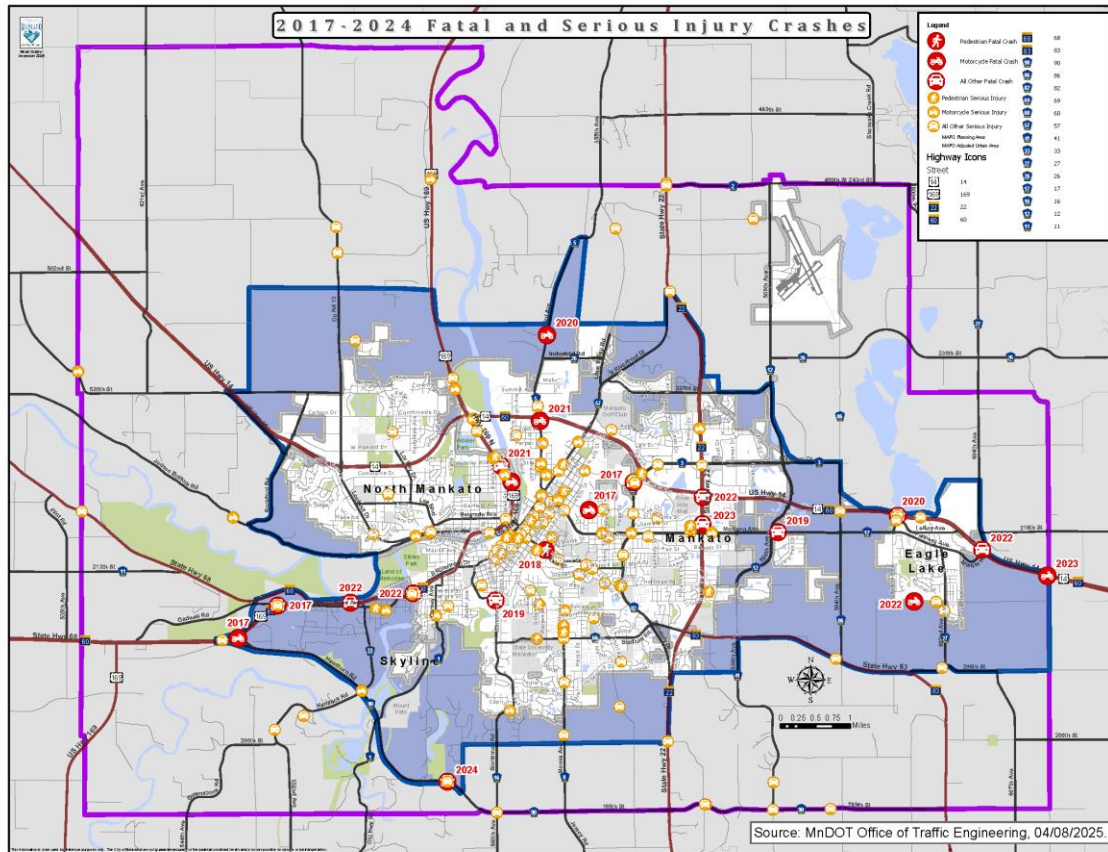
MAPO prioritizes safety in studies, plans, and policies, and when scoring applications and making project recommendations.

In 2025 MAPO resolved to support MnDOT's calendar year 2026 PM1 (Safety) targets, because MnDOT's targets are in line with MAPO's goals.

The goals of MAPO's 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) support these performance measure areas by prioritizing projects which: increase the safety of all users of the MAPO's transportation system, preserve and maintain the existing transportation infrastructure, and increase access and reliability for users.

Projects currently programmed in the TIP supporting PM1 targets include: 137-010-021, reconstruction of US 169 and 137-090-007 reconstruct Minnesota River Trail.

Map2: MAPO Planning Area Crash Locations



Performance Measure 2: Bridge and Pavement Condition

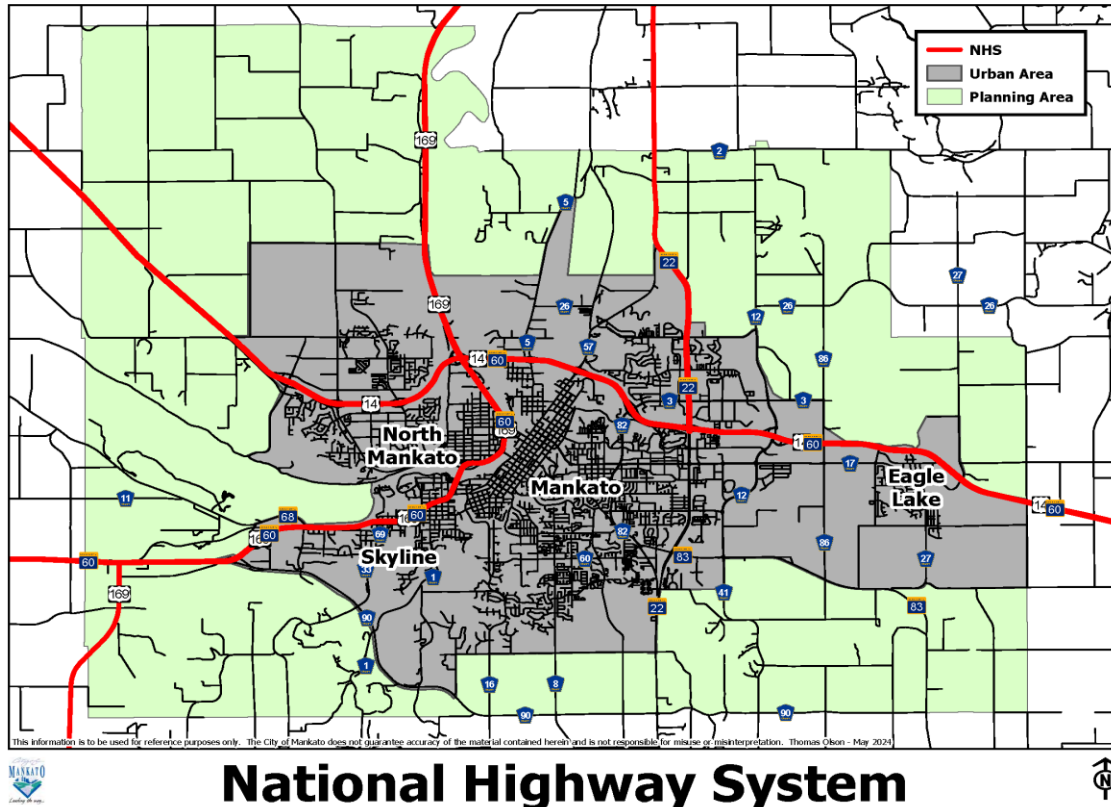
Performance Measure 2 applies to the National Highway System (NHS). There are three segments of the NHS located within the MAPO planning area: US 169, US 14, and TH 22 north of US 14 (see map 3). Because these targets are limited to the NHS, there will be years when the MAPO TIP does not have any projects programmed contributing to PM2.

The Pavement Condition Performance Measure (PM2) incorporates six key targets:

- Percentage of NHS Bridges in Good Condition
- Percentage of NHS Bridges in Poor Condition
- Percentage of Interstate Pavement in Good Condition
- Percentage of Interstate Pavement in Poor Condition
- Percentage of Non-Interstate NHS Pavement in Good Condition
- Percentage of Non-Interstate NHS Pavement in Poor Condition

Two and four-year targets are established at the beginning of the performance period every four years. States report on performance every two years. These six performance measures are broken into two categories; bridge condition and pavement condition.

Map 3: NHS routes within MAPO planning boundary



Bridge Condition

Each bridge on the NHS system is assessed annually and the score is entered into the National Bridge Inventory (NBI). Each bridge is given an overall rating based on the lowest score of the bridge's deck, superstructure, and substructure. The scores are based on the following ranges:

- Good 7-9
- Fair 5-6
- Poor 0-4

In October 2024, MnDOT established revised two and four-year targets for the performance period of 2022-2025. MnDOT's ability to inspect the bridges has improved, and as a result of the better data, we now have a better understanding of bridge conditions in the MAPO area. The bridges that are in poor condition are predominantly along the Highway 14 corridor. The Highway 14 bridge over Highway 169, over the Minnesota river, and over Riverfront Drive are all considered to be in poor condition. Bridges in fair condition do not appear in the PM2 targets. 73.56% of bridges in the MAPO area are considered in fair condition. Projects included in the TIP that will Address bridge Condition include 137-152-002, rehab of Veterans Memorial Bridge and 0713-81 Rehab North Star Bridge.

Pavement Condition

Each pavement segment is assessed annually by its jurisdiction. Pavement Condition Targets are set every four years, with the option to update them every two. The jurisdictions assess each roadway segment based on a variety of factors to calculate the overall pavement condition. Then those assessments are combined to produce a standard Pavement Condition Index (PCI). The following are PCI ratings and their associated range of scores:

- Excellent 86-100
- Good 71-85
- Fair 56-70
- Poor 0-55

The region is currently meeting and/or exceeding the pavement condition performance targets in the MPA.

MAPO's MPA does not contain any interstate miles, so all performance measure targets that are for interstates are not required to be adopted by MAPO, as they are not applicable to the planning area.

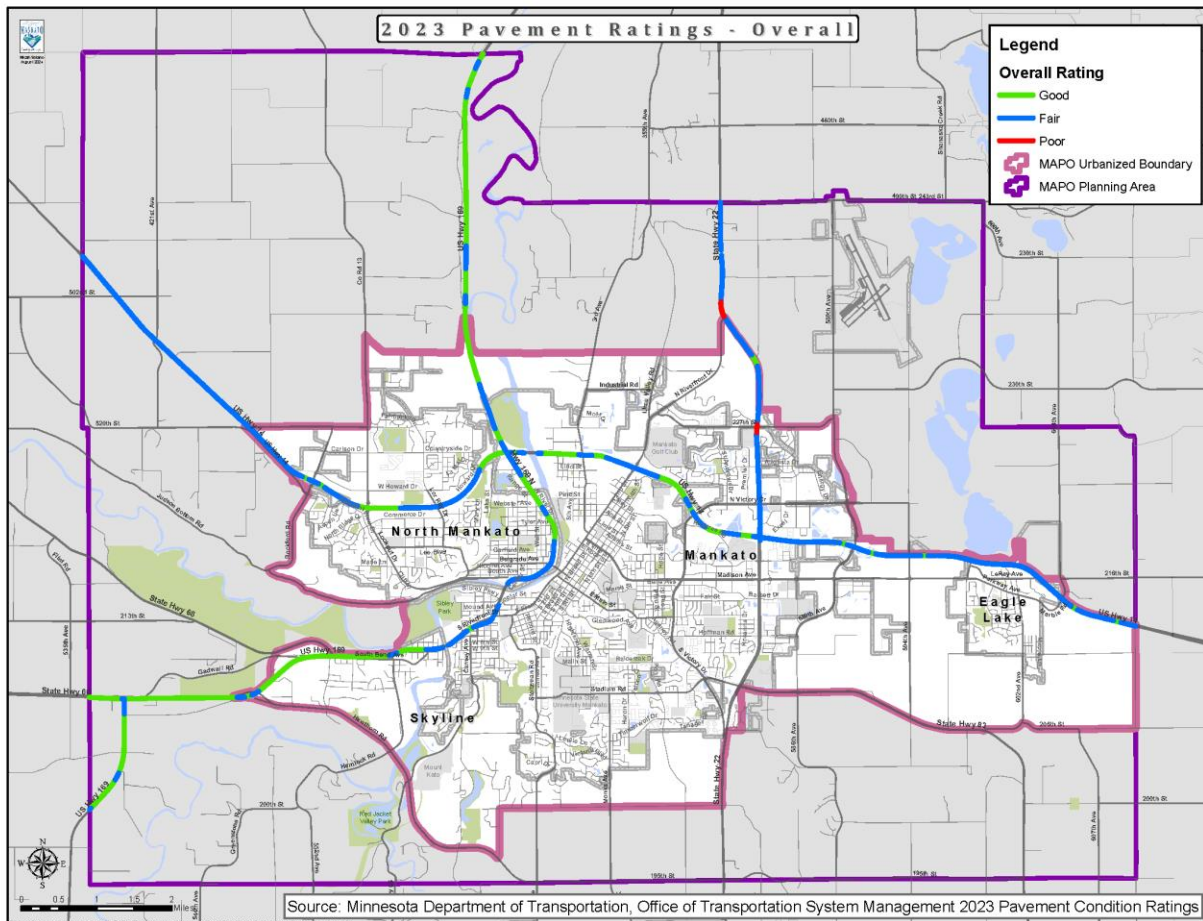
Table 4 outlines the specific infrastructure performance measures and the MnDOT targets for each measure. The MAPO Policy Board passed a resolution to support MnDOT's two and four-year non-interstate NHS pavement targets and NHS Bridge targets because they are in line with MAPO goals.

Table 4: Infrastructure Performance Measures 2023 and 2025 targets

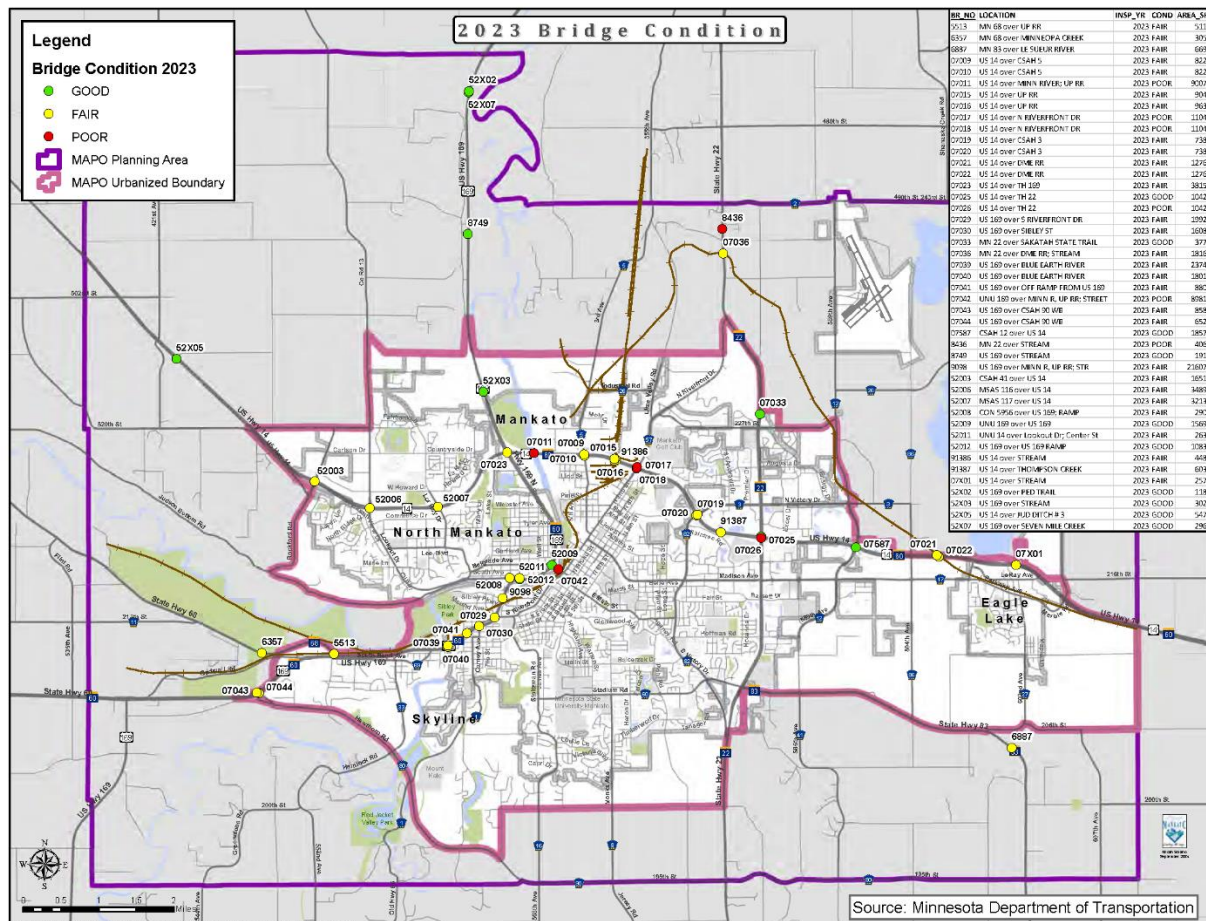
Measure	Two-Year 2023 Target	Four-Year 2025 Target
Interstate Pavements in Good Condition	60%	60%
Interstate Pavements in Poor Condition	2%	2%
Non-Interstate NHS Pavements in Good Condition	55%	55%
Non-Interstate NHS Pavements in Poor Condition	2%	40%
NHS Bridges in Good Condition	30%	35%
NHS Bridges in Poor Condition	5%	20%

Projects currently programmed in the TIP supporting PM2 targets include 5212-42 and 0713-81 reconstruction of US Highway 169.

Map 4: Pavement Condition



Map 5: Bridge Condition



Performance Measure 3: System Reliability and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ)

Performance Measure 3 applies to the National Highway System (NHS). There are three segments of the NHS located within the MAPO planning area: US 169, US 14, and TH 22 north of US 14 (see map 3). Because these targets are limited to the NHS, there will be years when the MAPO TIP does not have any projects programmed contributing to PM3.

Targets for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) are set for the Twin Cities metropolitan area and are not required to be adopted by the MAPO.

The System Reliability Performance Measure (PM3) incorporates three key targets:

- Percentage of Person Miles Traveled on the Interstate that are reliable
- Percentage of Person Miles Traveled on the Non-Interstate NHS that are reliable
- Truck Travel Time Reliability Index (limited to the Interstate System)

State DOTs are required to establish two- and four-year targets. State DOTs report on the targets biannually. The current targets were adopted in 2024 and have not been updated at the time of drafting this TIP. These three performance measures can be broken into two categories: travel time reliability and freight movement reliability. Reliability is defined by the consistency or dependability of travel times from day to day or across different times of the day.

MAPO's MPA does not contain any interstate miles, so all performance measure targets that are for interstates are not required to be adopted by MAPO, as they are not applicable to the planning area.

FHWA requires the use of the National Performance Management Research Data Set (NPMRDS) or an equivalent data source to calculate the travel reliability for each roadway segment. NPMRDS uses passive travel data (probe data) to anonymously track how people travel and at what speed the vehicle travels. The NPMRDS provides a monthly archive of probe data that includes average travel times that are reported every five minutes when data is available on the NHS.

Using the NPMRDS, the Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTTR) can be calculated for five analysis periods using the following ratio:

$$\frac{\text{Longer travel times (95}^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile of travel times)}}{\text{to}} \\ \text{Normal Travel Times (50}^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile of travel times)}$$

The analysis periods are:

- Morning weekday (6-10 a.m.).
- Midday weekday (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.).
- Afternoon weekday (4-8 p.m.).
- Weekends (6 a.m. – 8 p.m.).
- Overnights (8 p.m. – 6 a.m. all days).

Reliable segments of roadway are considered to have a ratio of 1.4 or less, whereas segments of roadway with a ratio above 1.4 are considered unreliable.

Within each segment, the day is broken into several analysis periods. These include the two peaks (AM and PM), but also midday and, depending on the measure, an overnight or weekend period as well. MnDOT then takes the “worst” performing period, and that defines the measurement used to calculate reliability. Thus, a single unreliable period throughout the day could result in the entire segment being defined as unreliable.

MnDOT provides data to MPOs regarding Non-Interstate NHS Reliability data. The overall level of reliability for the Mankato/North Mankato metro area in 2024 is 99.8%. The MAPO area has one segment of NHS that is considered unreliable, the intersection of Highway 22 and Highway 14. The unreliability has been attributed to the type of intersection control that is present

rather than to the network. This intersection will be studied in 2026 and 2027 as part of the Highway 14 Corridor Study and Intersection Control Evaluation.

Table 5 outlines the specific system reliability measures and MnDOT targets. The MAPO Policy Board passed a resolution to support MnDOT's two and four-year non-interstate NHS reliability targets.

Table 5: System Reliability Performance Measures 2023 and 2025 targets

Performance Measure	Two-Year 2023 Target	Four-Year 2025 Target
Interstate Reliability	82%	82%
Non-Interstate NHS Reliability	90%	90%
Truck Travel Time Reliability Index	1.4	1.4

Projects in the TIP supporting these goals include 5212-42 Install roundabouts on US 169.

Transit Asset Management (TAM)

Mankato Transit System reports performance targets to the National Transit Database as a Reduced Reporter, identified as operating 30 vehicles or less in maximum service across all modes and types of service for assets with capital replacement responsibility.

- Mankato must set one or more performance targets for each applicable performance measure.
- Mankato must set a performance target based on realistic expectations, and both the most recent data available and the financial resources from all sources that the provider reasonably expects will be available during the TAM plan horizon period.

On February 5, 2026, MAPO resolved to support the Mankato Transit System (MTS) Transit Asset Management (TAM) plan. MTS programs multiple projects in each year of the MAPO TIP. The transit projects consist primarily of operating and preventative maintenance for fixed-route and paratransit services, as well as bus replacements and facility enhancements.

MAPO plans and programs projects, so they contribute to the accomplishment of the MTS's transit asset management performance targets. These performance measures are supported in the TIP by project TRF-0028-27A (Transit Operating Assistance and Preventative Maintenance) which funds the use and routine maintenance of assets, including staff needed to perform operational functions. To support the Useful Life Benchmark, MTS will be programming the replacement of three Class 700 buses with MnDOT.

Performance Measures

Table 6: Mass Transit Asset Performance Measure Targets

Asset Category/Class	Total Number	*Average State of Good Repair	Below State of Good Repair	Performance Measure Target 2025	Performance 2025	Performance Measure Target 2026
General Purpose Maintenance Facility	1	4.0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vehicle Wash Facility	1	3.0	0%	0%	0%	0%
Revenue Vehicle Class 400 Buses	17	3.8	22%	42%	35%	5%
Revenue Vehicle Class 700 Buses	13	3.3	29%	30%	31%	54%
Non Revenue/ Service Automobile	0	N/A	N/A	100%	100%	100%
Other Rubber Tire Vehicles	6	N/A	N/A	34%	50%	50%

*5 = Excellent / 1 = Poor

Facilities – Percentage of facilities by type with a condition rating expected to rate below 3.0 on the FTA Transit Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale, see Table 6.

Were the Performance Measures for the previous year met? Yes.

Have the Performance Measures changed since last year? No.

Transit facilities were built in 2016 and need attention to maintain their State of Good Repair. Mass Transit plans to recondition the existing solar array located on the roof of the General-Purpose Maintenance Facility and replace the Makeup Air Units Exhaust which play a critical role in modern Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning systems.

- TRF-0028-27E Solar Array Reconditioning
- TRF-0028-27I Makeup Air Units (MAU) Exhaust Replacement.

Revenue Vehicles – Based upon the percentage of total dedicated, active revenue vehicles with capital responsibility within a particular asset class that are expected to meet or exceed their Useful Life Benchmark.

Were the Performance Measures for the previous year met? Yes, for both equipment classes.

In 2024, Central Garage noted excessive frame rust damage on the seven 2018-year group Class 400's which have exceeded their useful life age benchmark, and one met the useful life miles benchmark. Six are scheduled for replacement with the 2025 State Vehicle Replacement Schedule, delivery is expected to begin in 2026. Expedited replacement was requested with MnDOT's Program Manager.

Have the Performance Measures changed from last year? Yes, resulting in an improvement for Class 400 vehicles and a decline for Class 700 buses. In 2026, MTS expects to receive seven replacement Class 400 vehicles resulting in the average fleet age of 3.09 years. In 2026, MTS expects two replacement Class 700 buses however, seven of thirteen buses exceed the useful service life of 12-years.

Equipment – Percentage of non-revenue vehicles that are expected to meet or exceed their Useful Life Benchmark.

Were the Performance Measures for the previous year met? Yes, by design of the city and the Garage Superintendent. Equipment includes city fleet vehicles from other departments, that have already met their useful service benchmark in the appropriate department before supplementing non-revenue vehicles. This supports fiscal restraint to the transit system.

Have the Performance Measures changed from last year? No.

- Other Rubber Tire Vehicles, with a useful life benchmark of 14-years are expected to maintain their performance measure because of retired police SUV's. No use of federal funds or projects in the TIP for improvement by design of the city and Garage Superintendent.

Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)

The National Public Transportation Safety Plan requires covered public transportation providers and state DOTs to establish safety performance targets to address the safety performance measures identified in the National Public Transportation Safety Plan which can be found at the following webpage: www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/national-public-transportation-safety-plan.

On February 5, 2026, MAPO resolved to support the PTASP targets set by the Mankato Transit System. The public transportation agency is required to update the PTASP on an annual basis, but MPOs are not required to adopt PTASP targets on an annual basis. Only when a new PTASP is adopted (at least once every four years) does the MPO adopt PTASP targets. The adopted targets by both the Mankato Transit System and MAPO are below:

Table 7: Annual Safety Performance Targets

Mode of Service	Major Events	Major Event Rate	Collisions	Collision Rate	Pedestrian Collision Rate	Vehicular Collision Rate	Fatalities	Fatality Rate	Transit Worker Fatality Rate	Injuries	Injury Rate	Transit Worker Injury Rate	Assault on Transit Workers	Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	System Reliability
Fixed Route	5	1.36	5	1.36	0.27	1.09	0	0	0	3	0.81	0.54	1	0.27	10,000
Non-Fixed Route	2	1.12	4	2.23	0.56	1.67	0	0	0	4	2.23	1.12	1	0.56	10,000

MAPO chose to support the PTASP targets selected by the Mankato Transit System because the targets were in line with MAPO goals. These targets are supported by projects programmed in the current TIP, including TRF-0028-27A (Transit Operating Assistance and Preventative Maintenance).

The congressionally directed comprehensive safety program was mandated by FTA for transit agency compliance no later than December 31, 2020. Consequently, the performance targets are established without performance data to support the targets. As the data develops, MTS will adjust the targets appropriately. On April 9, 2024, FTA published the first major update to the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP) regulations resulting in a full revision.

Are the performance targets being changed from last year to this year? Yes, the targets are updated with 2024 vehicle revenue miles resulting in the events per 100,000 VRM being adjusted. Additional targets in accordance with the April 9, 2024 revision are incorporated.

Which performance targets are currently being met? The safety performance targets are being met.

Which performance targets are currently not being met? The system's Non-Fixed Route reliability targets are not being met. The fleet is operating with buses overdue for replacement.

Table 8: Annual Safety Performance

Fixed Route Performance Category	Performance Year					Annual	
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Average	Target
Major Events	2	3	4			3	5
Major Event Rate	0.604	0.935	1.085			0.875	1.36
Collisions	N/A	N/A	3			3	5
Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.814			0.814	1.36
Pedestrian Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.27
Vehicular Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.814			0.814	1.09
Fatalities	0	0	0			0	0
Fatality Rate	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	0.00
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.00
Injuries	0	2	2			1.333	3
Injury Rate	0.000	0.623	0.543			0.389	0.81
Transit Worker Injury Rate	N/A	N/A	0.543			0.543	0.54
Assaults on Transit Workers	N/A	N/A	0			0	1
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.27
Major Mechanical System Failures	33	34	39			35	N/A
Vehicle Revenue Miles	330,871	320,853	368,582			340,102	
System Reliability	10,026	9,437	9,451			9,638	10,000

Non-Fixed Route Performance Category	Performance Year					Annual	
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Average	Target
Major Events	2	1	2			2	2
Major Event Rate	1.016	0.482	1.116			0.872	1.12
Collisions	N/A	N/A	0			0	4
Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	2.23
Pedestrian Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.56
Vehicular Collision Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	1.67
Fatalities	0	0	0			0	0
Fatality Rate	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	0.00
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.00
Injuries	2	1	1			1.333	4
Injury Rate	1.016	0.482	0.558			0.686	2.23
Transit Worker Injury Rate	N/A	N/A	1.116			1.116	1.12
Assaults on Transit Workers	N/A	N/A	0			0	1
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	N/A	N/A	0.000			0.000	0.56
Major Mechanical System Failures	12	34	10			19	N/A
Vehicle Revenue Miles	196,843	207,354	179,135			194,444	
System Reliability	16,404	6,099	17,914			13,472	10,000

Summary

Per 23 CFR 450.326 (d), TIPs are required to include an explanation of how the TIP helps support achieving performance measures. This TIP is anticipated to have a positive effect on the MAPO's adopted PM1, PM2, PM3, and TAM targets. The projects selected were weighed with scoring criteria that supports PM1, PM2, and PM3 goals.

At this time, MAPO continues to support MnDOT's state Performance Measure targets without modification. As of TIP adoption, combined projected funding levels from federal, state, and local sources are adequate to meet current scheduled projects.

MAPO supports the goals of the federal performance measures (PMs) in its project selection process. Safety, efficiency, and fiscal responsibility are the core of MAPO's decision making. Since initial guidance from MnDOT and FHWA on PM reporting requirements in 2018, MAPO re-emphasized the significance of these target areas. PMs are integrated into the MAPO's project selection process and play a significant role in decision-making, priorities, and recommendations. For example, the MAPO's LRTP utilizes MAP-21's national goals as guidance for its development. MAPO's continued Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) studies, as well as the ongoing Metropolitan Transportation Plan update and Highway 14 corridor study support the PM1 target area of user safety. The ongoing corridor studies also contribute to the PM2 goals of preserving the pavement system, and PM3 goals of providing reliable transportation of people and goods.

Chapter 4: FY 2027-2030 TIP Projects

The tables that follow list all the transportation projects scheduled for federal and/or state funding in the MAPO area, as well as projects categorized as “regionally significant” by the MAPO. The corresponding maps depict the location of each project. Appendix A provides an example of how to read the TIP tables. The structure of the tables is as follows:

Route/System: Local jurisdiction responsible for the project and the route number where the project is occurring.

Project Number: Project identifier. Most trunk highway projects state with the control section numbers. Local projects state with either a county number or the city number.

Year: Year the project is programmed.

Agency: The jurisdiction responsible for implementing project or for opening bids.

Project Description: Scope of project, location, length, etc.

Miles: The length of project.

Program: Identifies if project is maintenance, reconstruction, safety improvements, etc.

Work Type: Identifies if project is primarily road, pedestrian/bike, transit-related, etc.

Fund Type: Identifies the federal funding programs intended to be the primary funding sources for the project.

STIP Total: Total anticipated cost of the project for the programmed year of the STIP. STIP total does not include AC Local funds.

FHWA: The total estimated federal aid highway funding to be used for the project. This includes advance construction conversion funding.

AC: Advanced Construction, the total estimated amount of future federal funds being committed to a project. The project is funded by local/state funds in one year and are paid back with federal funds a future year(s).

FTA: The total estimated federal aid transit funding to be used for the project

TH: “Trunk Highway,” the total estimated state trunk highway funding to be used for the project.

State: Funding coming from the State of Minnesota. Primarily as matching funds for Transit projects.

Local Share: Matching funds from the local agency.

FY 2027 Federal Funded Transportation Projects

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	FTA	TH	STATE	LOCAL SHARE
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27A	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	4,690,000	0	0	0	868,000	0	2,884,000	938,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27C	2027	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		TRANSIT	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LF	1,770,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,504,500	265,500
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27D	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; 5-YEAR TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	296,000	0	0	0	236,800	0	0	59,200
TRANIST	TRF-0028-27E	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; SOLAR ARRAY RECONDITIONING		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	50,000	0	0	0	40,000	0	0	10,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27F	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS - CONSTRUCTION		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	250,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	50,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27H	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS - DESIGN, ENGINEER, AND ADMINISTER CONSTRUCTION (2028)		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	150,000	0	0	0	120,000	0	0	30,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27I	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5307; CITY OF MANKATO; MAKEUP AIR UNITS (MAU) EXHAUST REPLACEMENT		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	600,000	0	0	0	480,000	0	0	120,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-27J	2027	MANKATO	SECT 5339: CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE THREE (3) CLASS 700 DIESEL REPLACEMENT BUS		BUS AND BUS FACILITIES (BB)	TRANSIT VEHICLE PURCHASE	FTA	2,247,000	0	0	0	1,797,600	0	0	449,400
US 169	5212-35AC	2027	MNDOT	**AC**860D, OVER MN RIVER, UP RR, AND RIVERFRONT DRIVE, REHAB BR 07042; AND 960D, OVER US169, REHAB BR 52009 (ASSOC. 5212-35N, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B, 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	0.2	BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	STBGP 5K-200K	8,164,233	0	0	8,164,233	0	0	0	0
US 169	5212-42C	2027	MNDOT	**CRP**US 169, BELGRADGE AVE TO LAKE STREET, RECONSTRUCT, MILL & OVERLAY, ROUNDABOUTS, ADA, LIGHTING AND PED/BIKE UNDERPASSES (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	CRP	614,100	500,000	0	0	0	114,100	0	0
MSAS 152	137-152-002TAC	2027	MNDOT	**AC**MSAS 152 (MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT ON VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE 07042 (ASSOC. 5212-35, 5212-35N, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	0.2	ENHANCEMENT	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	STBGTP 5K-200K	233,157	0	0	233,157	0	0	0	0
US 169	137-010-021	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2028)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGTP 5K-200K	1,153,200	0	1,295,000	0	0	0	0	1,153,200
US 169	137-010-021T	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW TRAIL	STBGTP 5K-200K	2,235,440	0	611,560	0	0	0	0	2,235,440

				010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2029)												
US 169	137-010-021C	2027	MNDOT	**CRP**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	CRP	180,000	144,000	0	0	0	0	0	36,000
US 169	137-010-021TED	2027	MNDOT	**TED**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STATE TED	1,600,000	0	0	0	0	1,600,000	0	0
US 169	150-010-005	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEBSTER AVE AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2029)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP 5K-200K	806,250	0	3,225,000	0	0	0	0	806,250
US 169	150-010-005T	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEBSTER AVE AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2029)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW TRAIL	STBGPTAP 5K-200K	592,990	0	100,760	0	0	0	0	592,990
US 169	5212-42	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, BELGRADGE TO LAKE STREET, RECONSTRUCT, MILL & OVERLAY, ROUNDABOUTS, ADA, LIGHTING AND PED/BIKE UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2028)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	NHPP	11,321,900	9,216,350	0	0	0	2,105,550	0	0
US 169	5212-42F	2027	MNDOT	**AC**SPPF**US 169, BELGRADGE AVE TO LAKE STREET, RECONSTRUCT, MILL & OVERLAY, ROUNDABOUTS, ADA, LIGHTING AND PED/BIKE UNDERPASSES (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2028)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	NHFP	2,464,554	0	10,800,000	0	0	2,464,554	0	0
CSAH 21, MN 22	4012-44AC2	2027	MNDOT	**AC**ELLE**FLEX24**MN22, INTERSECTION OF CSAH 21 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT/ROUNDABOUT; INTERSECTION OF CSAH 57 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT/CONTINUOUS TEE; FROM 500' NORTH OF CSAH 26 TO APPROXIMATELY 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57, MILL AND OVERLAY; FROM APPROXIMATELY 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57 TO MN RIVER BRIDGE IN ST PETER, RECONSTRUCT, LIGHTING, REPLACE BR 8436;	7.8	RECONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - BIT	NHPP	3,500,000	0	0	3,500,000	0	0	0	0

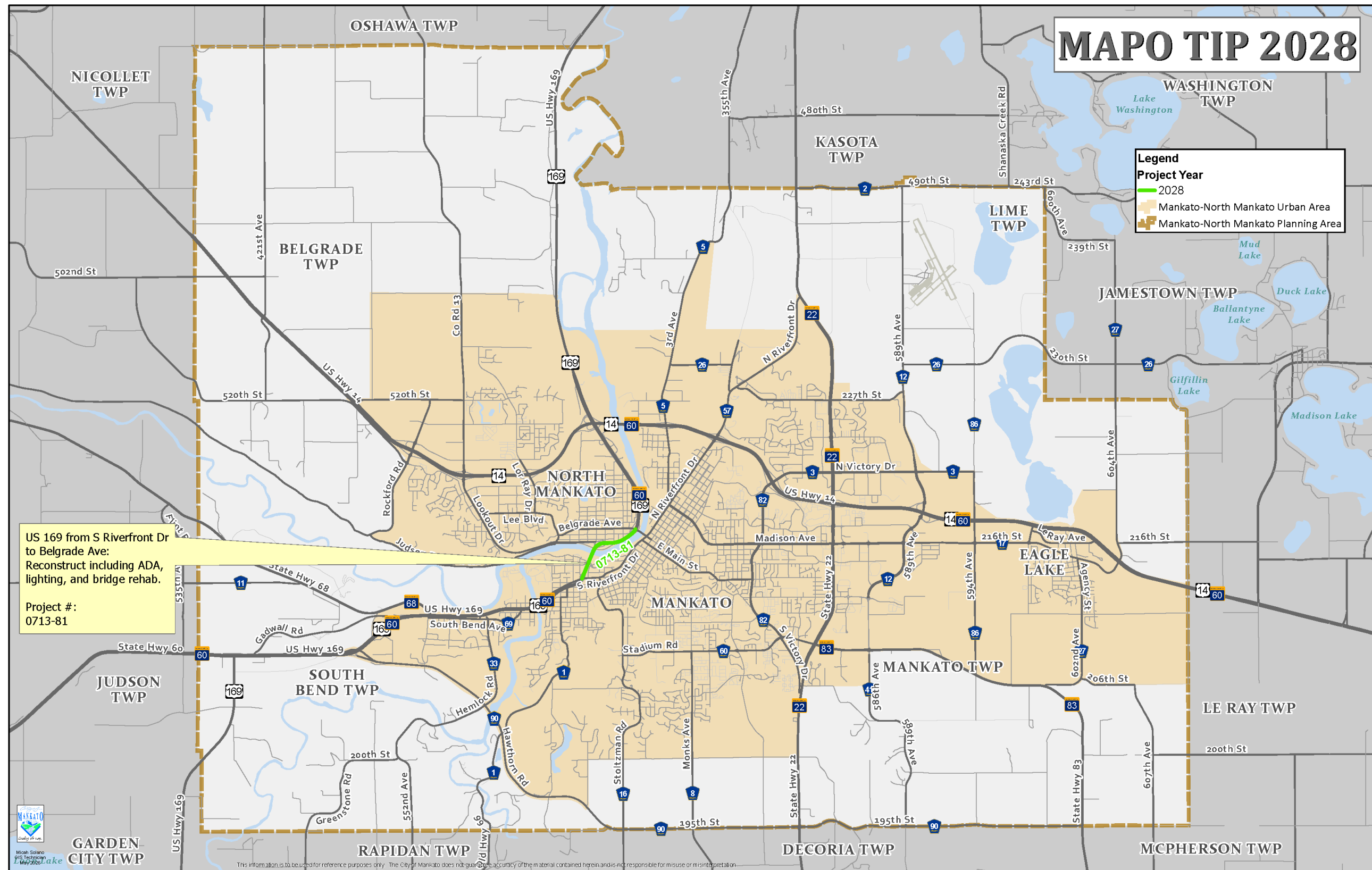
				REHAB BR 07036, 40003; EXTEND BRIDGE 40X02 AND CONSTRUCT NEW BRIDGE 40X08 (ASSOC. 040-070-007, 0714-35S, 4012-44 & 4012-44PRO) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 2 OF 2)												
MSAS 114	150-114-006AC	2027	NORTH MANKATO	**AC**MSAS 114 (BELGRADE AVE) FROM RANGE ST TO NICOLLET AVE, RECONSTRUCT FROM 4 LANE TO 3 LANE, ADA, LIGHTING, STORM SEWER, SANITARY SEWER AND WATERMAIN (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	0.1	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP 5K-200K	1,224,640	0	0	1,224,640	0	0	0	0
N/A	137-090-007	2027	MANKATO	ALONG THE MINNESOTA RIVER, FROM TH 169 TO MAIN ST, RESURFACE THE MINNESOTA RIVER TRAIL	0	ENHANCEMENT	IMPROVE EXISTING TRAIL	STBGTAP 5K-200K	843,554	674,843	0	0	0	0	0	168,711
999	8827-441	2027	MNDOT	**ELLE** DISTRICTWIDE, LIGHT REPLACEMENT	0	SAFETY CAPACITY	LIGHTING	STBGP 5K-200K	1,429,177	1,162,138	0	0	0	267,039	0	0
Total									46,416,195	11,697,331	16,032,320	13,122,030	3,742,400	6,551,243	4,388,500	6,914,691

FY 2028 Federal Funded Transportation Projects

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	FTA	TH	STATE	LOCAL SHARE
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28A	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	4,878,000	0	0	0	903,000	0	2,999,400	975,600
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28B	2028	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		TRANSIT	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LF	1,841,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,564,850	276,150
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28D	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE OF TRANSIT ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	550,000	0	0	0	440,000	0	0	110,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28E	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS - CONSTRUCTION		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	250,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	50,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28F	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; PUBLIC WORKS CENTER FUEL ISLAND RELOCATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY (USAGE COST SHARE TOTAL PROJECT COST \$200,000)		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	100,000	0	0	0	80,000	0	0	20,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28G	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS - DESIGN, ENGINEER, AND ADMINISTER CONSTRUCTION (2029)		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	150,000	0	0	0	120,000	0	0	30,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28H	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; TRANSIT AUTOMATED VEHICLE ANNOUNCEMENT SYSTEM		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	200,000	0	0	0	160,000	0	0	40,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28I	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307; CITY OF MANKATO; AUTOMATED PASSENGER COUNTER PURCHASE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	160,000	0	0	0	128,000	0	0	32,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-28M	2028	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; VEHICLE WASH SYSTEM REPLACEMENT		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	900,000	0	0	0	720,000	0	0	180,000
US 14	0702-143	2028	BLUE EARTH COUNTY	CSAH 5, FROM CLEVELAND ST TO SUMMIT AVE IN MANKATO, INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS AND ROUNDABOUTS PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING	0.5	LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	ROUNDABOUT	SF	560,000	0	0	0	0	560,000	0	0
US 169	137-010-021AC	2028	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP 5K-200K	1,295,000	0	0	1,295,000	0	0	0	0
HIGHWAY MSAS 152	137-152-002FAC	2028	MNDOT	**AC**SPPF**LONSY**860D, OVER MN RIVER, UP RR, AND RIVERFRONT DRIVE, AND ON MSAS 152 (MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, REHAB BR 07042; AND 960D, OVER US169, REHAB BR 52009, PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE (ASSOC. 5212-35N, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B, 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	0.2	BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	NHFP	3,529,628	0	0	3,529,628	0	0	0	0
HIGHWAY US 169	0713-81	2028	MNDOT	US169, FROM RIVERFRONT DRIVE TO BELGRADE AVE, RECONSTRUCT, ADA, LIGHTING, REHAB BR 52012, 9098, 07029	1.1	RECONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	NHPP	19,000,000	15,344,413	0	0	0	3,501,587	0	154,000
HIGHWAY US 169	5212-42FAC	2028	MNDOT	**AC**SPPF**US 169, BELGRADGE AVE TO LAKE STREET, RECONSTRUCT, MILL & OVERLAY, ROUNDABOUTS, ADA, LIGHTING AND PED/BIKE UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	NHFP	10,800,000	0	0	10,800,000	0	0	0	0

				021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)												
LOCAL STREETS	8807- CRPM-28	2028	MANKATO	**CRP**MAPO SETASIDES - REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS - 2028	0	ENHANCEMENT		CRP	175,000	140,000	0	0	0	0	0	35,000
Total									44,388,628	15,484,413	0	15,624,628	2,751,000	4,061,587	4,564,250	1,902,750

Map 7: 2028 projects



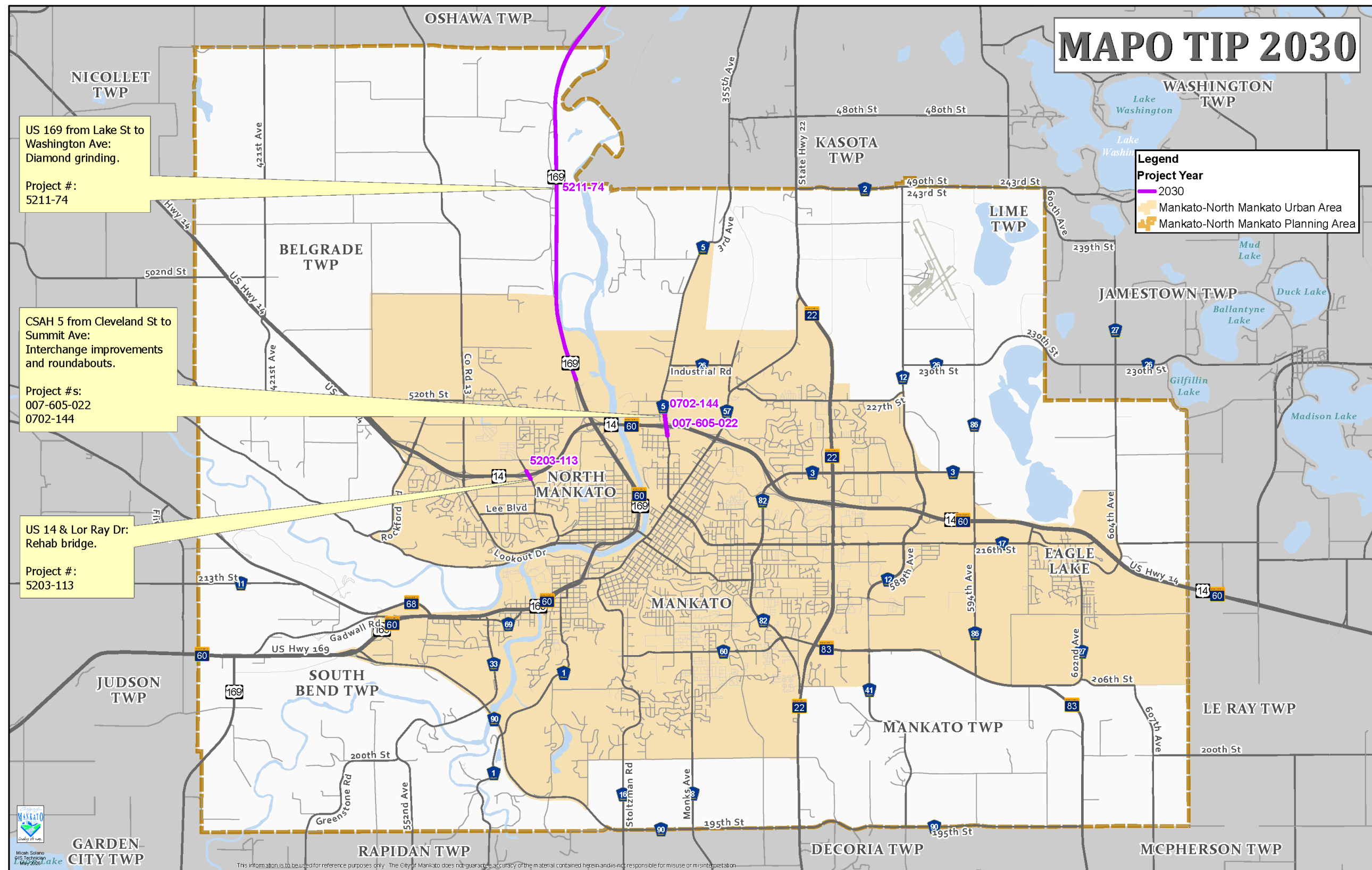
FY 2029 Federal Funded Transportation Projects

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	FTA	TH	STATE	LOCAL SHARE
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-29A	2029	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	5,073,000	0	0	0	903,000	0	3,155,400	1,014,600
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-29B	2029	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		TRANSIT	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LF	1,915,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,627,750	287,250
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-29C	2029	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS - CONSTRUCTION		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	250,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	50,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-29D	2029	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; PUBLIC WORKS CENTER FUEL ISLAND RELOCATION (USAGE COST SHARE WITH CITY TOTAL PROJECT COST \$900,000)		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	450,000	0	0	0	360,000	0	0	90,000
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-29E	2029	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; DISPATCH SCHEDULING SOFTWARE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	90,000	0	0	0	72,000	0	0	18,000
US 169	137-010-021TAC	2029	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGPTAP 5K-200K	611,560	0	0	611,560	0	0	0	0
US 169	150-010-005AC	2029	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEBSTER AVE AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP 5K-200K	3,225,000	0	0	3,225,000	0	0	0	0
US 169	150-010-005TAC	2029	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, WEBSTER AVE AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC & 150-010-005AC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGTAP 5K-200K	100,760	0	0	100,760	0	0	0	0
999	8807-CRPM-29	2029	MANKATO	**CRP**MAPO SETASIDES - REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS - 2029		ENHANCEMENT		CRP	175,000	140,000	0	0	0	0	0	35,000
Total									11,890,320	140,000	0	3,937,320	1,535,000	0	4,783,150	1,494,850

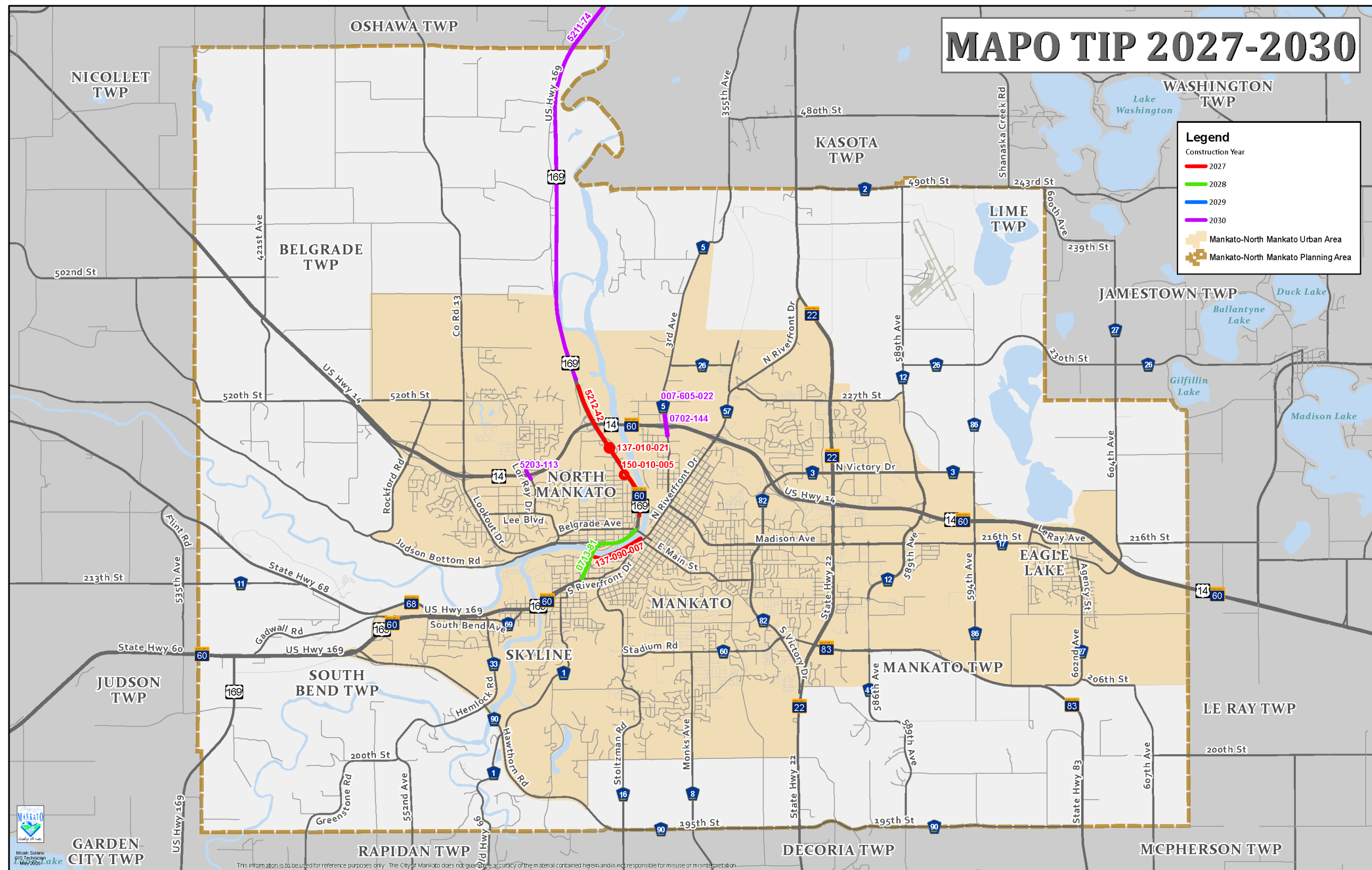
FY 2030 Federal Funded Transportation Projects

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	FTA	TH	STATE	LOCAL SHARE
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-30A	2030	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	5,276,000	0	0	0	903,000	0	3,317,800	1,055,200
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-30B	2030	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		TRANSIT	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LF	1,992,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,693,200	298,800
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-30C	2030	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; GARAGE WALL CONCRETE JOINT SEALANT REPLACEMENT		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	100,000	0	0	0	80,000	0	0	20,000
CSAH 5	007-605-022	2030	BLUE EARTH COUNTY	CSAH 5, FROM CLEVELAND ST TO SUMMIT AVE IN MANKATO, INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS AND ROUNDABOUTS (ASSOC. 0702-144)	0.5	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP 5K-200K	3,900,000	2,137,500	0	0	0	0	0	1,762,500
US 14	0702-144	2030	BLUE EARTH COUNTY	CSAH 5, FROM CLEVELAND ST TO SUMMIT AVE IN MANKATO, INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS AND ROUNDABOUTS (ASSOC. 007-605-022)	0.5	LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	ROUNDABOUT	SF	1,400,000	0	0	0	0	1,400,000	0	0
US 169	5211-74	2030	MNDOT	**ELLE**US 169, FROM 500' N LAKE STREET IN MANKATO TO 700' N OF S. WASHINGTON AVE IN SAINT PETER, DIAMOND GRINDING	8.7	RESURFACING	CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR	NHPP	6,000,000	4,885,200	0	0	0	1,114,800	0	0
LOCAL STREETS	8807-CRPM-30	2030	MANKATO	**CRP**MAPO SETASIDES - REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS - 2030		ENHANCEMENT		CRP	175,000	140,000	0	0	0	0	0	35,000
Total									18,843,000	7,162,700	0	0	983,000	2,514,800	5,011,000	3,171,500

Map 8: 2030 projects



Map 9: 2027-2030 projects



Chapter 5: Community Impact Assessment

The Community Impact Assessment is a process that evaluates the effects of transportation action on a community and the quality of life. The assessment process is part of transportation planning and project development that shapes the outcome of transportation decisions. It involves understanding the needs of communities and documenting the existing and anticipated social environment of a community with and without the proposed transportation project. The information from this process can inform decisions concerning transportation planning, project alternatives, design, and implementation. The assessment includes mobility, safety, employment effects, relocation, isolation, and other community issues.

Transportation investments have major influences on society, with significant economic and social consequences. However, these impacts have not always received the attention they deserve. The community impact assessment process highlights transportation projects that could potentially have a negative impact on the community and quality of life.

Projects assessed for community impact include;

- 1) Reconstruction of US 169 (137-010-021, 150-010-005, 5212-42).

In this case the project, following the guidance of the previous planning studies and the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, is expected to benefit, rather than adversely impact individuals and families living in the area.

Chapter 6: Financial Plan & Fiscal Constraint

As the MPO for the Mankato/North Mankato area, MAPO must demonstrate fiscal constraint when programming funding for projects in the TIP. Under 23 CFR 450.326(j), MAPO is required to include a financial plan for the projects being programmed in the TIP, as well as demonstrate the ability of its jurisdictions to fund these projects while continuing to also fund the necessary operations and maintenance of the existing transportation system. To comply with these requirements, MAPO has examined past trends regarding federal, state, and local revenue sources for transportation projects in the area in order to determine what levels of revenue can be reasonably expected over the TIP cycle. The resulting revenue estimates were then compared with the cost of the projects in the TIP, which are adjusted for inflation to represent year-of-expenditure.

Federal Funding Levels

Federally-funded transportation projects within the MAPO area are programmed regionally through MnDOT District 7 ATP process (see Chapter 2 for more information). The District 7 ATP receives a targeted amount of federal funding for the MnDOT District 7 region which is directed using state-established formulas and funding targets. Subject to flexibility, these funding targets are used during development of the TIP, the MnDOT District 7 ATIP, and the state STIP to establish a priority list of projects.

Compared to previous funding totals, the total amount of funding for 2027- 2030 continues the upward trend due to large projects being added in the MAPO area. Projects 137-010-021, 150-010-005, and 5212-42 are for reconstruction of US Highway 169, scheduled for 2027 with a total project cost of \$32 million, with additional \$21 million of advance construction paybacks in 2028. Another segment of 169 is scheduled to begin in 2028, project number 0713-81 with a total project cost of \$18.6 million.

Financial Plan

The MPO accepts the responsibility to act in the public interest to program and fund transportation projects in the Metropolitan area. The 2027-2030 TIP is fiscally constrained to those funding categories in which the MPO has direct responsibility. MnDOT projects programmed with federal funds are assumed fiscally constrained at the state level through the STIP. Local funds for federal match, operations and maintenance, and Regionally Significant projects are assumed fiscally constrained at the local level.

The MPO is required under federal legislation to develop a financial plan that considers federally funded projects and regionally significant projects. The TIP is fiscally constrained for each year, and the federal-and state-funded projects in the document can be implemented using current and proposed revenue sources based on estimates provided by local jurisdictions.

Highway Investments

Table 9 represents the MAPO area’s financial plan for funding the highway projects being programmed in the TIP. Table 9 identifies individual funding sources as specified by each of the jurisdictions to be expected and available during the next four years based on revenue forecast.

Assessment of Fiscal Constraint

MAPO has assessed the ability of the area’s highway jurisdictions to meet their financial commitments with regard to the projects being programmed in the TIP while also continuing to fund their ongoing operations and maintenance. To demonstrate fiscal constraint, project costs were compared with budget data from previous years. Project costs have been adjusted to reflect an inflation rate of 4% per year (as they are also presented in the project tables on pages 32-42) to account for the effects of inflation at the year of expenditure. The 4% rate of inflation is based on industry standards as well as the consumer price index from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Revenue estimates were held flat over this same period, as budget increases cannot be reasonably assumed at this time.

Table 9: Total Highway & Local Project Costs by Lead Agency: 2027-2030 MAPO TIP

Lead Agency	Total project cost by year (may include multiple funding agencies per project)				Expenses
	2027	2028	2029	2030	2026-2029 TIP (4-year total)
MnDOT District 7	34,295,001	34,624,628	3,937,320	6,000,000	78,856,949
Blue Earth County	-	560,000	-	5,300,000	5,860,000
Nicollet County	-	-	-	-	-
Mankato	10,896,554	9,204,000	7,953,000	7,543,000	35,596,554
North Mankato	1,224,640	-	-	-	1,224,640
Eagle Lake	-	-	-	-	-
Total	46,416,195	44,388,628	11,890,320	18,843,000	121,538,143

Source: Draft 2027 – 2030 TIP

Table 10 provides estimated funding levels by lead agency for the four-year TIP period. The sources of revenue vary by project and agency and may include local, state, and federal sources.

Table 10: Estimated Funding Revenue for TIP period

REVENUES	2027-2030
MNDOT DISTRICT 7*	\$327,400,000
BLUE EARTH COUNTY**	\$31,045,671
NICOLLET COUNTY***	NO PROJECTS IN 2027-2030 PERIOD
MANKATO****	\$141,414,060
NORTH MANKATO*****	\$46,603,212
EAGLE LAKE	NO PROJECTS IN 2027-2030 PERIOD

Source: *MnDOT D7 2027-2030 District targets, **Blue Earth County 2024 Annual Financial Report, ***Nicollet County****City of Mankato Capital Investment Plan 2022-2026, *****City of North Mankato 2026 budget.

Transit Investments

Table 11 and Table 12 represent the Mankato Transit System (MTS) financial plan for funding the transit projects listed in the TIP. The tables identify specific sources of funding that the MTS has determined to be reasonably expected and available during the next four years.

Table 11: Total Transit Costs by Project Type

Source	2027	2028	2029	2030	2027-2030 TIP (4-year total)
Operations & Maintenance	6,460,000	6,719,000	6,988,000	7,268,000	20,167,000
Bus Purchases	2,247,000	0	0	0	2,247,000
Facilities	1,296,000	2,310,000	790,000	100,000	4,396,000
TOTAL	10,003,000	9,029,000	7,778,000	7,368,000	26,810,000

* Source: Draft 2027-2030 TIP

Table 12: Estimated Transit Funding Revenue

Funding Source	2027-2030
Federal Revenue: Operating	\$3,577,000
State Revenue - Operating	\$18,746,900
Federal Capital Revenue	\$5,434,400
State Capital Revenue	\$0
Farebox & Contract Revenue	\$ 4,233,387
Total	\$31,991,687

Source: Mankato Transit System, 2026

Assessment of Fiscal Constraint

MAPO has assessed the ability of the MTS to meet their financial commitments with regards to the transit investments being programmed in the TIP while also continuing to fund their ongoing Operations & Maintenance. The costs of these investments have been adjusted to reflect an inflation rate of 3% per year. The 3% inflation rate is based on industry standard as well as the price per index (PPI). In general, revenue estimates were not adjusted for inflation, as significant budget increases cannot be reasonably assumed at this time.

Table 11 shows the MTS cost and project type for the current TIP. When compared with the estimated revenue listed in Table 12, it can be seen that there are sufficient anticipated revenues to fund anticipated costs.

Year of Expenditure

To give the public a clear picture of what can be expected (in terms of project cost) as well as to properly allocate future resources, projects beyond the first year of the TIP are adjusted for inflation. When project costs have been inflated to a level that corresponds to the expected year of project delivery this means that the project has been programmed with year of expenditure (YOE) dollars. YOE programming is required by federal law. MnDOT pre-inflates projects by 4%. Projects are inflated to YOE dollars prior to being included in the TIP. This fulfills the federal requirement to inflate project total to YOE and relieves the MPO of the responsibility to do so. Every year, projects which are carried forward in the TIP are updated to reflect the current project costs.

Operations and Maintenance

Federal regulations require that “the (TIP) financial plan shall contain system-level estimates of costs and revenue sources that are reasonably expected to be available to adequately operate and maintain Federal-aid highways...and public transportation.” 23 CFR 450.326(j).

MAPO has determined that local agencies have sufficient capacity to maintain and operate their associated transportation infrastructure. The below Revenue Trends indicate MAPO partner agencies have historically established a variety of revenue sources.

Revenue trends by agency

Revenue Trends by Agency		
Agency	2025	2026
Blue Earth County		
Property Taxes	\$47,529,899	\$51,659,812
Tax Increments	\$0	\$0
All Other Taxes	\$9,144,000	\$8,729,000
Special Assessments	\$3,999,790	\$5,301,242
Licenses and Permits	\$356,620	\$358,890
Federal Grants	\$11,194,420	\$10,898,314
State General Purpose Aid	\$5,367,636	\$5,188,233
State Categorical Aid	\$20,829,247	\$24,545,435
Other Revenue Sources	\$56,800,728	\$20,508,783
Total Revenues	\$155,222,340	\$127,189,709

Source: Minnesota State Auditor Local Government Finances Report – Counties

Revenue Trends by Agency		
Agency	2025	2026
Nicollet County		
Property Taxes	\$27,335,294	\$29,277,367
Tax Increments	\$0	\$0
All Other Taxes	\$2,754,000	\$2,808,000
Special Assessments	\$300,000	\$325,000
Licenses and Permits	\$87,037	\$80,610
Federal Grants	\$6,013,020	\$6,030,582
State General Purpose Aid	\$2,535,391	\$2,437,611
State Categorical Aid	\$10,823,798	\$11,475,399
Other Revenue Sources	\$7,503,633	\$8,627,977
Total Revenues	\$57,352,173	\$61,062,546

Source: Minnesota State Auditor Local Government Finances Report – Counties

Revenue Trends by Agency		
Agency	2025	2026
Mankato		
Property Taxes	\$24,287,296	\$25,590,000
Tax Increments	\$350,000	\$330,000
All Other Taxes	\$2,408,000	\$2,385,000
Special Assessments	\$3,375,000	\$3,006,000
Licenses and Permits	\$2,121,941	\$1,930,276
Federal Grants	\$457,891	\$452,159
State General Purpose Aid	\$8,487,451	\$8,497,593
State Categorical Aid	\$1,284,826	\$1,453,826
Other Revenue Sources	\$8,925,783	\$9,494,185
Total Revenues	\$51,698,188	\$53,139,039

Source: Minnesota State Auditor Local Government Finances Report – Cities

Revenue Trends by Agency		
Agency	2025	2026
North Mankato		
Property Taxes	\$9,631,889	\$10,286,500
Tax Increments	\$352,414	\$421,222
All Other Taxes	\$2,015,739	\$2,062,930
Special Assessments	\$255,441	\$235,688
Licenses and Permits	\$609,780	\$524,365
Federal Grants	\$10,000	\$1,230,000
State General Purpose Aid	\$2,340,276	\$2,289,542
State Categorical Aid	\$1,100,105	\$1,463,000
Other Revenue Sources	\$8,628,429	\$35,319,277
Total Revenues	\$24,944,073	\$53,832,524

Source: Minnesota State Auditor Local Government Finances Report – Cities

Chapter 7: Public Engagement

MAPO is committed to being a responsive, inclusive, and participatory agency for regional decision-making. Every year the public is given continuous opportunity to view all TIP-related materials on the MAPO website www.mnmapo.org and is encouraged to provide comment via phone, email, online comment, in person, U.S. mail, or via a physical dropbox outside of the Intergovernmental Center.

MAPO annually reaffirms its dedication to transparency and outreach in the TIP process and evaluates its public involvement efforts. The primary objective of public engagement is to promote transparency, public awareness, and open access to the planning process for all.

The formal amendment criteria established by the Public Participation plan is used to determine if significant change occurred. If significant change to the draft TIP occurs after the initial public comment period, the document will be released for another public comment period.

MAPO's public notice of public engagement activities and time established for public comment on the TIP satisfy the Program of Projects requirements of the Section 5307 Program and MAPO's public participation plan.

2027-2030 TIP Public Participation Summary

Add after public comment period.

Chapter 8: Monitoring Progress

Per Federal regulations, MAPO must submit annual updates for projects programmed in the TIP. The annual project updates allow MnDOT state-aid engineers the ability to assess project costs and project development status for federally funded projects. The project updates also allow the MAPO TAC to meet and discuss at the beginning of every year the status of currently programmed Federal projects within the MAPO Planning Area.

These status reports are intended to encourage early initiation of project development work, so unforeseen issues can be addressed without delaying project implementation. If unavoidable delays occur, project status reports provide a mechanism for the implementing agency to communicate project issues and associated delays directly to the MAPO, MnDOT, and any potentially affected local units of government.

Updates and changes from the 2025 – 2028 TIP include:

2027

- *TRF-0028-27I project added*

2028

- *TRF-0028-28H project added*
- *TRF-0028-28I project added*
- *TRF-0028-28M project added*
- *0702-143 project added*

2029

- *TRF-0028-29E project added*

2030

- *Addition of new project year*

The status of the projects programmed in the previous TIP have been updated with this TIP. Projects programmed for FY 2026, however, are presently being constructed and are dropping out of this updated TIP. The table on the following page provides a status report on those projects.

2026 Project Status

The projects listed include only programmed projects that received or will receive federal transportation funds under 23 U.S.C. or 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53. Projects funded solely with local funds are not included.

Route System	Project Number	Year	Agency	Technical Description	Program	Type of Work	Proposed Funds	STIP Total	FHWA	AC Local	AC Payback	FTA	TH	State	Local Share	Status
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-25D	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO UPGRADE BUS STOPS	BUS AND BUS FACILITIES (BB)	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	375,000	0	0	0	300,000	0	37,500	37,500	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26A	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE	URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	4,579,000	0	0	0	1,083,500	0	2,712,200	783,300	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26C	2026	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE	TRANSIT	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LOCAL NON-PAR	1,646,700	0	0	0	103,400	0	1,223,800	319,500	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26F	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5339: CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE ONE (1) CLASS 700 (29/30 FT) DIESEL REPLACEMENT BUS (Part 1)	BUS AND BUS FACILITIES - (BB)	TRANSIT VEHICLE PURCHASE	FTA	369,200	0	0	0	313,820	0	0	55,380	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26J	2026	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE TWO (2) CLASS 700 DIESEL REPLACEMENT BUS	BUS AND BUS FACILITIES (BB)	TRANSIT VEHICLE PURCHASE	FTA	1,454,000	0	0	0	1,235,900	0	0	218,100	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26K	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE ONE (1) REPLACEMENT < 30 FT BUS (Part 2)	URBANIZED AREA FORMULA SECT 5307	TRANSIT VEHICLE PURCHASE	FTA	347,800	0	0	0	278,240	0	0	69,560	In progress

TRANSIT	TRS-0028-26C	2026	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO; PURCHASE ONE (1) CLASS 400 LF GAS REPLACEMENT BUS	TRANSIT (TR)	TRANSIT VEHICLE PURCHASE	STBGP 5K-200K	321,000	256,800	0	0	0	0	32,100	32,100	In progress
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26L	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO; ARMER HANDHELD RADIO REPLACEMENT	URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (NON-VEHICLE)	FTA	56,000	0	0	0	44,800	0	0	11,200	In progress
HIGHWAY MSAS 152	137-152-002B	2026	MANKATO	**LONSYS**MSAS 152 (MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, REHABILITATION OF VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE 07042 (ASSOC. 5212-35, & 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)	BI - BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	STBGP	625,000	500,000	0	0	0	0	0	125,000	In progress
HIGHWAY MSAS 152	137-152-002	2026	MANKATO	**AC**MSAS 152(MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, REHABILITATION OF VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE 07042 (ASSOC. 5212-35, 137-152-002B, 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2027 & 2028)	BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	STBGP	450,145	0	321,635	0	0	0	0	450,145	In progress
HIGHWAY MSAS 152	137-152-002T	2026	MANKATO	**AC**MSAS 152 (MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT ON VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE 07042	ENHANCEMENT	SIDEWALK	STBGP-TA	204,297	116,806	233,157	0	0	0	0	87,491	In progress

				(ASSOC. 5212-35, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2027)												
HIGHWAY MSAS 152	137-152-002F	2026	MANKATO	**AC**SPPF** MSAS 152(MULBERRY ST) FROM TH 169 TO NORTH 2ND ST, PEDESTRIAN IMPROVMENT ON VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE 070742 (ASSOC. 5212-35 137-152-002, 137-152-002B & 137-152-002T) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN FY 2028)	BI-BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	NHFP	1,525,000	0	6,100,000	0	0	0	0	1,525,000	In progress
HIGHWAY US 169	5212-35	2026	MNDOT	**AC**860D, OVER MN RIVER, UP RR, AND RIVERFRONT DRIVE, REHAB BR 07042; AND 960D, OVER US169, REHAB BR 52009 (ASSOC.5212-35, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B, 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)(AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2027)	BI-BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	STBGP	7,661,621	3,254,689	12,100,000	0	0	3,503,932	0	903,000	In progress
HIGHWAY US 169	5212-35N	2026	MNDOT	**AC**860D, OVER MN RIVER, UP RR, AND RIVERFRONT DRIVE, REHAB BR 07042; AND 960D, OVER US169, REHAB BR 52009	BI-BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR	BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT	NHPP	428,000	348,478	0	0	0	79,522	0	0	In progress

				(ASSOC. 5212-35N, 137-152-002, 137-152-002B, 137-152-002T & 137-152-002F)												
HIGHWAY MSAS 114	150-114-006	2026	NORTH MANKATO	**AC**MSAS 114(BELGRADE AVE) FROM RANGE ST TO NICOLLET AVE, RECONSTRUCT FROM 4 LANE TO 3 LANE, ADA, LIGHTING, STORM SEWER, SANITARY SEWER AND WATERMAIN (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2027)	MC - MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBGP	571,360	0	1,224,640	0	0	0	0	571,360	In progress
US 14, MN 60	0702-140	2026	MNDOT	US 14, AT THE RIVER BRIDGE (07011) IN MANKATO, AND AT BROWN CSAH 11 (MAIN ST) AND ON MN 60 AT JACKSON CSAH 13 AND CO RD 89 IN WILDER, REPLACE LIGHTING	SAFETY CAPACITY	LIGHTING	SF	175,000	0	0	0	0	175,000	0	0	In progress
CSAH 21, MN 22,	0714-35AC	2026	MNDOT	**AC**ELLE** FLEX24**PROJECT**CRP**MN22, INTERSECTION OF CSAH 21 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /ROUNDABOUT ; INTERSECTION OF CSAH 57 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /CONTINUOUS TEE; FROM 500' NORTH OF CSAH 26 TO APPROXIMATELY 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57, MILL AND	RC - RECONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - BIT	NHPP	2,373,624	0	0	2,373,624	0	0	0	0	In Progress

				OVERLAY; FROM APPROXIMATEL Y 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57 TO MN RIVER BRIDGE IN ST PETER, RECONSTRUCT , LIGHTING, REPLACE BR 8436; REHAB BR 07036, 40003; EXTEND BRIDGE 40X02 AND CONSTRUCT NEW BRIDGE 40X08 (ASSOC. 0714- 35S, 040-070- 007 & 4012-44 & 4012-44CRP & 4012- 44PRO) (AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)													
HIGHWA Y CSAH 21, MN 22,	4012- 44AC1	2026	MNDOT	**AC**ELLE** FLEX24**MN22 , INTERSECTION OF CSAH 21 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /ROUNDAABOUT ; INTERSECTION OF CSAH 57 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /CONTINUOUS TEE; FROM 500' NORTH OF CSAH 26 TO APPROXIMATEL Y 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57, MILL AND OVERLAY; FROM APPROXIMATEL Y 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57 TO MN RIVER BRIDGE IN ST PETER, RECONSTRUCT , LIGHTING, REPLACE BR 8436; REHAB	RC - RECONSTRU CTION	NEW PAVEMENT - BIT	NHPP	9,503,338	0	0	9,503,338	0	0	0	0	0	In Progress

				BR 07036, 40003; EXTEND BRIDGE 40X02 AND CONSTRUCT NEW BRIDGE 40X08 (ASSOC. 040- 070-007, 0714-35, 0714-35S, 4012-44, 4012-44PRO & 4012-44CRP) (AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)												
HIGHWAY CSAH 21, MN 22	4012- 44CRPAC	2026	MNDOT	**AC**ELLE** FLEX24**CRP* *MN22, INTERSECTION OF CSAH 21 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /ROUNDAABOUT ; INTERSECTION OF CSAH 57 & TH 22 RECONSTRUCT /CONTINUOUS TEE; FROM 500' NORTH OF CSAH 26 TO APPROXIMATELY 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57, MILL AND OVERLAY; FROM APPROXIMATELY 1600' SOUTH OF CSAH 57 TO MN RIVER BRIDGE IN ST PETER, RECONSTRUCT , LIGHTING, REPLACE BR 8436; REHAB BR 07036, 40003; EXTEND BRIDGE 40X02 AND CONSTRUCT NEW BRIDGE 40X08 (ASSOC. 040- 070-007, 0714-35S,	RC- RECONSTRU CTION	NEW PAVEMENT - BIT	CRP	496,662	0	0	496,662	0	0	0	0	In Progress

				4012-44 & 4012-44PRO) (AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)												
PED/BIKE TRL	137-090- 006AC	2026	MANKATO	**AC**CONST RUCT TRAIL CONNECTION FOR LAND OF MEMORIES PARK - SIBLEY PARK (AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 1 OF 1)	EN- ENHANCEME NT	NEW TRAIL	STBGP-TA	96,215	0	0	96,215	0	0	0	0	In Progress
HIGHWA Y MSAS 101	137-101- 011AC2	2026	MANKATO	**AC**MSAS 101 (RIVERFRONT DRIVE) FROM MAIN ST TO LAFAYETTE ST, RECONSTRUCT , UTILITIES AND ADA (AC PROJECT, PAYBACK 2 OF 2)	RC- RECONSTRU CTION	NEW PAVEMENT - BIT, SIDEWALK S	STBGP	1,890,262	0	0	1,890,262	0	0	0	0	In Progress
US14, MN 60	0702-140	2026	MNDOT	US 14, AT THE RIVER BRIDGE (07011) IN MANKATO, AND AT BROWN CSAH 11 (MAIN ST) AND ON MN 60 AT JACKSON CSAH 13 AND CO RD 89 IN WILDER, REPLACE LIGHTING	SAFETY CAPACITY	LIGHTING	SF	175,000	0	0	0	0	175,000	0	0	In Progress
PED/BIKE TRL	007-090- 008	2026	EAGLE LAKE	ALONG CSAH 27 & 211TH ST. FROM BLACE AVE TO MAPLE LANE, CONSTRUCT PED/BIKE TRAIL AND ADA (ASSOC. 007-090-006)	EN- ENHANCEME NT	NEW TRAIL	STBGP-TA	682,978	475,982	0	0	0	0	0	206,996	In Progress
999	137-080- 005	2026	TRANSIT	**CRP**CITY OF MANKATO BUS STOP IMPROVEMENT S - DESIGN AND	SAFETY CAPACITY	SIGNING	CRP	137,500	110,000	0	0	0	0	0	27,500	In progress

				ENGINEERING PLAN (2027)												
999	007-596- 003	2026	BLUE EARTH COUNTY	**CRP**BLUE EARTH COUNTY PURCHASE TWO (2) EV VEHICLES	ENHANCEME NT	EV & CHARGING INFRA	CRP	150,000	120,000	0	0	0	0	0	30,000	In Progress

Appendix A: Reading the TIP

The route or funding area in which the project is associated

The TIP/ATIP/STIP number

The project's lead implementing agency

Project funding source

Intent of the project

Total cost of the project relative to federal funding to be used in year of letting. This includes advance construction (AC) funding. It does not include original advance construction funding

Total estimated Federal aid highway funding to be used for the project. Includes advance construction funding

Payback through STIP of front-ended funds committed locally

Estimated funding other than FHWA, FTA, or State TH to be used, including local funds, private contributions, and special legislative appropriations

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	FTA	TH	STATE	LOCAL SHARE
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26A	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO RR TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	3,936,220	0	0	0	574,788	0	2,574,188	787,244
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26B	2026	MANKATO	SECT 5307: CITY OF MANKATO RR TRANSIT PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE		URBANIZED AREA FORMULA - SECT 5307	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	FTA	113,300	0	0	0	63,865	0	26,775	22,660
TRANSIT	TRF-0028-26C	2026	MANKATO	CITY OF MANKATO PARATRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE		TRANSIT (TR)	TRANSIT OPERATIONS	LOCAL NON-PAR	1,350,353	0	0	0	0	0	1,147,800	202,553

Program:

Categories included are in the following tables.

Program	Description
AM	Municipal Agreement
BI	Bridge Improvement
BR	Bridge Replacement
BT	Bike Trail (not an enhancement)
CA	Consultant Agreement
DA	Detour Agreement
DR	Drainage
EN	Enhancement (STBGP)

Program	Description
EN	Enhancement (STBGP)
FB	Ferry Boat Program
FL	Federal Lands Access Program
IR	Indian Reservation Roads
JT	Jurisdictional Transfer
MA	Miscellaneous Agreements
MC	Major Construction
NO	Noise Walls
PL	Planning
PM	Preventive Maintenance
RB	Rest Area/Beautification

Program	Description
RC	Reconstruction
RD	Recondition
RS	Resurfacing
RT	Recreational Trail (DNR only)
RW	Right of Way Acquisition
RX	Road Repair (Bridge and Road Construction) (BARC)
SA	Supplemental Agreement/ Cost Overruns
SC	Safety Capacity
SH	Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Program	Description
SR	Safety Railroads
TA	Non-Traditional Transportation Alternatives
TM	Transportation Management
TR	Transit (FHWA)
B3	FTA Capital Program— Section 5309
B9	FTA Urbanized Area Formula—Section 5307
BB	Bus and Bus Facilities
GR	FTA—State of Good Repair—Section 5337
NB	FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities—Section 5310
OB	FTA Non-Urbanized Areas—Section 5311 & Section 5311(f)

Appendix B: Public Notice

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Publish: July 7, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 7th day of July, 2026, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) has released the area's draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for 30-day public comment period. MAPO's public notice of public involvement activities and time established for public review and comment on the TIP satisfy the Program of Projects requirements of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Program.

The public is encouraged to review the draft and provide comment via email, phone, online on the MAPO website, hand-deliver to Mankato 311 staff, or by U.S. mail to the Intergovernmental Center, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, 56001.

Public comment period and online information will be available from July 7, 2026 to August 7, 2026 at **www.mnmapo.org/tip**.

MAPO will hold an in-person open house on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 from 4 – 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Intergovernmental Center, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato.

To view or download an electronic copy or request a paper copy of the draft TIP, or to ask questions, visit **www.mnmapo.org/tip**, call (507) 387-8389, or by mail to MAPO, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001.

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Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization

Appendix D: MnDOT Checklist



Minnesota MPO TIP Checklist

MPO: Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO)

Contact name: Mark Konz, 507-387-8611

TIP time period: 2027-2030

The table below identifies information that should be covered in your TIP as required by 23 CFR 450. Complete the requested information as applicable.

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR)	Key Content of Rule	Review Guidance	Included in TIP?	If yes, which page(s)?
450.316(a)	Public involvement	MPO followed its public participation plan for the TIP process which includes, but is not limited to: adequate public notice, reasonable opportunity for public comment, use of visualization, available online, and explicit consideration and response to public input.	Yes / No	52 and Appendix B
450.316(b)	Consultation	TIP process includes consultation with other planning organizations and stakeholders, including tribes and federal land management agencies.	Yes / No	12-15
450.322(b)	Congestion management	TMA's TIP reflects multimodal measures / strategies from congestion management process	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(a)	Cooperation with State and public transit operators	TIP developed in cooperation with the State (DOT) and (any) public transit operators.	Yes / No	12-15
450.326 (a)	TIP time period	TIP covers at least 4 years.	Yes / No	31-43
450.326(a)	MPO approval of TIP	Signed copy of the resolution is included.	Yes / No	iii – iv
450.326(a)	MPO conformity determination	If a nonattainment/maintenance area, a conformity determination was made and included in the TIP.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(b)	Reasonable opportunity for public comment	TIP identifies options provided for public review / comment, documentation of meetings, notices, TIP published on-line, other document availability, accommodations, etc.	Yes / No	52 and Appendix B
450.326(b)	TIP public meeting	TMA's process provided at least one formal public meeting.	Yes / No / NA	

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Regulatory Citation (23 CFR)	Key Content of Rule	Review Guidance	Included in TIP?	If yes, which page(s)?
450.326(c)	Performance targets	TIP designed to make progress toward achieving established performance targets.	Yes No	16-30
450.326(d)	Performance targets	TIP describes anticipated effect of the TIP toward achieving performance targets identified in the MTP, linking investment priorities to those performance targets	Yes No	16-30
450.326(e)	Types of projects included in TIP	TIP includes capital and non-capital surface transportation projects within the metropolitan planning area proposed for funding under 23 USC or 49 USC chapter 53.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(f)	Regionally significant projects	TIP lists all regionally significant projects requiring FHWA or FTA action, regardless of funding source.	Yes No	6
450.326(g)(1)	Individual project information	TIP includes sufficient scope description (type, termini, length, etc.).	Yes No	31-45
450.326(g)(2)	Individual project information	TIP includes estimated total cost (including costs that extend beyond the 4 years of the TIP).	Yes No	31-45
450.326(g)(4)	Individual project information	TIP identifies recipient / responsible agency(s).	Yes No	31-45
450.326(g)(5)	Individual project information	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, TIP identifies projects identifies as TCMs from SIP.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(g)(6)	Individual project information	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, project information provides sufficient detail for air quality analysis.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(g)(7)	Individual project information	TIP identifies projects that will implement ADA paratransit or key station plans.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(h)	Small projects	TIP identifies small projects by function or geographic area or work type	Yes No	31-45
450.326(h)	Small projects	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, small project classification is consistent with exempt category for EPA conformity requirements.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(i)	Consistency with approved plans	Each project is consistent with the MPO's approved transportation plan.	Yes No	7
450.326(j)	Financial plan	TIP demonstrates it can be implemented, indicates reasonably expected public and private resources, and recommends financing strategies for needed projects and programs.	Yes No	46-51
450.326(j)	Financial plan	Total costs are consistent with DOT estimate of available federal and state funds.	Yes No	46-51

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR)	Key Content of Rule	Review Guidance	Included in TIP?	If yes, which page(s)?
450.326(j)	Financial plan	Construction or operating funds are reasonably expected to be available for all listed projects.	Yes No	46-51
450.326(j)	Financial plan	For new funding sources, strategies are identified to ensure fund availability.	Yes No	46-51
450.326(j)	Financial plan	TIP includes all projects and strategies funded under 23 USC and Federal Transit Act and regionally significant projects.	Yes No / NA	31-45
450.326(j)	Financial plan	TIP contains system-level estimates of costs and revenues expected to be available to operate and maintain Federal-aid highways and transit.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(j)	Financial plan	Revenue and cost estimates are inflated to reflect year of expenditure.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(k)	Financial constraint	Full funding for each project is reasonably anticipated to be available within the identified time frame.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(k)	Financial constraint	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, the first two years' projects are only those for which funds are available or committed.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(k)	Financial constraint	TIP is financially constrained by year, while providing for adequate operation and maintenance of the federal-aid system.	Yes No	31-45
450.326(k)	Financial constraint	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, priority was given to TCMs identified in the SIP.	Yes / No / NA	
450.326(m)	Sub-allocated funds	Sub-allocation of STP or 49 USC 5307 funds is not allowed unless TIP demonstrates how transportation plan objectives are fully met.		
450.326(n)(1)	Monitoring progress	TIP identifies criteria (including multimodal tradeoffs), describes prioritization process, and notes changes in priorities from prior years.	Yes No	10
450.326(n)(2)	Monitoring progress	TIP lists major projects (from previous TIP) that have been implemented or significantly delayed.	Yes No	55-56
450.326(n)(3)	Monitoring progress	If a nonattainment / maintenance area, progress implementing TCS is described.	Yes / No / NA	
450.328	TIP / STIP relationship	Approved TIP included in STIP without change.		
450.334	Annual Listing of Obligated Projects	TIP includes annual list of obligated projects, including bike and/or pedestrian facilities.	Yes No	31-45
450.336	Certification	TIP includes or is accompanied by resolution whereby MPO self-certifies compliance with all	Yes No	iii-iv

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR)	Key Content of Rule	Review Guidance	Included in TIP?	If yes, which page(s)?
		applicable requirements including: 1) 23 USC 134, 49 USC 5303 and 23 CFR 450 Subpart C; 2) for attainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 196 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended, and 40 CFR 93; 3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act as amended and 49 CFR 21; 4) 49 USC 5332 regarding discrimination; 5) section 1101(b) of the FAST Act and 49 CFR 26 regarding disadvantaged business enterprises; 6) 23 CFR 230 regarding equal employment opportunity program; 7) Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and 49 CFR 27, 37 and 38; 8) Older Americans Act, as amended regarding age discrimination; 9) 23 USC 324 regarding gender discrimination; and 10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.		

MPO comments:

Appendix E: MAPO Regional Significance Scoresheet

2027-2030 Surface Transportation Program - Small Urban (STP - SU) applications within MAPO boundary			
Criteria	Points	Evaluation Question	Score
a. Regional Benefit	30	What are the project's merits/benefits and intended effect upon the regional transportation network?	
b. Mobility	30	How will the project improve the mobility of people and goods?	
c. Planning Support	15	Is the project identified in MAPO's Metropolitan Transportation Plan or other transportation study/document?	
d. Multi-modalism	10	How does the project encompass multiple modes of travel?	
e. Environmental Impacts	10	How will the project respond to environmental impacts and mitigation measures?	
f. Public Participation	5	What public participation has been undertaken or will take place with this project?	
Total			

Appendix F: TIP Amendment/Modification Policy

TIP Amendment Process

Any changes to programmed projects will be reviewed by MnDOT District 7 staff in consultation with the MAPO staff, and jointly determined to be either an Administrative Modification or a Formal Amendment.

For all project changes, the amended TIP must remain fiscally constrained with the revenues that can reasonably be expected to be available.

The process outlined below is consistent with 23 CFR 450.316 and incorporates the criteria specified in the FHWA and MnDOT Guidance for STIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications.

An Administrative Modification is a minor revision or technical correction to a programmed project. Administrative Modifications do not require formal public involvement actions, but MAPO's practice is to briefly describe these changes in the 'Project Updates' section of the TAC and MAPO meeting materials for the month they occur, and to update the online TIP project tables as these revisions occur.

Note: The MAPO will use the most recent guidance provided from FHWA and MnDOT for STIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications. The MAPO will update the following guidance in the Public Participation Plan once new guidance is provided. The most recent guidance is from April 2015.

FHWA and MnDOT GUIDANCE FOR STIP AMENDMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

FORMAL STIP AMENDMENTS

Are needed when:

- A project not listed in the current, approved STIP is added to the current year.
- There is an increase in the total cost of a project and the increase the following guidelines:

Cost of Project	Amendment needed if the increase is more than:
> \$1 Million to \$3 Million	50%
> \$3 Million to \$10 Million	35%
> \$10 Million to \$50 Million	20%
> \$50 Million to \$100 Million	15%
> Over \$100 Million	10%

Note: No amendment is needed for a project of \$1 Million or less if the percentage increase does not result in a total cost greater than \$1 Million.

- A phase of work (preliminary engineering, right-of-way, construction, etc.) is added to the project and increases the project cost. No formal amendment (or administrative modification) is needed for adding a phase of work that does not increase project cost.
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvements Program (CMAQ) Transportation Enhancements (TEA), or Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds are added to a project.
- The project scope is changed (e.g., for a bridge project – changing rehab to replace; e.g., for a highway project – changing resurface to reconstruct).
- There is a major change to project termini (more than work on bridge approaches or logical touchdown points).

For TIP amendments, MAPO will consult with MnDOT staff to determine if a 30-day public comment period is required. As a minimum MAPO will:

- List the proposed amendment as a voting item on the published agenda for meetings of both the (TAC) and Policy Board meetings.
- Provide public notice of the proposed changes to the TIP project by listing “opportunity for public Comment” on the published meeting for notice and by including the amendment as a voting item on the published agenda, as least one week prior to the scheduled action on the amendment.
- After the proposed project change has been approved by the TAC and Policy Board, staff will email a copy of the signed resolution to MnDOT District 7 staff for inclusion in the ATIP and STIP.

STIP ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

Are needed when:

- A project is moved into the current STIP year from a later year. Justification is needed under “Comments” to explain which specific projects are deferred to maintain fiscal constraint.
- Minor changes to wording or minor corrections (i.e., project numbers).

NOTE: No amendment will be accepted for projects that “may” receive future congressional funding (funds must be identified in an approved Transportation Act or Appropriation Bill).

For all project changes, the amended TIP must remain fiscally constrained within the revenues that can reasonably be expected to be available. MAPO will follow federal transportation planning legislation (23 CFR 450.316) for guidance and STIP amendments.

**RESOLUTION OF THE MANKATO/NORTH MANKATO AREA PLANNING
ORGANIZATION ADOPTING THE 2027-2030 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM & SELF-CERTIFICATION FINDING**

WHEREAS, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was created as the MPO for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area through a joint powers Agreement between all local units of government located within the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is the metropolitan planning body responsible for performing transportation planning in conformance with State and Federal regulation for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation requires the development of a Transportation Improvement Program by a Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, staff and the Technical Advisory Committee has developed and recommend for approval the Transportation Improvement Program for State Fiscal Years 2027-2030; and

WHEREAS, the representation on the Technical Advisory Committee consists of those agencies initiating the recommended projects and have the authority to execute them; and

WHEREAS, the projects are adopted from and consistent with the Minnesota Department of Transportation State Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the projects are consistent with the MAPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 23 CFR 450.336(a) MAPO hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process addresses major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- (1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- (2) In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- (3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- (4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- (5) Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
- (6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- (7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;

(8) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;

(9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on sex; and

(10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization Policy Board approves the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution presented to and adopted by the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization at a duly authorized meeting thereof, held on the third (3rd) day of September 2026 as shown by the minutes of said meeting in my possession.

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Motion to adopt 2027
Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
No: 4.2

Agenda Item: Motion to adopt 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Recommendation Action(s): At their August 20, 2026 meeting the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the MAPO Policy Board adopt the 2027-2028 UPWP

Summary: The 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) outlines work activities and budget information for the calendar year 2027 and illustrative budget for the 2028 calendar year.

Work activities include Program Support and Administration, Short-Range Planning, Long-Range Planning, Program development, and other services and commodities.

MAPO solicited for projects to include in the 2027 UPWP. A subcommittee of TAC members from Region Nine, MnDOT, North Mankato and Mankato were formed to review and score the received applications. The project recommended for in the UPWP is the Monks Ave Corridor Study. The Monks Ave study will include a corridor analysis from Glenwood to Stadium, to review and improve traffic operations and safety, and focus on pedestrian, bicycle, and transit activities from Stadium to Rosewood while keeping in mind the effects of lane configuration, intersection locations, and access spacing on active transportation modes. The Monks Ave study was recommended to be funded at \$125,000, including \$13,400 of complete streets waiver eligible activities.

Also included in the 2027 UPWP are the Highway 14 corridor study and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan Update. The Highway 14 Corridor Study started in 2026 will continue in 2027 with \$100,000 expected to be available. Per the adopted ADA transition plan, every 3-5 years the Plan is required to be reviewed and updated. The last Update was completed in 2023. MAPO will facilitate the process for the MAPO Planning Area and include a bid alternate for Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties outside of the MAPO area, coordinated separately with the counties. Field audit is not required. Funding for the ADA transition plan is \$100,000 including \$40,000 of complete streets waiver eligible activities.

The total anticipated budget for MAPO 2027 activities is \$565,821. Major planning activities and budget items (not inclusive of staff activities and administrative costs):

Activity/work product	2027 budget
Monks Avenue Corridor Study	\$125,000
Highway 14 Corridor – Lookout Drive to CSAH 12	\$100,000
ADA Transition Plan Update	\$100,000
Annual subscriptions (AMPO and StreetLight)	\$8,200

Based on the 2027 projects, MAPO is expecting \$53,400 in complete streets activities. As a result of MnDOT District 7 using MAPO to study Highway 14, MnDOT will continue to support the local share with \$15,000 in 2027. Below is the adjusted local share, including the complete street waiver and MnDOT contribution.

UNIT OF GOVERNMENT	<i>Initial May Prediction</i> LOCAL SHARE AMOUNT	Anticipated 2027 LOCAL SHARE AMOUNT
Blue Earth County	\$24,422	\$20,522
City of Mankato	\$23,779	\$19,981
Nicollet County	\$7,712	\$6,480
City of North Mankato	\$8,355	\$7,021
MnDOT District 7	\$15,000	\$15,000
TOTAL Local Payment	\$79,268	\$69,004

MAPO was advised of \$12,347 in additional Federal funding from the 2025 apportionment that may be applied to the 2027 UPWP.

Historical perspective of local share:

Local Share Amount by Year	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Blue Earth County	\$ 22,014	\$ 16,658	\$ 16,133	\$ 19,825	\$ 20,522
City of Mankato	\$ 21,435	\$ 16,219	\$ 15,708	\$ 19,303	\$ 19,981
Nicollet County	\$ 6,952	\$ 5,260	\$ 5,094	\$ 6,260	\$ 6,480
City of North Mankato	\$ 7,531	\$ 5,699	\$ 5,519	\$ 6,782	\$ 7,021
MnDOT D7 contribution (169 and 14 studies)	-	-	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Total	\$ 57,932	\$ 58,836	\$ 72,455	\$ 67,170	\$ 69,004

This item was reviewed by the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee at their August 20, 2026 meeting and recommended the MAPO Policy Board adopt the draft 2027 UPWP.

Attachments:

1. Draft 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
2. Resolution adopting 2027 UPWP

Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO)

2027 (& 2028 Draft) Unified Planning Work Program



**Recommended for Adoption by the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee
TBD**

**Adopted by the MAPO Policy Board
TBD**

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2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

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MAPO Organization Background

The Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was established in 2012 in response to the 2010 U.S. Census which designated the Mankato/North Mankato region as an urbanized area requiring the formation of a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The purpose of MAPO is to meet and maintain a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive metropolitan transportation planning process.

MAPO Representation

MAPO is represented by the following units of government:

Counties

Blue Earth
Nicollet

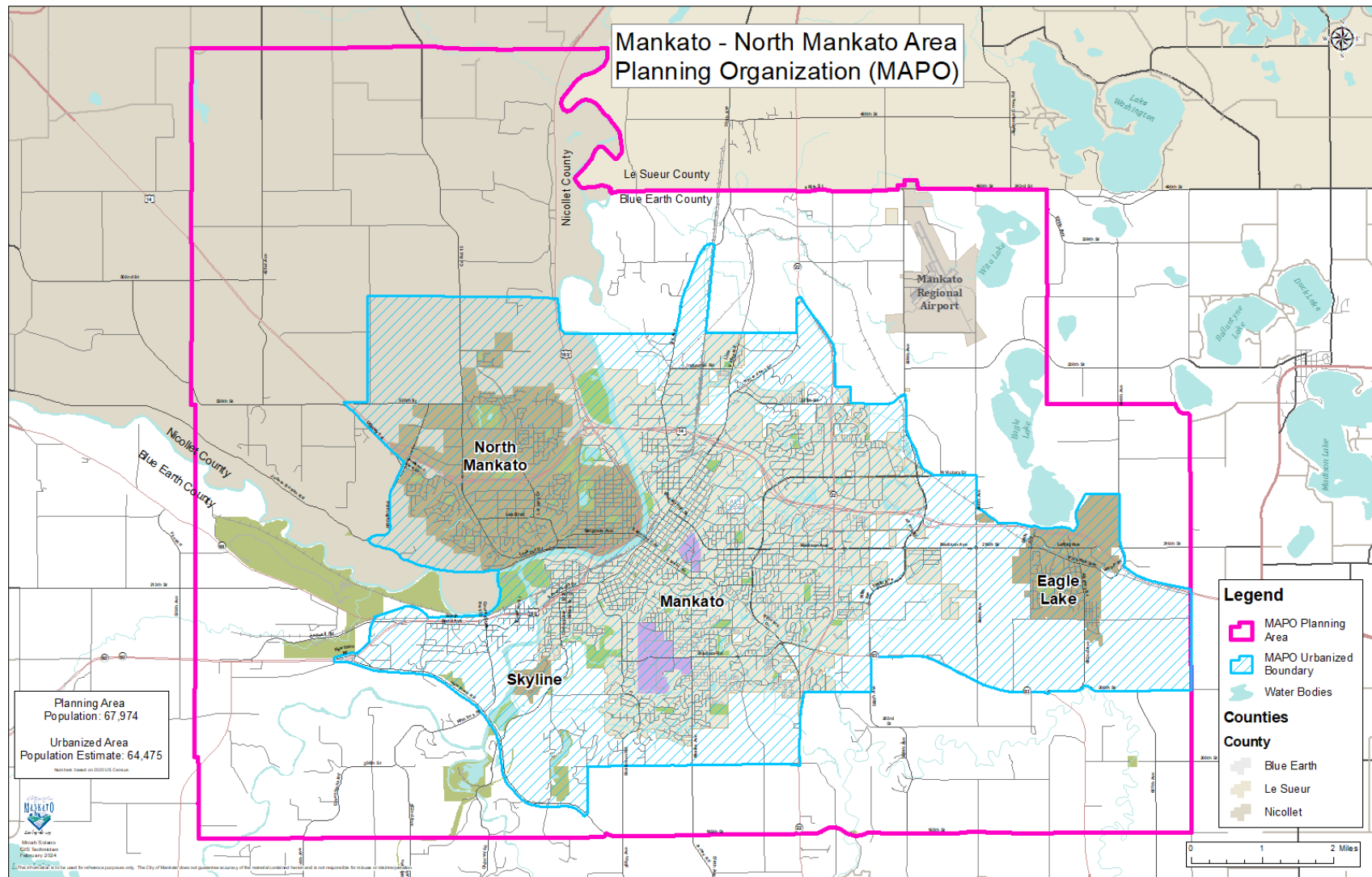
Cities

Eagle Lake
Mankato
North Mankato
Skyline

Townships

Belgrade
Le Ray
Lime
Mankato
South Bend

MAPO is directed by a six (6) member Policy Board comprised of elected officials representing MAPO partner agencies. MAPO is advised by a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which reviews and formulates recommendations to the Policy Board regarding the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and other plans and studies prepared by MAPO.



Policy Board, Technical Advisory Committee, and Staff

Policy Board

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City of Mankato – Mike Laven

City of North Mankato – James Whitlock

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Nicollet County – Jack Kolars

MAPO Townships – Dan Rotchadl

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Adopting Resolution

Resolution Adopting 2027-2028 Unified Planning Work Program for the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization

WHEREAS, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was created as the MPO for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area through a Joint Powers Agreement between all local units of government located within the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is the metropolitan planning body responsible for performing transportation planning in conformance with State and Federal regulation for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is recognized by the Governor of Minnesota as the transportation planning policy body for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO commits to providing the twenty (20) percent local match for the federal and state funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Policy Board of the MAPO adopts the 2027 Unified Planning Work Program with potential minor amendments or amendments pending MnDOT and FHWA comments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Chair of the Policy Board and Executive Director are authorized to execute all State and Federal Grant agreements, contracts and any associated amendments relating to the funding and implementation of the Unified Planning Work Program.

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution presented to and adopted by the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization at a duly authorized meeting thereof, held on the 3rd day of September 2026, as shown by the minutes of said meeting in my possession.

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date

Introduction

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for MAPO outlines work activities that MAPO will undertake as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Mankato/North Mankato Metropolitan Planning Area. Projects programmed in the UPWP must be informed by and in congruence with MAPO's adopted Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

This document represents the UPWP for MAPO and was developed with input and cooperation of the local governments, agencies, and the public through the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee and MAPO Policy Board.

MAPO Vision Statement

Through continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization will promote a regional transportation system that is safe, increasingly efficient, integrated, and multimodal. This system will support economic development, be designed in a manner that promotes and markets the community, encourages sustainable growth, and improves mobility and access for residents, businesses, and all who visit the region.

Purpose of the Unified Planning Work Program Document

The purpose of this work program is to:

- 1) Provide a description of all transportation-related planning activities anticipated to be conducted by MAPO within the metropolitan planning area during 2027 and illustrative activities for 2028.
- 2) Provide detailed work activities and budget information, including local, state and federal funding shares, to allow the state to document the requirements for planning grants distributed through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Scope of Work Program Planning Process

The work activities described within are supported by funding from the FHWA, FTA, Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and MAPO member organizations. Work activities are informed by the MAPO MTP.

Metropolitan Planning Factors

Federal planning statutes identify planning factors that specify the scope of the planning process to be followed by MAPO (23 CFR 450.306). According to statute, the planning process shall provide for consideration and implementation of projects and strategies and services that will address ten (10) identified planning factors. Each factor is listed below. After each factor is a brief description of how the work activities contained in this UPWP support the metropolitan planning factors:

- 1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency.**
 - Use the adopted MTP to ensure that transportation projects and work products are planned in a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive manner.
 - Continue to monitor travel forecasting with development to predict future traffic on the major street and highway system.
- 2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.**
 - Continue to program transportation projects in coordination with the adopted MTP and State and Federal safety requirements.
 - Planning for increased safety as a goal of every study.
- 3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.**
 - MAPO staff will serve as a resource to promote programs and opportunities that encourage non-motorized use and users such as the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program, Minnesota Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) and Safe Routes to School (SRTS).
 - Staff will continue to work with local bike and walk advocate groups in advancement of safe non-motorized transportation options.
 - MAPO will provide technical assistance to member communities applying for Transportation Alternative (TA) program grant funding.
 - Facilitate planning studies that promote security for all users.
- 4. Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and freight.**
 - Work with partners to implement recommendations of local ADA transition plans.
 - Continue development and identification of needs through the Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update and ADA Transition Plan.
 - Assist local Transit providers in the review of their development plans and transportation improvement plans.
 - Assist MnDOT District 7 and MnDOT Central Office in statewide and regional planning efforts.
- 5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns.**
 - MAPO staff will assist in conducting planning studies to inform the implementation of Mankato's and North Mankato's Complete Streets Plans to promote non-motorized usage and promote the health initiatives of the Minnesota Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP).
- 6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight.**

- Include multimodal components when developing the Metropolitan Transportation Plan update.
- Include multimodal components as appropriate during transportation studies.

7. Promote efficient system management and operation.

- Coordination with MnDOT Area Transportation Partners (ATP) and MnDOT District 7 in administering the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program in the MAPO area, as well as in the development of the annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Develop the MAPO's area TIP for submission to federal and state entities. MAPO is charged with developing and promoting programs and projects that best meet the needs of the regional transportation network.

8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.

- MAPO uses the MTP and its performance measures when examining the conditions of the existing transportation system for consideration in the development of the Transportation Improvement Plan.
- MAPO will be an active participant in the Area Transportation Partnership of MnDOT District 7 to consider projects that will preserve and enhance the existing transportation system in the urbanized area.

9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation.

- Continue to program transportation projects in coordination with the adopted MTP and local, State, and Federal stormwater requirements.

10. Enhance travel and tourism.

- MAPO staff will assist in conducting planning studies to inform the implementation of Mankato's and North Mankato's Complete Streets Plans to enhance commuter and recreational opportunities.
- Continue to consider livability, user comfort, and person-centered design when developing work products.

Resolution & Agreements

The signed resolution adopting the annual work program is included at the beginning of this document.

The following agreements governing the operation of MAPO are available on the MAPO website mnmapo.org.

- [Joint Powers Agreement between Governmental Units in the Mankato/North Mankato Urbanizing Area](#)
- [Host Agency Operating Agreement](#)
- [Memorandum of Understanding between the Minnesota Department of Transportation, MAPO, and the Public Transit Operator](#)

Document Organization

The Unified Planning Work Program is organized into three chapters:

Chapter 1 provides a summary of 2027 and illustrative 2028 activities.

Chapter 2 details the work activities that will be undertaken in 2027 with program hours and budget information. These activities are:

- 100 Program Support and Administration
- 200 Long-Range Transportation Planning
- 300 Short-Range Transportation Planning
- 400 Program Development
- 500 Other Services & Commodities

Chapter 3 provides the MAPO Strategic Plan.

Appendices A, B, and C provide supporting documentation of activities, details of the budgets and work activities, meeting times, and contact information.

Chapter 1: Executive Summary of Activities

During the 2026 calendar year MAPO provided regional transportation planning coordination for partner agencies, including studies of the Highway 14 corridor and CSAH 16 (Stoltzman Road) Corridor.

2027 Activities

The primary work activities are:

- Development of 2028-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Coordination of the Carbon Reduction Program in the MAPO adjusted urbanized area.
- Highway 14 corridor study from CSAH 12 to Lookout Drive.
- Monks Avenue Corridor Study from Glenwood Avenue to Rosewood Street.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan Update.
- Provide staff administration to the MAPO TAC and Policy Board.
- Continued coordination with Mankato GIS regarding base data and map requests.
- Facilitate StreetLight data requests for MAPO partner jurisdictions.
- Upkeep and maintenance of MAPO website.
- Assist MnDOT District 7 and MnDOT Central Office in statewide and regional planning efforts.
- Complete 2028 & 2029 Unified Planning Work Program.
 - o Note: the 2028 UPWP requires approval. The 2029 UPWP is conceptual.
- Continued involvement in the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program, Surface Transportation Program (STP), and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program by assisting MAPO member jurisdictions, reviewing, and ranking as needed.
- Provide technical assistance and resources to Mankato Transit System (MTS) on as-needed basis.
- Assist Mankato Transit System with development of the Transit Development Plan.
- Work with the Region Nine Development Commission and serve on R9 Transportation Advisory Committee.
- Coordinate with South Central Area Transportation Partnership, MnDOT District 7, and MnDOT in reviewing and recommending projects.
- Review and update MAPO administrative documents as needed.
- Project management and coordination with consultants on various studies.

MAPO staff will coordinate with area partners and the MAPO TAC and Policy Board to prioritize future studies, including staffing adjustments and projects for the 2028 program year.

Chapter 2: Program Areas and Subtasks

MAPO breaks the UPWP into five Program Areas to be completed in each of the calendar years covered by this UPWP.

- 100 Program Support & Administration
- 200 Long-Range Transportation Planning
- 300 Short-Range Transportation Planning
- 400 Program Development & TIP Development
- 500 Other Services & Commodities

Each Program Area has identified an objective, a budget, and sub-task(s).

100 Program Support and Administration

Activity Budget and Funding Source Split for Program Area 100 - Program Support & Administration	
Funding Source	2027
	Amount
Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)	\$90,156.47
State and Local Funds	\$24,662.21
Total	\$114,818.68

2027 Staff Hours: 1,390

Budget: \$114,819

Objective

Program Support and Administration activities include the coordination of Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Policy Board meetings, staff training and travel, preparing the work program and quarterly accounting, vacation and holiday time, etc. and maintenance of the MAPO website and social media outlets.

Program Support (815 staff hours) 51001

Program support activities keep the Policy Board, TAC, and subcommittees informed and meeting on a regular basis. Actions include administering meetings, maintaining committee membership lists and bylaws, writing agendas and minutes, and special assignments:

- Prepare agendas, minutes and notices for MAPO meetings.
- Review and update administrative Plans as needed.
- Invoice local share dues.
- Attend and present information on the current projects and other MAPO updates to partner agency City Council and County Board meetings as requested.
- Attend and present information on the current projects and other MAPO updates to the City Councils of Eagle Lake, Mankato, North Mankato, and Skyline as requested.

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (105 staff hours) 51002

The UPWP is updated annually in consultation with the MnDOT, FTA, FHWA, Mankato Transit System (MTS), the MAPO TAC, and MAPO Policy Board. Quarterly reports and

reimbursement forms are prepared, and office accounting is maintained. Annual dues are calculated and billed, and the budget is coordinated with the City of Mankato:

- Prepare draft 2028-2029 UPWP.
- Midyear and other UPWP related reviews with MnDOT, FHWA and FTA.
- Prepare budgets and quarterly progress reports.
- Coordinate with area partners on work items to include in the next UPWP.
- Prepare independent cost estimates and draft requests for proposals for budgeting purposes as part of UPWP development.

Training and Travel (130 staff hours) 51003

Travel to MPO Directors' meetings, training, workshops and other professional development activities:

- Staff time to MPO Director Meetings.
- Staff time to attend conferences, trainings, or other professional development activities.
- Staff time to attend statewide and district functions or workshops relevant to MAPO.

Information Technology (City of Mankato) (60 staff hours) 51004

MAPO maintains a website that hosts current administrative documentation, Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Board packets, and provides opportunity for public involvement. The MAPO website also archives previous planning documents and meeting packets. Activities in this section maintain and build the MAPO website:

- Post meeting packets, minutes, and other materials to MAPO website.
- Continued work with the City of Mankato's Information Technology and Public Information Departments to build and expand the MAPO website.
- Continued development of GIS database and services for MAPO area.
- Migrate website to new host environment.
- Explore and implement new technologies and methods to enhance public participation and engagement with MAPO.
- Geographic Information System (GIS) support services.

Program Expenses (280 staff hours) 51005

Program expenses are the costs associated with organizational upkeep and administration, including staff vacation, sick and holiday time.

Process and Timeline to Completion:

- *The 2028-2029 Unified Planning Work Program will be drafted during 2027 and adopted by September of 2027.*
- *The activities in this section will generally be completed in the 2027 calendar year.*

200 Long-Range Transportation Planning

Activity Budget and Funding Source Split for Program Area 200 - Long Range Planning	
Funding Source	2027
	Amount
Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)	\$1,722.19
State and Local Funds	\$471.10
Total	\$2,193.30

2027 Staff Hours: 27 2027 Budget: \$2,193

Objective

Long-Range Transportation Planning includes activities related to development and maintenance of intermodal transportation plans which serve the long-range transportation needs of the metropolitan planning area and in compliance with federal and state requirements. MAPO also ensures fiscal constraint and conformity for all Long-Range Transportation Planning activities.

Long Range Transportation Planning Expenses (27 staff hours) 52001

Activities include MTP development and updating, analysis, inquiry response, and presentations as needed, and maintaining and using the travel demand model.

Process and Timeline to Completion:

- *Ongoing efforts to maintain, analyze, report on, and update the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.*
- *Ongoing efforts to maintain and use the Travel Demand Model*

300 Short-Range Transportation Planning

Activity Budget and Funding Source Split for Program Area 300 - Short Range Planning	
Funding Source	2027
	Amount
Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)	\$272,377.63
State and Local Funds	\$75,514.63
Claiming Local Match Waiver	\$53,400.00
Total	\$401,292.27

2027 Staff Hours: 955

2027 Budget: \$401,292 (staff hours & consultant costs)

Objective

Short-Range Transportation Planning includes activities that provide necessary planning support for and implementation of transportation planning in the MAPO planning area. Short-range transportation planning activities typically include planning for the next five years.

Short-Range Local Planning Assistance (835 staff hours) 53001

Local Planning Assistance includes initiation and development of plans and studies associated with the local transportation system. Activities include but are not limited to collecting data, coordinating and attending meetings, reviewing documents, processing consultant payments, and public engagement. Local planning assistance activities advance the goals of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Activities

- Manage consultant studies.
- Assist local partners with localized transportation planning efforts as needed
- Work with partners on future local planning studies as identified by the MAPO TAC and Policy Board
- Notify MAPO partner agencies of funding program and solicitation opportunities including but not limited to, Transportation Alternatives Program (TA), Surface Transportation Program (STP), Safe Routes to School (SRTS), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP).
- Assist Mankato Transit System with relevant projects, plans, and initiatives.
- Assist Mankato Transit System with development of the Transit Development Plan.
- Serve on Region Nine Development Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee; provide technical assistance, present information on MAPO projects, and serve as liaison between agencies.
- Assist with relevant general transportation topics
- Collaborate with the Blue Earth County and Nicollet County. Includes technical assistance/support, presentations and outreach for MAPO projects and programming.

Consultant Studies

Monks Avenue (Glenwood Avenue to Rosewood Drive) Corridor Study

In partnership with the City of Mankato and Blue Earth County, this study will evaluate Monks Avenue from Glenwood Avenue to Rosewood Drive to evaluate short term improvements to pedestrian crossing, bicycle and transit accessibility, and a long term vision for the corridor including evaluations of the intersections with Glenwood Avenue and Stadium Road.

- Total project cost: \$125,000.
- Amount claiming complete streets local match waiver: \$13,400
- Local match: \$22,320
- Anticipated completion: December 2027

Highway 14 corridor study (Lookout Drive to CSAH 12)

In partnership with MnDOT District 7, Mankato, North Mankato, and Blue Earth County this study is evaluating the Highway 14 corridor from Lookout Drive to CSAH 12, assessing the existing conditions, safety considerations, existing and future traffic volumes, and interchange design. Study will prepare the corridor for future reconstruction by identifying a recommendation from a range of alternatives to develop a vision for the corridor. The total cost of this project exceeds what MAPO can cover with the funds available in 2027 UPWP. MnDOT has agreed to cover the remaining balance. The project began in 2026 and continues in 2027.

- Total project cost: \$800,000
- MAPO project cost: \$350,000 (\$250,000 in 2026 and \$100,000 in 2027)
- Local match: \$63,000 (\$43,000 in 2026 and \$20,000 in 2027)
- Anticipated completion: November 2027

Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan Update

MAPO partner agencies with 50 or more employees are required under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and 28 CFR Sec. 35.105 to maintain an ADA Transition Plan and Self-Evaluation of current transportation infrastructure policies, practices, and programs. In 2019 MAPO fulfilled this need for applicable partner agencies by completing its Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan and Inventory for Public Rights of Way. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has confirmed that applicable agencies must update their ADA Transition Plans every five years. The plan was updated in 2023. MAPO will again update applicable agencies identified physical barriers and areas of ADA noncompliance, thereby maintaining compliance with federal requirements. Key tasks include public engagement via both in-person and virtual methods. A field assessment is not required.

- Total Project Cost (est.) \$100,000.
- Amount claiming complete streets local match waiver: \$40,000
- Local match: \$12,000
- Anticipated Completion: December 2027

State Planning Assistance (120 staff hours) 53002

- State planning assistance includes coordination with agencies whose jurisdiction is outside of the MAPO planning boundary. Activities include meetings, document review, and shared plan and study development with MnDOT or other agencies whose activities impact MAPO's transportation system.

Activities

- Assist MnDOT District 7 and MnDOT Central Office in statewide and regional planning efforts; reviewing statewide and district plans and projects, attending open houses, supporting outreach and other communication efforts.
- Present functional classifications changes to MAPO TAC and Policy Board.
- Coordinate updates to MAPO's functional classification.
- Attend meetings related to MPO functions for local advocacy groups and transportation partnerships.

Process and Timeline to Completion:

- The above referenced planning activities are anticipated to occur within the 2027 calendar year.

400 Program Development

Activity Budget and Funding Source Split for Program Area 400 - Program Development	
Funding Source	2027
	Amount
Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)	\$19,093.80
State and Local Funds	\$5,223.09
Total	\$24,316.88

2027 Staff Hours: 305

2027 Budget: \$24,317

Objective

Program Development includes activities related to the MAPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Area Transportation Partnership (ATP), Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP), and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Inter-Agency State 54002 (75 hours)

Inter-Agency State activities include partnership and collaboration with MnDOT to jointly develop the TIP and ATIP and district-wide funding solicitation efforts.

Activities

- Review of Letters of Intent for Transportation Alternative Program (TA).
- Interview TA program applicants.
- Assist with Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) solicitation.

- Provide staff recommendation and input for submitted projects.
- Review and rank District 7 Surface Transportation Program (STP) project proposals.
- Review and recommend projects for inclusion in the ATIP and STIP.
- Attend Area Transportation Partnership (ATP) meetings.
- Provide updates to the MAPO TAC and Policy Board on STIP projects that fall within the MPO planning boundary.

Inter-Agency Local 54003 (230 hours)

Inter-Agency Local includes activities that develop the MAPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a federally mandated document prepared annually containing transportation projects that are scheduled for federal funding over the next four years in the metropolitan planning area. MAPO promotes programs and projects to meet the needs of the regional transportation network.

Activities

- Provide public notice of TIP public comment period.
- Solicit and prioritize candidate projects and assist MnDOT Central Office and MnDOT District 7 as a member of ATP subcommittees
- Ensure that federal investments are tied to planning, priorities, and policies as defined in the MAPO's MTP
- Conduct a Community Impact Assessment analysis for TIP projects
- Ensure the TIP document is fiscally constrained
- Develop the TIP document:
 - o Complete all federal requirements pertaining to TIP development, including relating TIP projects to the federal planning process
 - o Perform TIP public engagement activities per the MAPO Public Participation Plan
 - o Send approved TIP to federal and state oversight agencies
 - o Amend and/or modify the TIP as necessary per the Public Participation Plan
- Coordinate with the Mankato Transit System on transit projects, complete streets activities, and performance measures
- Collaborate with MnDOT for consistency between the TIP and the STIP
- Coordinate with District 7 ATP

Process and Timeline to Completion:

- The above referenced items are yearly planning activities that coincide with District 7 ATP's dates and timelines within the calendar year.

500 Other Services and Commodities

Activity Budget and Funding Source Split for Other Services & Commodities	
Funding Source	2027
	Amount
Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)	\$18,216.81
State and Local Funds	\$4,983.19
Total	\$23,200.00

2027 Staff Hours: 0

2027 Budget: \$23,200

Objective

Other Services and Commodities includes activities related to administration, overhead, and communications. This includes costs related to:

- Legal, Publication, & Advertising
- Telephone & Postage
- Direct expenses for Training, Travel & Conferences
 - Anticipated conferences in 2027 are the Minnesota Transportation Conference and Expo, the Minnesota Metropolitan Planning Organization Summer Conference and Workshop, and the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations' Annual Conference.
- Printing
- Office Supplies (including software)
- Subscriptions & Memberships

Process and Timeline to Completion:

- The above-referenced items are paid on an as-needed basis over a given year.

Chapter 3: Strategic Plan

What follows is a summary of MAPO overall Strategic Planning as it relates to advancing and maintaining the MTP for the years 2027-2028. Prospective future studies will be solicited from partner members and approved by the Policy Board and are included below for illustrative purposes.

Major Program Activities	2027	2028
ADA Transition Plan Update	X	
Highway 14 corridor study – Lookout Dr to CSAH 12	X	
Monks Ave corridor Study – Glenwood Ave to Rosewood Dr	X	
Assist with Transit Development Plan	X	X
Scoping for the 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update		x
Procurement Policy Update	X	
Title VI Plan and Public Participation Plan Update	X	

MAPO staff, TAC, and Policy Board will periodically review the MAPO Strategic Plan and reevaluate planning studies for inclusion in future work programs.

Appendix A: 2027 Program Activity Details & Budget Tables

Note: totals in appendices may be off by \$1.00 due to rounding

	100 Program Support and Administration	Budget	Staff Hours
Program Support 51001	1. Prepare agendas and minutes for MAPO Meetings 2. Attending MnDOT and local agency meetings, including MAPO TAC and Policy Boards. 3. Prepare and distribute agendas and minutes for TAC and Policy Board meetings 4. Attend training, meetings, and conferences 5. Review and update MAPO administrative documents as needed 6. Prepare billing for local jurisdiction assessment Total Expense - Program Support	\$66,045	815
Planning Work Program 51002	1. Prepare next UPWP and budget, including Independent Cost Estimates and Draft RFP's 2. Review with MnDOT, FHWA, local partners, and other agencies 3. Reporting to MnDOT & FHWA Total Expense - Planning Work Program	\$8,284	105
Training and Travel 51003	1. Travel to meetings including MPO Directors meetings MN MPO workshop 2. Travel to workshops 3. Attend other meeting related to transportation Total Expense - Training & Travel	\$10,461	130
Information Tech, GIS, & Website 51004	1. Maintenance of Website - Post minutes, agendas, meeting materials, information, create revolving content 2. Geographic Information System Support (7208) Total Staff Expenses Total Expense - Information Tech & Website	\$3,000 \$5,458 \$8,458	60
Program Expenses 51005	1. Vacation, Sick and Holidays Total Expense - Program Expenses	\$21,571	280
Total Expenses - Program Support and Administration		\$114,819	1,390
	200 Long-Range Planning*	Budget	Staff Hours
Long Range Planning 52001	Total Staff costs - Long Range Planning - MTP Update, maintenance, analysis, inquiry response, Transportation Demand Model use and maintenance. Total Expenses - Long Range Planning	\$2,193 \$2,193	27
Total Expenses - Long Range Planning		\$2,193	27
	300 Short-Range Planning	Budget	Staff Hours
	Consultant cost - Highway 14 Corridor - CSAH 12 to Lookout Drive (2 year project 2026 and 2027) Total MAPO Cost \$350,000	\$100,000	
	Consultant cost - ADA Transition Plan Update	\$60,000	
	ADA Transition Plan Update complete streets activities (claiming local waiver)	\$40,000	
	Consultant cost - Monks Ave Corridor Study	\$111,600	
	Monks Ave Corridor Study complete streets activities (Claiming local waiver)	\$13,400	
	Assist MAPO partners with local transportation planning efforts as needed		
	Distribute and share relevant transportation materials & information/outreach		
	Staff Expenses	\$66,936	835
Total Expenses - Short Range Planning - Local		\$391,936	
State Planning Efforts 53002	1. Participation in Statewide and District Planning Efforts (various planning & work groups e.g. MnSHIP, District 7 Freight Plan, State Rail Plan, State Pedestrian Plan, etc.) 2. Coordination with MnDOT and local partners for transportation related activities Staffing Expenses - Short Term Planning - Interagency Total Expenses - Short Range Planning - Interagency	\$9,356 \$9,356	120
Total Expenses - Short Range Planning		\$401,292	955

2027 Program Activity Details & Budget Continued

	400 Program Development	Budget	Staff Hours
Inter Agency - State 54002	1. TAP LOI Review		
	2. Coordination and review with MnDOT and Transit for STIP		
	Total Staffing Costs - Program Development		
	Total Expenses - Program Development - Interagency	\$6,709	75
Inter Agency Local 54003	1. Public notice of Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) preparation		
	2. Solicit projects from local partners		
	3. TIP Community Impact Analysis		
	4. Consultation with Mankato Transit System, including assistance with Transit Development Plan (TDP)		
	5. TIP development		
	6. Coordination with District 7 ATP		
	7. Work with Region Nine RDC & serve on R9 Transportation Advisory Committee		
	8. Coordinate to make MAPO operations accessible e.g. language translation, hearing-impaired, etc.		
	9. Staff work on Safe Streets and Routes for All activities		
	Total Staffing Costs - Inter Agency Local	\$17,608	230
	Total Expenses - Program Development - Interagency	\$17,608	
	Total Expenses - Program Development	\$24,317	305
	Other Services & Commodities	Budget	Staff Hours
	3040 Legal, Publication, & Advertising	\$600	
	3210 Telephone & Postage	\$300	
	3300 Training, Travel & Conferences (costs associated with travel expenses less staff time)	\$9,000	
	3410 Printing	\$3,000	
	2010 Office Supplies	\$2,100	
	4330 Subscriptions & Memberships (including \$1100 AMPO membership and \$7,000 StreetLight license (FFY2027-2028) fee paid Oct. 2027)	\$8,200	
	Total Other Services & Commodities	\$23,200	
	Total Expenses and Staffing Hours for 2027	\$565,821	2,677

*As noted within the 200 and 300 categories, Complete Streets activities are in support of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Metropolitan Planning (PL) 2.5% Increasing Safe and Accessible Transportation Operations expenditure requirements. The amount based on the 2027 budget is \$53,400.

2027 Program Budget and Detail

2027 UPWP Program Budget and Detail						
Funding Source	Funds*	Allocation of Funds				
		100	200	300	400	Other Services & Commodities
		Program Support	Long Range Planning	Short Range Planning	Program Development	
MAPO Revenue						
Minnesota Federal Funds*	\$ 401,567	\$ 90,156.47	\$ 1,722.19	\$ 272,377.63	\$ 19,093.80	\$ 18,216.81
	80.00%					
Minnesota Federal Funds Safe and Accessible Transportation Options***	\$ 53,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,400.00	\$ -	\$ -
Local Match - Minnesota Federal Funds (local partner dues)*	\$ 58,542	\$ 13,143.30	\$ 251.07	\$ 39,708.09	\$ 2,783.56	\$ 2,655.71
	11.66%					
Minnesota State Funds*	\$ 41,850	\$ 9,395.81	\$ 179.48	\$ 28,386.31	\$ 1,989.89	\$ 1,898.50
	8.34%					
Local Match - Minnesota State Funds (local partner dues)**	\$ 10,463	\$ 2,123.09	\$ 40.56	\$ 7,420.23	\$ 449.64	\$ 428.99
	1.85%					
Federal, State,& Local Match w/o Local Match - MN State funds and Federal Waiver	\$ 501,959	\$ 112,696	\$ 2,153	\$ 340,472	\$ 23,867	\$ 22,771
Total Revenue	\$ 565,821	\$ 114,819	\$ 2,193	\$ 401,292	\$ 24,317	\$ 23,200
MAPO Staff Expenses						
Program Support & Administration	\$ 114,819	\$ 114,819				
Long Range Planning	\$ 2,193		\$ 2,193			
Short Range Planning	\$ 76,292			\$ 76,292		
Program Development	\$ 24,317				\$ 24,317	
Total Staff Salaries & Benefits	\$ 217,621					
Commodities & Other Services						
Legal, Publication, & Advertising	\$ 600					\$ 600
Telephone & Postage	\$ 300					\$ 300
Training, Travel & Conferences	\$ 9,000					\$ 9,000
Printing & Publishing	\$ 3,000					\$ 3,000
Office Supplies (including software)	\$ 2,100					\$ 2,100
Subscriptions & Memberships	\$ 8,200					\$ 8,200
Consultant Services	\$ 325,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 325,000	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 565,821	\$ 114,819	\$ 2,193	\$ 401,292	\$ 24,317	\$ 23,200
% of Total Program	100%	20.3%	0.4%	70.9%	4.3%	4.1%
* Percentages are of the Total Federal, State & Local match without local match for Minnesota State Planning Funds.						
** Local match to Minnesota State Planning Funds. These are not part of the Federal Planning Fund match and do not contribute to the percentage match.						
*** Eligible complete streets activities applying for a waiver from the 20% local match.						

MAPO FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program Federal Planning Funds				
2027 MN FHWA PL Total	2027 MN FHWA SATO Minimum 2.5%*	2027 MNFTA Total	Remaining FHWA PL Funds	2027 MN PL Funds Total
\$ 341,501	\$ 53,400	\$ 113,466	\$ 288,101	\$ 401,567
*2.5% minimum is \$8,537.53				

Federal Funds and Local Match

MAPO FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program Budget - Federal Funds and Local Match					
UPWP Category	Project Title	Federal Funding Amount	Local Funding Amount (State and Local)	Complete Streets Waiver	Total Funding Amount
100	Program Support	\$ 90,156	\$ 24,662	\$ -	\$ 114,819
200	Long Range Planning	\$ 1,722	\$ 471	\$ -	\$ 2,193
300	Short Range Planning	\$ 272,378	\$ 75,515	\$ 53,400	\$ 401,292
400	Program Development	\$ 19,094	\$ 5,223	\$ -	\$ 24,317
500	Other Service & Commodities	\$ 18,217	\$ 4,983	\$ -	\$ 23,200
	Funding Totals	\$ 401,567	\$ 110,854	\$ 53,400	\$ 565,821
Source of Local Funds:					
	Minnesota State Funds		\$ 41,850		
	Local Funds partner dues		\$ 69,004		
	Funding Totals		\$ 110,854		

2027 Local Share Amount (may vary by \$1.00 due to rounding)

2027 LOCAL SHARE AMOUNT	
TOTAL 2027 Local Share	\$ 69,004
UNIT OF GOVERNMENT	LOCAL SHARE
Blue Earth County	\$ 20,522
City of Mankato	\$ 19,981
Nicollet County	\$ 6,480
City of North Mankato	\$ 7,021
District 7 MnDOT	\$ 15,000
TOTAL 2026 Local Payments	\$ 69,004

Local Share Amount by Year (may vary by \$1.00 due to rounding)

Local Share Amount by Year	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Blue Earth County	\$ 22,014	\$ 16,658	\$ 16,133	\$ 19,825	\$ 20,522
City of Mankato	\$ 21,435	\$ 16,219	\$ 15,708	\$ 19,303	\$ 19,981
Nicollet County	\$ 6,952	\$ 5,260	\$ 5,094	\$ 6,260	\$ 6,480
City of North Mankato	\$ 7,531	\$ 5,699	\$ 5,519	\$ 6,782	\$ 7,021
MnDOT D7 contribution	-	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Total	\$ 57,932	\$ 58,836	\$ 72,455	\$ 67,170	\$ 69,004

Draft 2028 Program Activity Details & Budget (illustrative)

	100 Program Support and Administration	Budget	Staff Hours
Program Support 51001	1. Prepare agendas and minutes for MAPO Meetings 2. Attending MnDOT and local agency meetings 3. Prepare and distribute agendas and minutes for TAC meetings 4. Attend training, meetings, and conferences 5. Review and update MAPO administrative documents as needed 6. Prepare billing for local jurisdiction assessment Total Expense - Program Support	\$66,045	815
Planning Work Program 51002	1. Prepare next UPWP and budget 2. Review with MnDOT, FHWA, local partners, and other agencies 3. Reporting to MnDOT & FHWA Total Expense - Planning Work Program	\$8,852	110
Training and Travel 51003	1. Travel to meetings including MPO Directors meetings MN MPO workshop 2. Travel to workshops 3. Attend other meeting related to transportation Total Expense - Training & Travel	\$13,500	130
Information Tech, GIS, & Website 51004	1. Maintenance of Website - Post minutes, agendas, meeting materials, information, create revolving content 2. Online Engagement for Variety of Transportation Projects and Topics - Every Voice 2. Geographic Information System Support (7208) Total Staff Expenses Total Expense - Information Tech & Website	\$8,000 \$5,458 \$13,458	60
Program Expenses 51005	1. Vacation, Sick and Holidays Total Expense - Program Expenses	\$21,571	280
Total Expenses - Program Support and Administration		\$123,426	1,395
	200 Long-Range Planning	Budget	Staff Hours
Long Range Planning 52001	Total Staff costs - Long Range Planning - MTP Update, maintenance, analysis, inquiry response, participation in transit development plan, Transportation Demand Model use and maintenance. Total Expenses - Long Range Planning	\$2,193 \$2,193	27
Total Expenses - Long Range Planning		\$2,193	27
	300 Short-Range Planning	Budget	Staff Hours
Short Range Planning - Local 53001	Consultant studies Assist MAPO partners with local transportation planning data requests and support Distribute and share relevant transportation materials & information/outreach (52002 staff coding) Staff Expenses Total Expenses - Short Range Planning - Local	\$300,000 \$68,547 \$368,547	850
State Planning Efforts 53002	1. Participation in Statewide and District Planning Efforts (various planning & work groups e.g. District 7 Freight Plan, State Rail Plan, State Pedestrian Plan, etc.) 2. Coordination with MnDOT and local partners for transportation related activities Total Staffing Costs - Short Term Planning - Interagency Total Expenses - Short Range Planning - Interagency	\$9,356 \$9,356	120
Total Expenses - Short-Range Planning		\$377,903	970

Draft 2028 Program Activity Details & Budget (illustrative) continued

	400 Program Development	Budget	Staff Hours
Inter Agency - State 54002	1. TAP LOI Review		
	2. Coordination and review with MnDOT and Transit for STIP		
	Total Staffing Costs - Program Development		
	Total Expenses - Program Development - Interagency	\$6,173	70
Inter Agency Local 54003	1. Public notice of Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) preparation		
	2. Solicit projects from local partners		
	3. TIP Community Impact Analysis		
	4. Consultation with Mankato Transit System, including assistance with Transit Development Plan (TDP)		
	5. TIP development		
	6. Public Engagement for TIP including local project inclusion		
	7. Coordination with District 7 ATP		
	8. Work with Region Nine RDC & serve on R9 Transportation Advisory Committee		
	9. Coordinate to make MAPO operations accessible e.g. language translation, hearing-impaired, etc.		
	Total Staffing Costs - Inter Agency Local	\$18,712	240
	Total Expenses - Program Development - Interagency	\$18,712	
Total Expenses - Program Development		\$24,885	310
	Other Services & Commodities	Budget	Staff Hours
	3040 Legal, Publication, & Advertising	\$600	
	3210 Telephone & Postage	\$1,000	
	3300 Training, Travel & Conferences (costs associated with travel expenses less staff time)	\$10,000	
	3410 Printing & Publishing	\$3,000	
	2010 Office Supplies	\$2,000	
	4330 Subscriptions & Memberships (including \$1100 AMPO membership and \$7,500 StreetLight license fee paid Oct.)	\$9,000	
Total Other Services & Commodities		\$25,600	
Total Expenses and Staffing Hours for 2028		\$554,007	2,702

Appendix B: MAPO Meeting Locations, Times & Contact Information

Policy Board meetings

MAPO Policy Board meetings are typically held every other month on the first Thursday unless otherwise notified. Policy Board meetings are held in the Mankato Room (Mankato City Council Chamber), 1st floor of the Intergovernmental Center (IGC) at 6:00pm, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings

MAPO Technical Advisory Committee meetings are typically held every other month on the third Thursday unless otherwise notified. TAC meetings are held in the Minnesota River Room, 1st floor of the Intergovernmental Center (IGC) at 1:30 p.m., 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001.

Tentative 2027 MAPO meeting schedule. Meetings may be cancelled if there are no immediate action items.	
TAC meetings	Policy Board meetings
January 21	February 4
February 18	March 4
March 18	April 1
April 15	May 6
May 20	June 3
June 17	July 1
July 15	August 5
August 19	September 2
September 16	October 7
October 21	November 4
November 18	December 2

MAPO Contact information

Mailing Address

Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization
10 Civic Center Plaza
Mankato, MN 56001

Website

www.mnmapo.org

Executive Director

Mark Konz
(507) 381-8613
mkonz@mankatomn.gov

Twitter

[@MinnesotaMAPO](https://twitter.com/MinnesotaMAPO)

Comment Dropbox

Those without access to telephone or email may submit paper comments to the dropbox located in front of the Intergovernmental Center at 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001. Please address paper comments to the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization.

Fax

(507) 388-7530

Appendix C: Revisions to the UPWP

MAPO will follow the guidance from MnDOT on revisions to the UPWP as follows. There are instances when an MPO may need to amend or modify its UPWP. UPWP revisions may be in the form of administrative modifications or formal amendments. Prior to initiating any changes, the MPO should consult with MnDOT's OTSM liaison and FHWA or FTA, as applicable, to determine if an amendment or modification is required and to discuss any other concerns or issues regarding the proposed change. The MPO, OTSM and FHWA or FTA will determine whether an administrative modification or formal amendment is required. MnDOT and FHWA or FTA will identify the information that needs to be included in the documentation.

An MPO cannot act (e.g., vote or pass a resolution) to amend its UPWP prior to federal approval of the UPWP.

FORMAL AMENDMENT

A formal UPWP amendment request is required for any of the following changes, in alignment with 2 CFR 200.308:

- Budget Changes
 - Any change that results in the addition of federal funds to the existing approved UPWP planning grant
 - Cumulative transfers over 10% of the total federal funds of the UPWP budget among separately budgeted work categories (e.g., if the UPWP budget is \$500,000 of which \$400,000 is federal funds, the 10% threshold is \$40,000. Therefore \$10,000 could move from category A to category B and \$29,999 could move from category C to category D prior to a formal amendment needing to occur.)
 - Reduction in work that will equal or exceed 25% of the total project budget per task identified in the UPWP budget for the MPO (e.g., if the total UPWP budget is \$500,000, but Task A's budget is \$50,000, then if Task A reduces its budget by 25% or \$12,500, then a formal amendment is needed.)
- Task Changes
 - Adding new work items not previously listed in the approved UPWP that are requested to use CPG funds. This may include the next calendar year's procurement related tasks.
 - Significant change in the scope of work for separately budgeted work categories, projects, elements or activities
 - Change in the scope or the objective of the programmed task or project
- Changes to Who Performs the Activities and Tasks
 - Addition or removal or change of consultant activities if these actions were not identified in the approved UPWP.
 - Change from consultant to perform activities to internal MPO staff specified to complete the task or project.

FORMAL AMENDMENT REQUEST

The following actions, in order, are required prior to any work being done or funds expended when a formal UPWP amendment is required.

1. Approval from the MPO policy board prior to submitting the request to MnDOT for approval
2. Approval from MnDOT OTSM
3. Approval from FHWA or FTA

A formal UPWP amendment request must include:

- Completed UPWP Amendment form
 - Use the most current version provided by MnDOT
- Redline version of updated UPWP with updated funding tables and work activity descriptions, as needed reflecting the changes
- Clean version of updated UPWP with updated funding tables and work activity descriptions, as needed reflecting the changes
- Resolution approving the amendment
- Memo detailing the changes and requesting approval

The formal UPWP amendment request and associated documentation must be submitted to MnDOT's OTSM requesting MnDOT's approval of the amendment and that MnDOT transmits the amendment with a recommendation to FHWA and/or FTA for final approval.

It is recommended that the MPO submit a draft of the proposed amendment to MnDOT's OTSM liaison and FHWA or FTA for review and comment prior to MPO Policy Board approval. MnDOT will review the request in consultation with FHWA and/or FTA. MnDOT and FHWA or FTA may request additional documentation. If approved, MnDOT will transmit its UPWP amendment approval to FHWA and/or FTA for federal approval. For new activities, added tasks or added budget, no work may begin on the activity until FHWA and/or FTA approval is received.

All formal amendments that include a request to amend the MPO's CPG to add or reduce federal funds must be submitted to MnDOT no later than August 31st of the effected calendar year. MnDOT cannot guarantee CPG amendments will be processed for requests received after August 31st. MnDOT must have available obligation authority to add funds to a grant.

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

Administrative modifications to the are required for any of the following changes:

- Technical or editorial corrections are made to an approved UPWP
- Changes to the approved UPWP do not meet the thresholds for a formal UPWP amendment, but documentation is needed.
- Transfers under 10% of the total federal funds of the UPWP budget among separately budgeted work categories (e.g., if the UPWP budget is \$500,000 of which \$400,000 is federal funds, the 10% threshold is \$40,000. Therefore \$10,000 could move from category A to category B and \$29,999 could move from category C to category D with an administrative amendment.)

- Reduction in work of the overall task is greater than \$5,000 or the reduction in work of the overall task is greater than 10% but is less than 25% of the total project budget per task identified in the UPWP budget for the MPO (e.g., if the total UPWP budget is \$500,000, but Task A's budget is \$50,000, then if Task A reduces its budget by 25% or \$12,500, then there would need to be a formal amendment.)

Administrative Modification Request

When an administrative modification is anticipated, MAPO will coordinate with MnDOT's OTSM liaison to confirm the modification is required. MAPO staff will provide a memo detailing the changes, and the reasons for the changes to the MnDOT OTSM liaison and the Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Board of modifications during their next meetings.

Minnesota MPO Unified Planning Work Program Checklist

MPO: Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization UPWP website: MNMAPO.org

MPO Contact name: Mark Konz Phone: 507-387-8613 Email: mkonz@mankatomn.com

UPWP time period: 1/1/2027 to 12/31/2027

The table below identifies information that should be covered by the MPO's Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). UPWPs are regulated under 23 CFR 450.308, 23 CFR 420, and FTA Circular C8100.1D. Complete the requested information as applicable.

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR, except when noted otherwise)	Key Item	Review Guidance / Description	Included in UPWP?	If yes, which page(s)?	Comments
420.111	Cover Page	Include MPO name	☒ Yes / No	Cover	
		Include calendar years covered by the UPWP	☒ Yes / No	Cover	
450.308(c)	Title Page	Include MPO name	☒ Yes / No	Title page	
		Include calendar years covered by the UPWP	☒ Yes / No	Title page	
		Identify MPO contact person, including name, phone number and email address	☒ Yes / No	Title page	
		Identify the agencies providing funds for the UPWP; Option to include agency logos for easier identification	☒ Yes / No	Title page	
		Include a USDOT disclaimer noting that the document was prepared with federal funds but does not reflect the views or policies of the United States Department of Transportation	☒ Yes / No	Title page	
Best practice	Introduction	Include a table of contents	☒ Yes / No	Table of Contents	

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR, except when noted otherwise)	Key Item	Review Guidance / Description	Included in UPWP?	If yes, which page(s)?	Comments
		Include a fully executed MPO resolution approving the UPWP	☒ Yes / No	4	Resolution not signed yet
		Include a fully executed federal self-certification document	☒ Yes / No	5-7	
Best practice	Map	Include a map showing MPO urbanized boundary and the Planning Area boundary	☒ Yes / No	2	
Best practice	Staff	List primary MPO staff by name and title	☒ Yes / No	3	
Best practice	MPO membership	List of all policy board members, including names and affiliations	☒ Yes / No	3	
		List of all technical advisory members, including names and affiliations	☒ Yes / No	3	
		List of all technical committee(s) members, including names and affiliations (i.e., bicycle and pedestrian or harbor committees)	☒ Yes / No	3	
450.308(b)	Previous year's accomplishments	Summarize the MPO's previous year's accomplishments. This may include major studies completed, number of TIP/MTP amendments, Title VI and Community Impact Assessment related activities etc.	☒ Yes / No	9	
Best practice	Meetings	List all proposed policy board meeting dates	☒ Yes / No	25	
		List all proposed technical advisory committee and all technical committee meeting dates	☒ Yes / No	25	
		Include a note that meeting dates are subject to change	☒ Yes / No	25	
450.308(c)	Federal Planning Factors	Discuss the planning priorities for the MPO and the ten federal planning factors	☒ Yes / No	5-7	

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR, except when noted otherwise)	Key Item	Review Guidance / Description		Included in UPWP?	If yes, which page(s)?	Comments
450.308(c); 420.111(b)(1)	Funding	Include a summary budget table which identifies participating agencies with respective funding commitments by task with line and column totals		☒ Yes / No	21-22	
		Include a funding source table which lists current funding by program source for each task with totals		☒ Yes / No	19-20	
		Include a funding summary table that shows: federal share by type of fund, matching rate by type of fund, state and/or local matching share, and other state and local funds		☒ Yes / No	21	
420.113	Eligible Expenses	Include a cost allocation plan or link to MPO's cost allocation plan		☒ Yes / No	10-17	
		Ensure all costs are eligible under the Metropolitan Planning funds		☒ Yes / No	10-17	
450.308(c); 450.308(c); 420.111(b)(1)	Work Plan Elements Best practice examples: - Portland, OR - Oregon Metro 2022 UPWP - Omaha, NE - MAPA FY2021 UPWP - Southeastern Wisconsin MPO - SEWRPC 2022 Overall Work Program	Task Identification	Include task number and title	☒ Yes / No	10-17	
		Purpose	Discuss the purpose of the work element and/or individual work item/activity with at least two objectives	☒ Yes / No	10-17	
		Description	Include a brief description of each individual work item/activity in sufficient detail to indicate who (e.g., MPO, State, public transportation operator, local government, or consultant) will perform the work	☒ Yes / No	10-17	
		Final product(s)	Identify in sufficient detail the resulting products	☒ Yes / No	10-17	

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR, except when noted otherwise)	Key Item	Review Guidance / Description		Included in UPWP?	If yes, which page(s)?	Comments
		Hours	Estimate the number of hours for work activities	☒ Yes/ No	10-17	
		Schedule	Include insufficient detail the schedule for completing the work (i.e., estimated milestone or benchmark dates as well as end dates)	☒ Yes/ No	10-17	
		Funding	• In sufficient detail estimate the proposed funding by major activity and task • In sufficient detail to indicate a summary of the total amounts and sources of Federal and matching funds • A description of work to be accomplished and cost estimates by activity or task	☒ Yes/ No	10-17	
		Completion date	Identify the anticipated completion date or note if ongoing activity; identify previous work if task is a continuing item	☒ Yes/ No	10-17	
450.316	Public Participation	Ensure work program follows MPO's public participation plan		☒ Yes/ No	16	
		Ensure work program elements include public participation components that are compliant with 23 CFR 450.316		☒ Yes/ No	16	
		Ensure document is publicly accessible		☒ Yes/ No	Title page	Document hosted on MAPO

Regulatory Citation (23 CFR, except when noted otherwise)	Key Item	Review Guidance / Description	Included in UPWP?	If yes, which page(s)?	Comments
					website and available in alternative formats by contacting staff
Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.	Title VI	Ensure work program includes Title VI requirements	☒ Yes / No	9	
Executive Order 13166	Language Access Plan	Ensure document complies with Limited English Proficiency requirements	☒ Yes / No	Cover page	
Americans with Disabilities Act Title II	ADA compliance	Ensure document is accessible	☒ Yes / No	Cover page	
IIJA – new ruling	2.5% Safe & Accessible Fund set-aside	Identify Safe & Accessible Transportation Option set-aside activities are This needs to account for a minimum of 2.5% of the MPO federal funds	☒ Yes / No	20	

MPO comments:

**RESOLUTION OF THE MANKATO/NORTH MANKATO AREA PLANNING
ORGANIZATION ADOPTING THE 2027 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was created as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area through a Joint Powers Agreement between all local units of government located within the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is the metropolitan planning body responsible for performing transportation planning in conformance with State and Federal regulation for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is recognized by the Governor of Minnesota as the transportation planning policy body for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO commits to providing the twenty (20) percent local match for the federal and state funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Policy Board of MAPO adopts the 2027 Unified Planning Work Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Chair of the Policy Board and Executive Director are authorized to execute all State and Federal Grant agreements, contracts and any associated amendments relating to the funding and implementation of the Unified Planning Work Program.

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution presented to and adopted by the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization at a duly authorized meeting thereof, held on the third (3rd) day of September 2026 as shown by the minutes of said meeting in my possession.

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Motion to adopt resolution
amending the 2026-2029 Transportation
Improvement Program
No: 4.3

Agenda Item: Motion to adopt resolution amending the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

Recommendation Action(s): At their August 20, 2026 meeting the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the MAPO Policy Board adopt the Resolution to Amend the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Summary: MAPO has been advised of changes to the 2026-2029 TIP. Following the guidance of the Public Participation Plan, formal amendment is needed when, “There is an increase in total cost of a project and the increase the following guidelines.” Amendment is needed if the increase is more than 50% for a project with a cost of \$1 - \$3 million.

MnDOT has advised of changes to multiple project numbers related to the Highway 169 Project. Total cost of all the changes has decreased the

137-010-021T: Increase in funding from fund type STBG-TA.

This item was reviewed by the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee at their August 20, 2026 meeting and recommended the MAPO Policy Board approve the resolution to amend the 2026-2029 TIP.

Attachments:

1. Project line items
2. Resolution Adopting Amendment to 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

Meeting Date: September 3, 2026

STIP project number	Year	Agency	Technical project description	Mile	Work type	Fund type	STIP total	FHWA	AC	FTA	TH	Other
137-010-021T	2027	MANKATO	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2029)	2.4	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW TRAIL	STBG-TA	1,063,800 2,235,240	611,560	0	0	1,063,800 2,235,240

**RESOLUTION OF THE MANKATO/NORTH MANKATO AREA PLANNING
ORGANIZATION AMENDING THE 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

WHEREAS, the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) was created as the MPO for the Mankato/North Mankato urbanized area through a joint powers Agreement between all local units of government located within the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MAPO is the metropolitan planning body responsible for performing transportation planning in conformance with State and Federal regulation for Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, staff and the MAPO Technical Advisory Committee has recommended an Amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the Amendment to the 2026-2029 TIP is described in EXHIBIT A; and

WHEREAS, the current 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program and future Transportation Improvement Programs will be updated to reflect the changes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Mankato / North Mankato Area Planning Organization Policy Board approves the Amendment as presented to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution presented to and adopted by the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization at a duly authorized meeting thereof, held on the 3rd day of September 2026 as shown by the minutes of said meeting in my possession.

Chair

Executive Director

EXHIBIT A

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AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Presentation: Highway 14
Corridor Study Lookout Drive to CSAH 12
No: 5.1

Agenda Item: Presentation: Highway 14 Corridor Study Lookout Drive to CSAH 12

Recommendation Action(s): Informational

Summary: MAPO, in partnership with MnDOT District 7 requested a study of the Highway 14 corridor from Lookout Drive to CSAH 12. The study is included in the MAPO 2026 Unified Planning Work Program and will continue into 2027. The Study is anticipated for completion in November 2027.

Consultant staff will deliver an informational presentation regarding the study. Policy Board members are invited to provide input.

Attachments:

1. Presentation slides

Highway 14 Corridor Study and Intersection Control Evaluation

MAPO Policy Board Update
September 3, 2026

Hwy 14 at the Lor Ray Drive Interchange, North Mankato



Agenda

1. Study Overview
2. Summary of Corridor Issues
3. Themes from Phase 1 Engagement

Hwy 14 at the Hwy 169 Interchange and Minnesota River bridge, Mankato

Study Overview



Study Overview

MnDOT, MAPO, Mankato, North Mankato, Blue Earth County, and Nicollet County are working together to create a long-term vision for Highway 14.

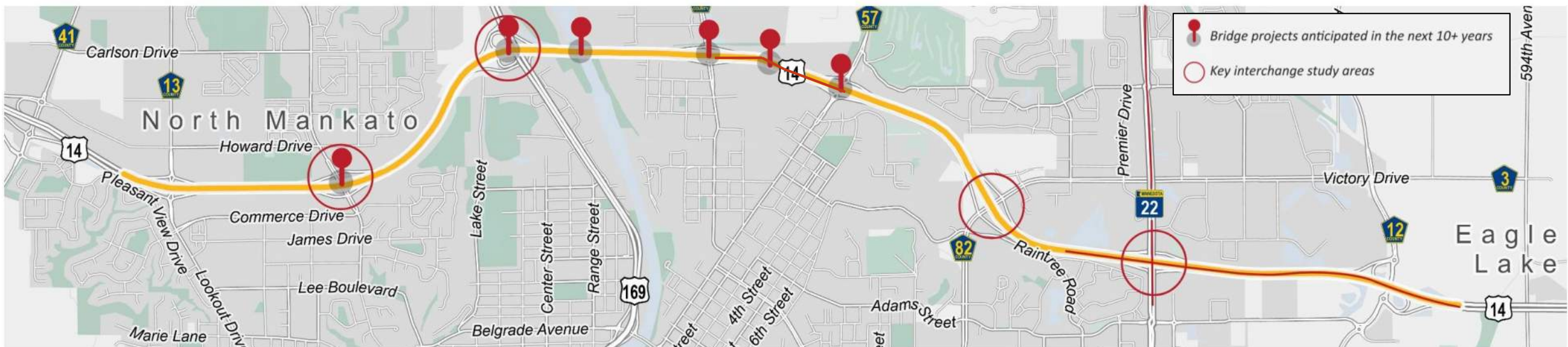
Goals of the Highway 14 Corridor Study:

- 1 Support Growth**
Plan for future development while maintaining mobility
- 2 Enhance Safety**
Reduce crashes and make travel safer for everyone
- 3 Serve All Modes**
Improve driving, walking, biking, and transit connections
- 4 Plan for Future**
Identify projects and prioritize them as funding becomes available

Why Now?

Major bridge projects planned over the next decade present a once-in-a-generation opportunity to rethink how Highway 14 serves all users along and across the corridor. Key areas we'll study:

- Lor Ray Drive / Commerce Drive
- Highway 169
- Victory Drive / Raintree Road
- Highway 22
- Lookout Drive
- Riverfront Drive
- CSAH 12



Highway 14 Context

- Principal Arterial – Freeway
- National Highway System route
- Highest volume corridor in District 7
- 16,000-42,000 vehicles per day
- 8-13% heavy commercial vehicles/day
- 1 of 3 highway river crossings in urbanized area
 - Next crossing to the north is >10 miles



Study Phases and Engagement Plan

Study Schedule

Phase 1

Understand Existing Conditions



June - August 2026

Phase 2

Explore and Evaluate Options



September 2026 - May 2027

Phase 3

Finalize Recommendations



June - October 2027

Engagement Goals

Phase 1

Invite community to share current and future issues and opportunities

Phase 2

Share what we heard, how it shaped alts. Introduce alternatives and evaluate

Phase 3

Share recommendation and ask for input on implementation plan

Engagement Activities

Website
Survey
Focus Groups
Open House

Social Media
Community Events

Website
Survey
Focus Groups
Open House
Visualizations

Social Media
Community Events

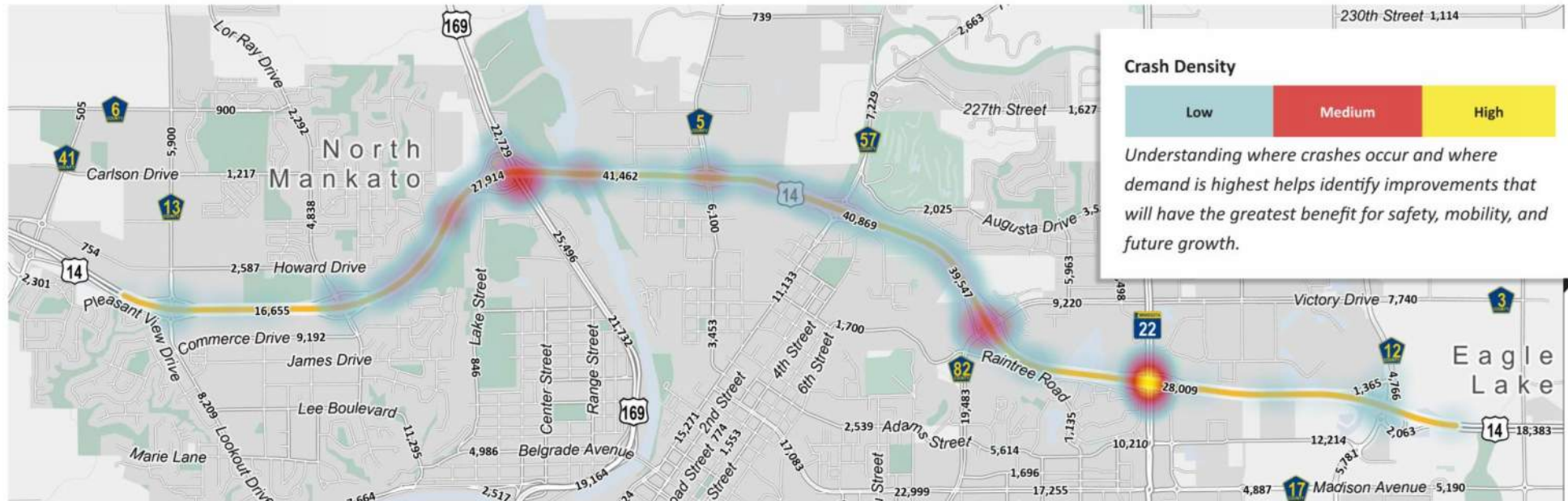
Website
Open House
Social Media

Summary of Corridor Issues

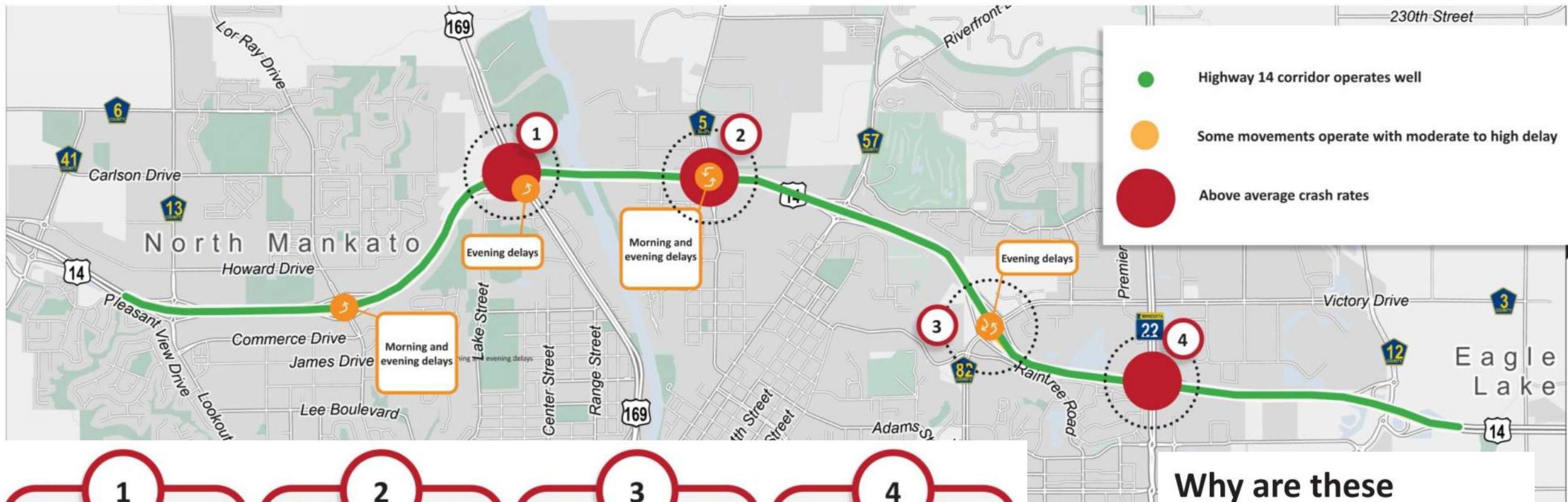


Crash History

Highway 14 experiences a higher number of crashes than average, most which happen at intersections or interchanges. Although most of these are property damage only, over 500 crashes occurred in the last 5 years. The intersections of Highway 14 and 169 South, 3rd Avenue North, 3rd Avenue South, and TH 22 North all have higher crash rates than expected.



Existing Operations and Crash Rate Issues



1

TH 169

Higher than average crash rate
Heavy traffic
Eastbound to northbound delays

2

3rd Avenue

Higher crash rate
Higher severe crash rate
Delays at both ramp terminals

Note: A 2030 project is anticipated to add roundabouts at the ramp intersections

3

Victory Drive

Delays at eastbound Highway 14 off-ramp turning right
Delays to turn left off Victory to Highway 14 West

4

TH 22

Higher than average crash rate
High traffic volumes

Why are these locations important?

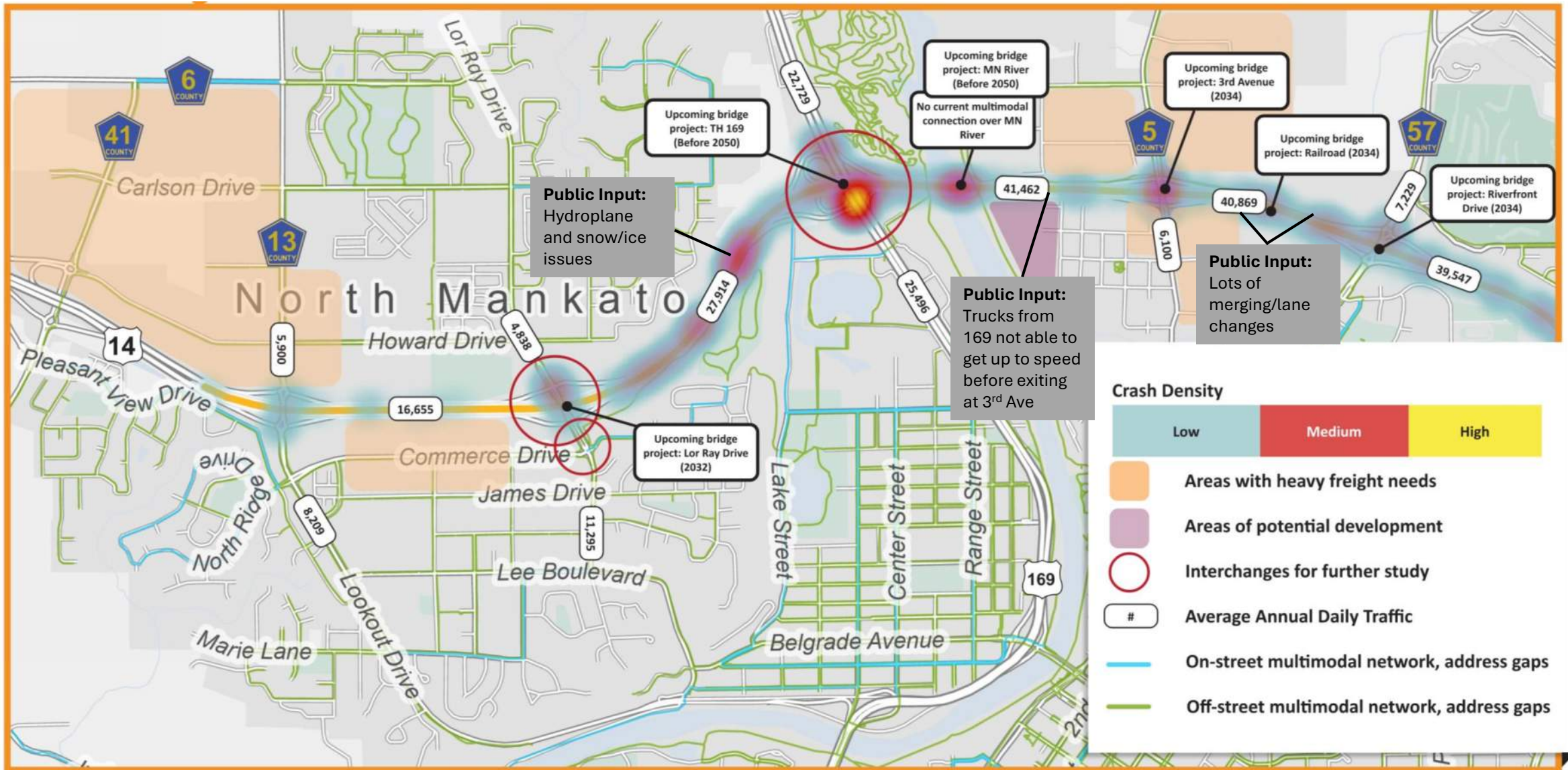
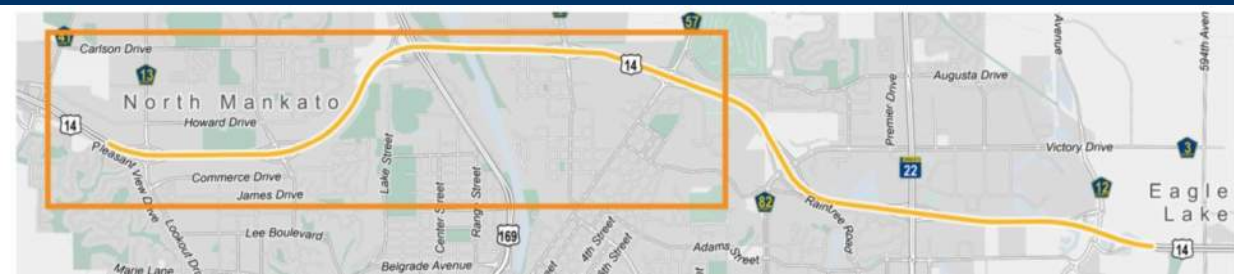
- Carry **high traffic volumes**
- Some experience **more crashes than expected**
- Some areas **experience delays**
- May need **upgrades** as traffic grows

Multimodal Gaps and Issues



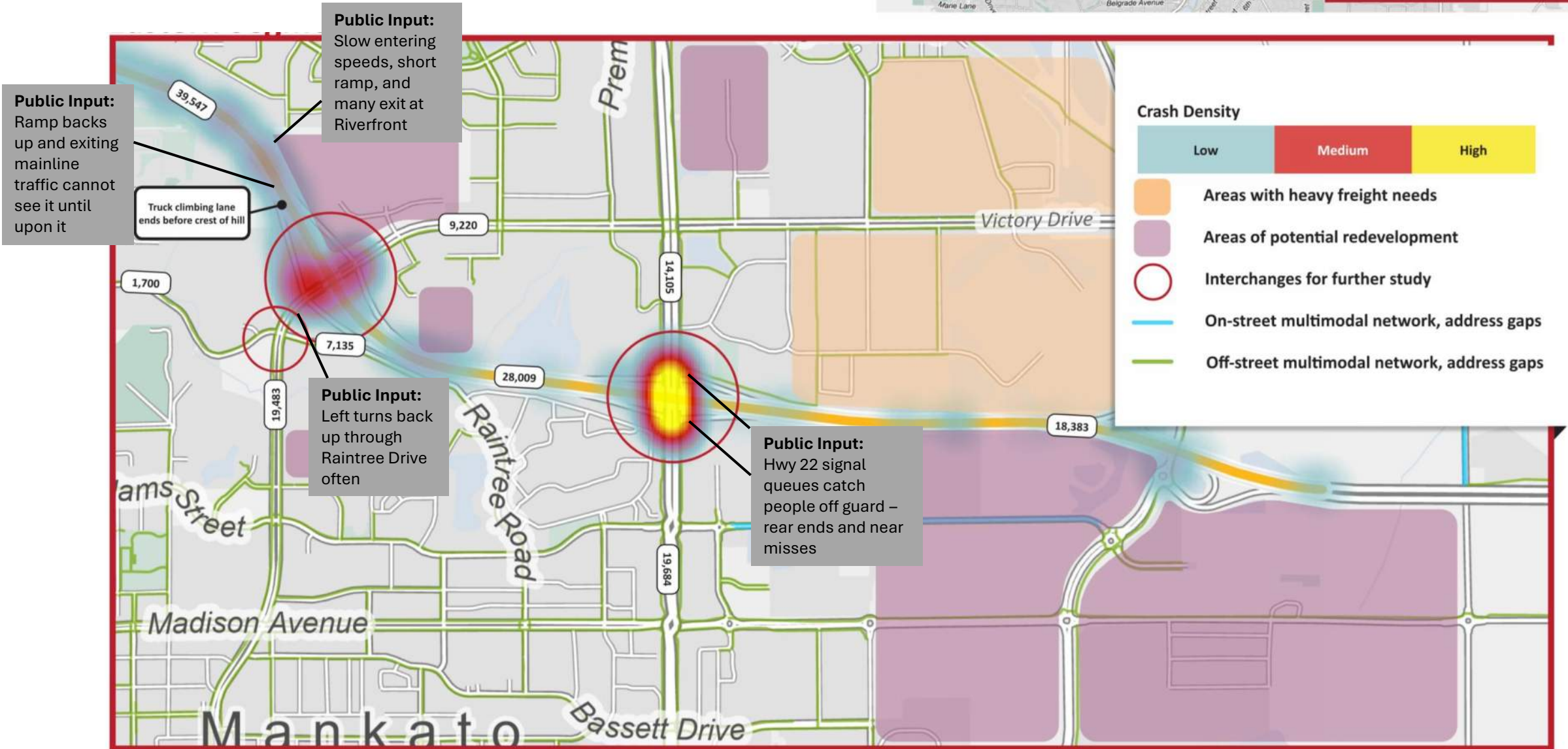
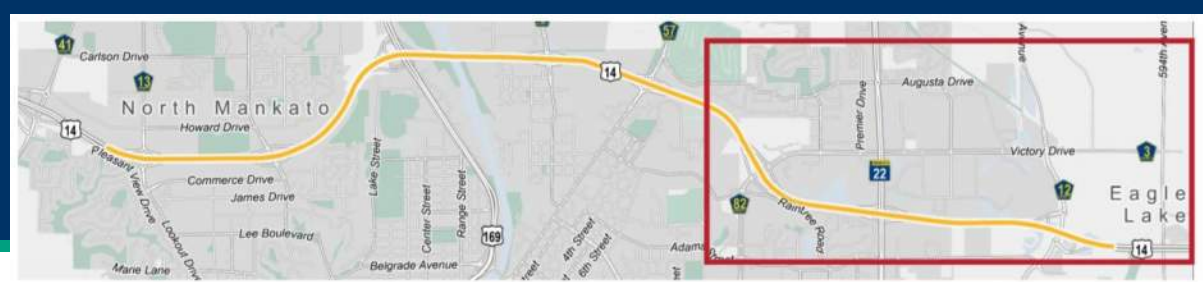
Issues Summary

Lookout Drive to Riverfront Drive



Issues Summary

Riverfront Drive to County Road 12



Corridor Issues Summary



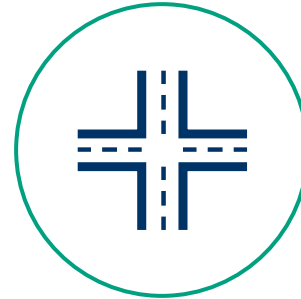
AGING INFRASTRUCTURE



FREIGHT DEMAND



GROWTH PRESSURES



**OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES
AT INTERCHANGES**



SAFETY



MULTIMODAL GAPS

Themes from Phase 1 Engagement



Phase 1 Engagement Overview

Phase 1 engagement activities (July-August 2026):

- Project website and online survey
- Yard signs at area parks – Peppers Classic, July 3-5
- Community canvassing and North Mankato Fun Days, July 11 (engaged with over 500 people)
- Focus Groups
 - Freight Surveys (3 responses)
 - Greater Mankato Bike Walk Advocacy Group (8 in attendance)
 - Public Safety Interviews (in progress)
- Public open house – July 30

Participation:

- Survey + online map responses: 80+
- Open house attendance: 40+



What We Heard – Key Themes

What we heard:

- Theme 1 – Safety is a top priority
- Theme 2 – Local travel on Highway 14 is challenging (weaving and acceleration issues between interchanges)
- Theme 3 – A pedestrian and bicycle river crossing is needed
- Theme 4 – Teardrop roundabouts are viewed positively

How input shapes the study:

- Refines the corridor issues summary
- Informs the purpose and need statement
- Informs evaluation criteria for alternatives



Next Steps



Next Steps



Study Website: tinyurl.com/Highway14CorridorPlan



Highway 14 Corridor Plan

Planning Ahead and Connecting Communities

[Highway 14 Corridor](#) [About the Project](#) [How Highway 14 Works Today](#) [Tell Us What You Think!](#) [Study Schedule](#) [Stay Connected!](#)

Highway 14 Corridor

Highway 14 connects North Mankato and Mankato, linking neighborhoods, businesses, jobs, and everyday destinations. Whether you're commuting to work, delivering goods, or heading out for shopping or recreation, Highway 14 plays a big role in daily trips. Highway 14 also links multiple states, spanning from Yellowstone to Chicago.

About the Project

MnDOT District 7, in partnership with Mankato, North Mankato, Blue Earth County, Nicollet County, and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MAPO), are studying the Highway 14 corridor from Lookout Drive in North Mankato to County Road 12 in Mankato. The study will



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Presentation: Highway
Capacity Expansion Emissions Impacts and
Offsets.
No: 5.2

Agenda Item: Presentation: Highway Capacity Expansion Emissions Impacts and Offsets.

Recommendation Action(s): Informational

Summary: Over the last 2 years MnDOT staff have worked with MPO staff, technical experts, cities, counties, consultants, and peer DOTs to develop a process for evaluating capacity expansion projects on the Minnesota trunk highway system to meet the requirements outlined in [MN 161.178](#).

MnDOT Office of Sustainability and Public Health (OSPH) published an Initial Procedure in February 2025. Based on feedback from partners, OSPH in April 2026 updated the Emissions and VMT Impact Assessment and Offset Plan Procedure with clarifying language and step-by-step guidance for how and what is required to complete an Impact Assessment and develop an Offset Plan, as required by statute. MnDOT also developed a Worksheet to be used in tandem with the Procedure to document the inputs and outputs required as part of the Procedure. MnDOT Office of Sustainability and Public Health are in the process of updating the Worksheet into a more accessible format to meet accessibility requirements and are expecting that to be published by the end of June.

As part of the statutory requirements, projects that are located in a MPO's planning area must be reviewed and validated by the MPO before TIP entry, and ultimately STIP entry. The Procedure outlines the general process, but it is up to each MPO to determine what their individual MPO review and validation looks like.

MnDOT OSPH staff will deliver an informational presentation. Policy Board members are invited to provide input.

Attachments:

1. Presentation slides



Transportation Emissions: Impact & How to Offset it

Anna Pierce

MnDOT's Office of Sustainability & Public Health

**Transportation
projects impact
communities for
decades**



A red Tesla Model 3 is parked at a charging station. A man in a brown jacket and khaki pants is standing next to the car, holding the charging cable. The car has a Minnesota license plate that reads "2GH384". In the background, there is a concrete bridge and some trees. The text "People, technology, and weather are changing" is overlaid in a large, bold, dark blue font.

**People, technology,
and weather are
changing**

A person wearing a red hoodie and a white helmet is riding a bicycle on a city street. The street has a green-painted bike lane. In the background, there are multi-story brick buildings, traffic lights, and a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image in a large, bold, dark blue font.

**The best transportation
solutions support health,
reduce emissions and
strengthen Minnesota's
future**

Key takeaways

- Emissions impact our daily lives + budgets
- Early coordination is key, this includes through regional long-range plans, like the MTP
- Lots of resources available
- Start tracking emissions-reducing projects
- As you have questions, send them over to OSPH

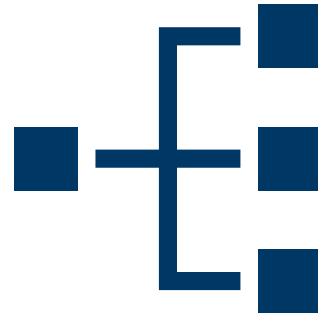


- Why do you care
- Minnesota's emissions profile
- Background of Minnesota emissions laws + policies
- Ways to reduce emissions
- How does this apply to MPOs?

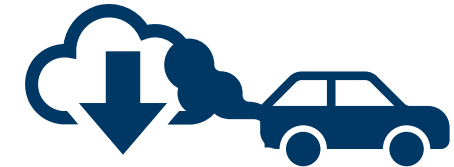
Why do we care



Frequency of
extreme weather
events is
increasing



Climate-driven impacts
affect regional
transportation systems

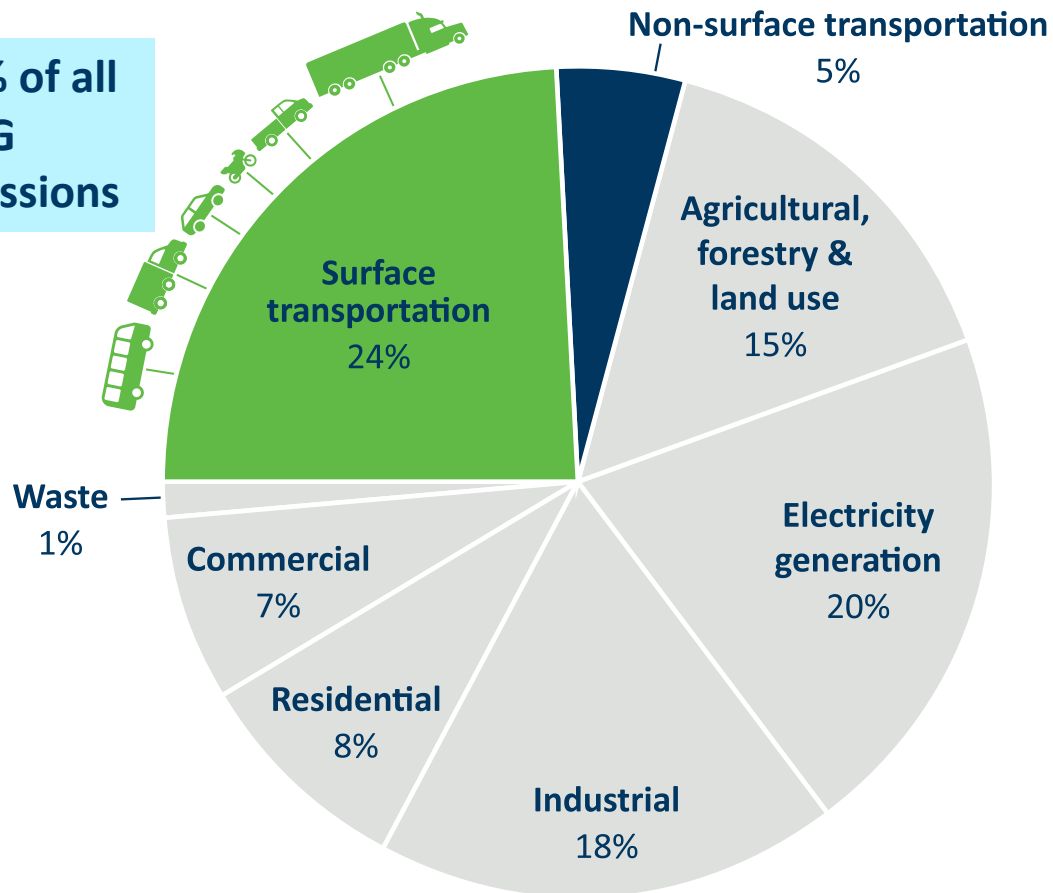


We have the power and
mandate to effect
change in our roles.

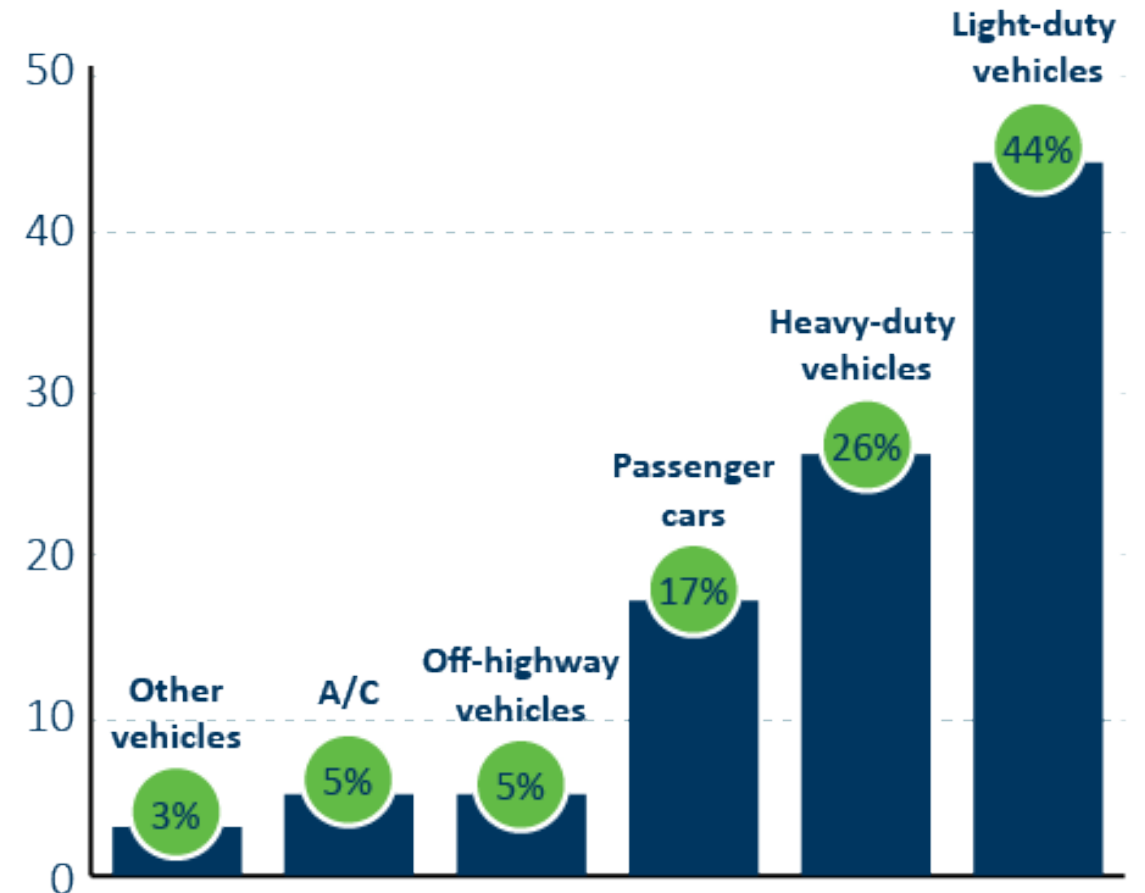
Minnesota's emissions

ALL SECTOR BREAKDOWN(%)

29% of all
GHG
emissions

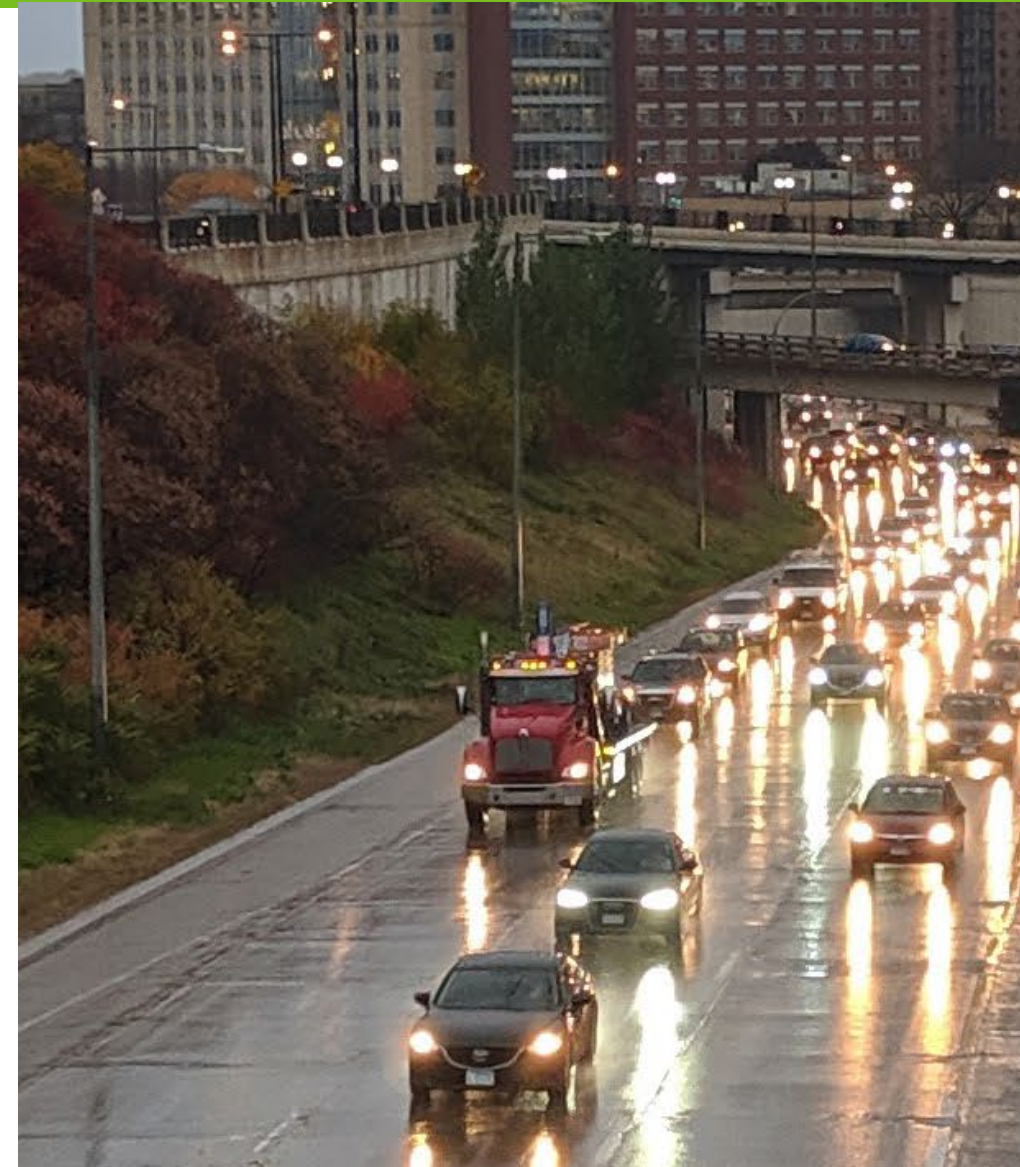


SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BREAKDOWN (%)



10,000 Metric Tons of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (MT CO₂e)

- Equivalent to annual emissions of an average of 15,000 annual miles driven for 2,500 passenger cars or 1,640 light-duty trucks/SUVs
- 478 EV's in a 2-year EV carshare program in MAPO's UZA
- Redeveloping 25 acres of land from a density of 3 units per acre to 10 units per acre
- 10,000 acres of prairie remnant sequestering carbon each year in Minnesota
 - Equivalent of 8 state parks that are within 85 miles of Mankato if they were completely covered in prairie.



Timeline of Minnesota's Climate Actions

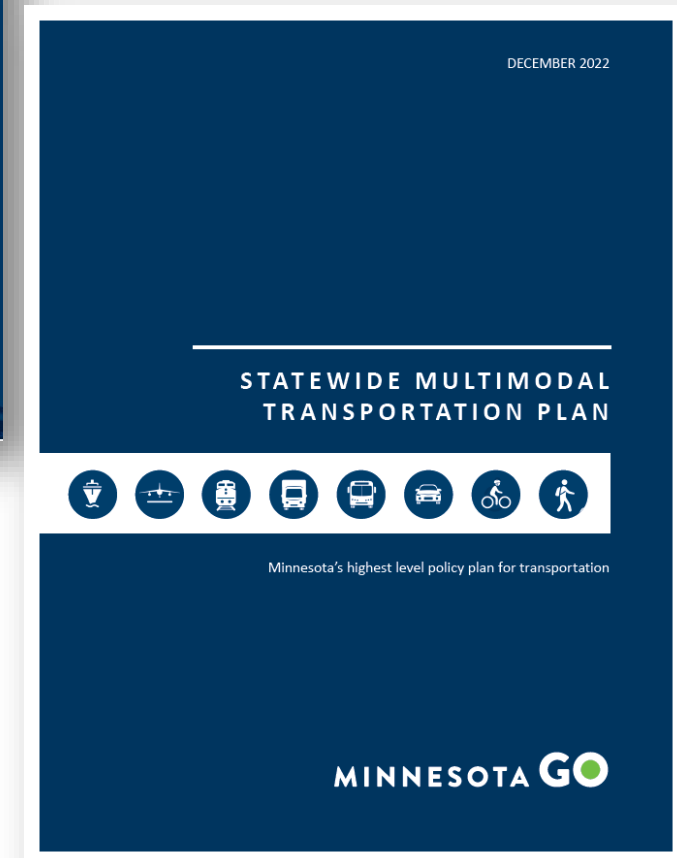
- 2007** **Next Generation Energy Act** created goal to reduce Minnesota GHG emissions 80% by 2050
- 2008** Minnesota **Climate Change Advisory group** publishes final report recommending a comprehensive set of state-level climate policies
- 2016** **Climate Solutions and Economic Opportunity report** identifies near-term emission reduction opportunities
- 2019** MnDOT publishes **Pathways to Decarbonizing Transportation in Minnesota**, outlining potential transportation actions to meet GHG goals
- 2020** **Sustainable Transportation Advisory Committee** established
- 2021** **Clean Cars Minnesota** rule adopted
- 2022** Minnesota's **Climate Action Framework** set goal to reduce GHG emissions by 50% by 2030 and achieve net-zero by 2050

Minnesota **Statewide Multimodal Transportation Plan** establishes transportation GHG reduction targets consistent with the Framework (80% reduction by 2040)
- 2023** **HF 2887** law creates new transportation funding sources for sustainable transportation, rebates and work groups

Next Generation Energy Act adopts goal to reduce GHG emissions by 30% by 2025, 50% by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2050

Clean Transportation Fuel Standard Working Group and **GHG Emissions Impact Mitigation Working Group** are established and begin work

Background | Laws + policies



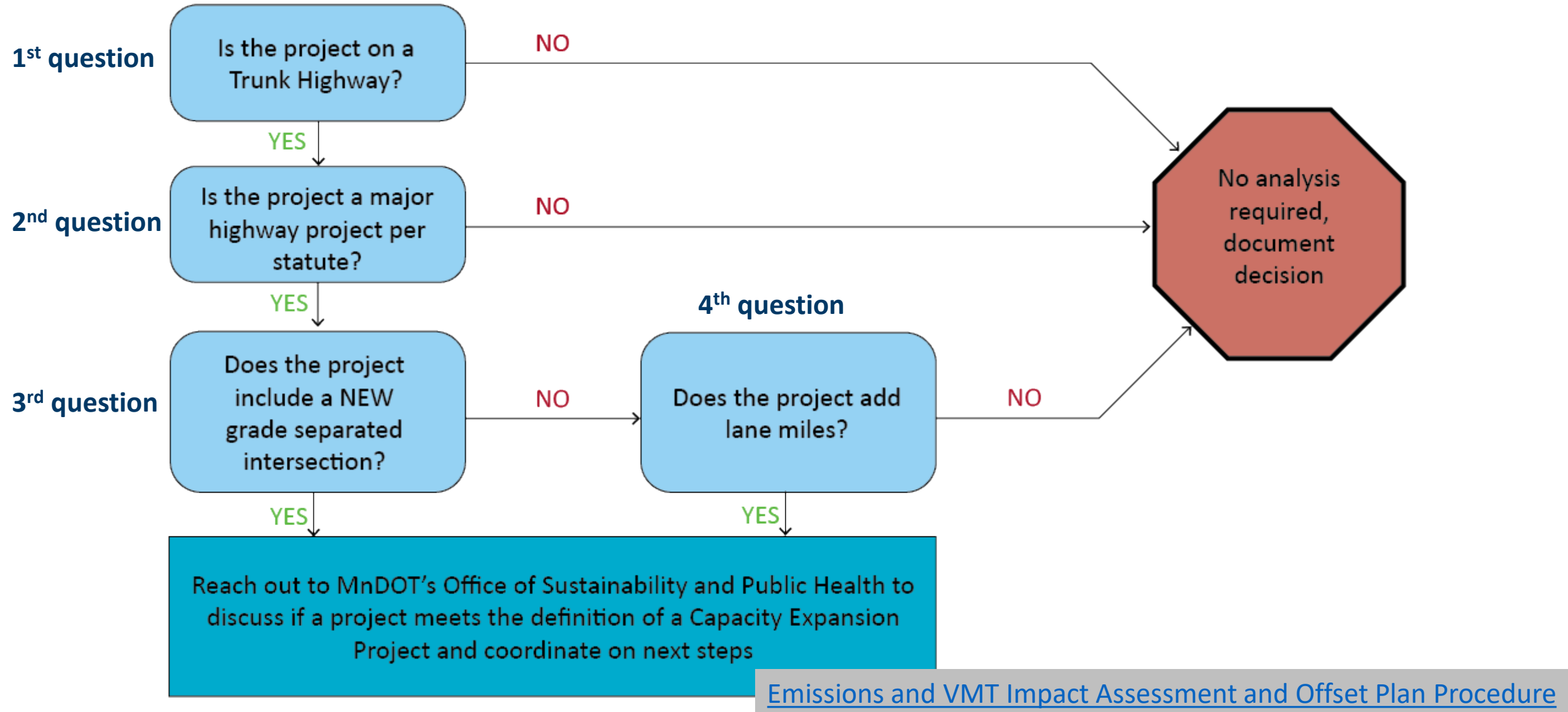
Background | Laws + policies

GHG emissions targets and project assessment:

- [MN 216H.02](#) (2023): Set greenhouse gas emissions goal for Minnesota across all sectors
- [MN 174.01 subd. 3](#) (2023): requires the commissioner of transportation to establish greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for the transportation sector
- [MN 161.178](#) (2023): Requires MN Trunk Highway projects that expand vehicular capacity to be assessed for greenhouse gas emissions impacts, then develop an offset plan to offset those impacts
- [MN 161.178 amended](#) (2024): to add a requirement of "assessing a portfolio or program of projects instead of on a project-by-project basis" by 2027; established a TAC



MN 161.178 | Applicability

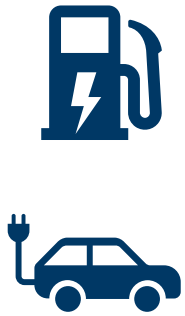


Ways to reduce emissions (e.g., offsets)

- 1. Transit expansion***
[bus routes, BRT, passenger rail]
- 2. Transit service improvements***
[increase transit service level, transit fare reduction]
- 3. Active transportation infrastructure***
[gap or standalone trail improvements, bike lane adds]
- 4. Micromobility***
[shared vehicle services]
- 5. Transportation demand management***
[vanpool and shared vehicle programs, telework programs]
- 6. Parking management**
[policies to reduce or eliminate parking requirements, parking pricing]
- 7. Land use***
[increased density, mixed-use & transit-oriented development]
- 8. Traffic operations***
[roundabouts, reduced-conflict intersections]
- 9. Natural systems**
[prairie restoration, reforestation, wetland conservation, restorative ag]
- 10. Land acquisition**
[easements, restoration and enhancement for outdoor recreation system]
- 11. As specified by the Commission****



Ways to reduce emissions (e.g., offsets)



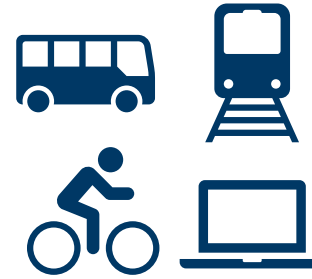
Fuels



**Land
use**



Policy



**Travel
options**



**Transportation
Infrastructure**

Highest



Lowest

effectiveness

The “so what”

How does this apply to MPO's?

What action is needed?

What support can MPO's get?

How does this apply to MPO's?

As of January 1, 2025...

- Expansion projects must offset emissions to be entered into the TIP/STIP
- MPO decides what is programmed in the TIP
- As regional planning organizations, the MPO is strongly positioned to get the best outcomes
 - Identify most effective and beneficial offsets
 - Connect transportation, land use, and economic development
 - Allocate scarce resources
 - Ensure local, regional decision-making



Potential expansion projects under consideration

MnDOT District	MPO	ATP	Project Type	MN Trunk Highway	Starting/End	City	County
1	Not applicable	ATP-1	Lane addition	US-169		Taconite	Itasca
3	APO	ATP-3	Interchange	US-10	US-10 & CSAH-11		Sherburne
3	APO	ATP-3	Interchange	US-10	US10 & CSAH 25	Becker	Sherburne
3	APO	ATP-3	Interchange	US-10	US10 & MN15	Saint Cloud	Stearns
4	Metro COG	ATP-4	Lane addition	I-94	Red River/34th St	Moorhead	Clay
4	Metro COG	ATP-4	Lane addition	I-94	Red River/MN-336	Moorhead	Clay
6	ROCOG	ATP-6	Interchange	US-14	US-14 & CSAH 3	Byron	Olmsted
6	ROCOG	ATP-6	Interchange	US-14	US-14 & CSAH 5	Byron	Olmsted
8	Not applicable	ATP-8	Lane addition	MN 23	CR-5/US-71	Willmar	Kandiyohi
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Interchange	US-212	MN 212 & CSAH 44	Chaska	Carver
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Interchange	MN-36	MN 36 & CSAH 120	North Saint Paul	Washington
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Lane addition	MN-3		Empire	Dakota
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Interchange	MN-13	MN-13, MN 282, & CSAH17	Prior Lake	Scott
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Lane addition	MN-5		Victoria	Carver
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Interchange	MN-5	MN-5 & CSAH 4	Eden Prairie	Hennepin
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP		US-52		Saint Paul	Ramsey
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Interchange	MN-610	East River Road	Coon Rapids	Anoka
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Lane addition	I-694/494		Maple Grove	Hennepin
Metro	MetCouncil	Metro ATP	Lane addition	I-694			Hennepin

What do these projects impacts look like?

Context	Location	Lane miles added from the project	GHG emissions cumulative impact over 20 years
Rural	MN 55, Paynesville	2.6 miles	2,500 MT CO ² e
Suburban/Town	MN 23, Willmar	5 miles	4,900 MT CO ² e
Urban	MN 36, Roseville	14 miles	90,300 MT CO ² e
Urban Core	I-394, west bound from downtown	2.7 miles	32,300 MT CO ² e

Emissions impact of new interchanges ranges from 5,000 MT CO²e to 20,000 MT CO²e.

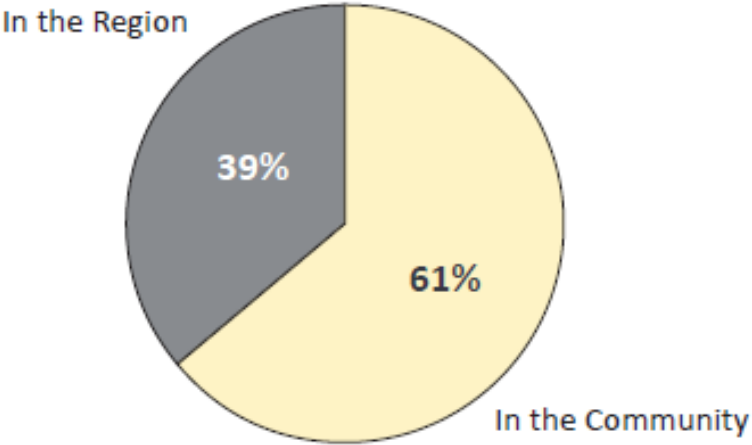
Offset Plan for MN 23, Willmar (5 lane miles added) = 4,900 MT CO2e emissions impact

MnDOT’s Carbon Emissions Tool was used to estimate emission offsets based on completed and hypothetical projects.

	Category	Offset Description	Emissions reduction (MT CO ₂ e)
Project			
	Active Transportation Infrastructure	Construct a shared-use path along the length of the project	25
In the Community			
	Transportation Demand Management	300 people work remote schedules 50% of the time for 3 years, implement commuter benefits ordinance, carpool program, household-based trip reduction program	1,300
	Other (as specified by the commissioner)	Purchase 3 battery electric school buses, install 4- level 2 electric vehicle chargers, Replace 3 passenger truck, 2 cars, 1 refuse truck with equivalent electric vehicles	900
	Active Transportation Infrastructure	Construct 21 miles of trails in Kandiyohi County* and 5 miles of bike lanes in Willmar * as described in the Kandiyohi County Active Transportation Plan	350
In the Region			
	Land Use	Increase residential density from 0.64 to 9 dwelling units per acre in Saint Cloud near Metro bus station	2,100
	Other (as specified by the commissioner)	Install solar panels on transit stations, rest stops, parking, and other facilities	225
Illustrative Example		Total Emissions Reduced (cumulative, over 20 years)	4,900 MT CO2e

Offset Plan

Offset by Proximity to Project



Tracking emissions offsets

Short-term

- Calculate emissions reduction potential using the [Minnesota Carbon Emissions Tool \(CET\)](#)
- Track offset projects/programs via spreadsheet
 - [Template spreadsheet](#)
 - Evolving and looking for feedback

Long-term

- Online CET portal
- Database for projects that can be searched

Projects identified as offsets must have funding allocated to them or be programmed, as applicable.
Offset projects must be constructed, programmed or funded after January 1, 2025 per TAC recommendation

What action is needed?

- Ensure emissions analysis is factored into the MPO process for TIP formation.
- Engage with project proposers of expansion projects.
- Push for early planning and coordination on offsets.
- Run a few scenarios with your MPO staff related to expansion projects.



What resources are there?

- Technical Resources

- [Emissions and VMT Impact Assessment and Offset Plan Procedure \(PDF\)](#)
- [Emissions and VMT Impact Assessment and Offset Plan Initial Worksheet \(Word\)](#)
- [Carbon Emissions Tool](#)
- [Minnesota's Climate Action Framework](#)
- [Technical Advisory Committee Review of Assessment and Offset Plan](#)

- Collaboration

- MnDOT staff – Office of Sustainability & Public Health
- MnDOT staff – District Operations

- Trainings

- One-on-one MPO meetings (staff, technical committees, boards)

Key takeaways

- Emissions impact our daily lives + budgets
- Early coordination is key, this includes through regional long-range plans, like the MTP
- Lots of resources available
- Start tracking emissions-reducing projects
- As you have questions, send them over to OSPH



Thank You!

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AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Administrative
Modifications to the 2026-2029
Transportation Improvement Program
No: 6.1

Agenda Item: Administrative Modifications to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Recommendation Action(s): Informational

Summary: MnDOT District 7 notified MAPO of updates to projects within the urbanized area. To facilitate the updates, the changes must be reflected in the MAPO 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Updates are identified below:

5212-42: US 169 reconstruction, mill and overlay, roundabouts, lighting, and ped/bike underpass. Cost reduction.

137-010-021: US 169 construct roundabout and pedestrian underpass. Cost reduction.

137-010-021C: US 169 construct roundabout and pedestrian underpass. Cost reduction.

150-010-005T: US 169 construct roundabout and pedestrian underpass. Cost reduction.

MAPO staff followed the MAPO Public Participation Plan to determine the changes consist of an Administrative Modifications to the existing TIP. This process includes staff modifying the TIP projects and announcing at ensuing TAC and Policy Board meetings.

Attachments:

1. Administrative modification memos



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June 11, 2026

To: Deb Yates, MnDOT District 7
From: Mark Konz, Executive Director, MAPO
RE: MAPO 2026-2029 TIP Administrative Modifications

This memorandum serves as notification of an update made to the MAPO 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Appendix A of this document includes the full details of the project indicated below, which received minor modifications.

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Updates to the TIP are guided by MAPO's Public Participation Plan, which in turn is based on requirements issued by the Federal Highway Administration. The Administrative Modification was processed and approved June 11, 2026.

Please do not hesitate to contact Chris Talamantez at (507) 387-8389 if clarification is needed.

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Executive Director
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Attachment: Appendix A

Appendix A

ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER	YEAR	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION	MILES	PROGRAM	WORK TYPE	FUND TYPE	STIP TOTAL	FHWA	AC LOCAL	AC PAYBACK	F T A	TH	S T A T E	LOCAL SHARE
US 169	5212-42	2027	MNDOT	**AC**US 169, BELGRADGE TO LAKE STREET, RECONSTRUCT, MILL & OVERLAY, ROUNDABOUTS, ADA, LIGHTING AND PED/BIKE UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2028)	2.1	MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	NHPP	14,621,346 11,321,900	10,808,480 9,216,350	5,900,000 0	0	0	3,812,866 2,105,500	0	0
US 169	137-010-021	2027	MANKATO	**AC**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC) (AC PROJECT, AC PAYBACK IN 2028)		MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	STBG	1,717,340 1,153,200	0	1,295,000	0	0	0	0	1,717,340 1,153,200
US 169	137-010-021C	2027	MANKATO	**CRP**US 169, WEST LIND ST AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021T, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC)		MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW PAVEMENT - CONC	CRP	350,600 180,000	144,000	0	0	0	0	0	206,600 36,000
US 169	150-010-005T	2027	NORTH MANKATO	**AC**US 169, WEBSTER AVE AND RANGE ST, CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT AND CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS (ASSOC. 137-010-021, 137-010-021TED, 137-010-021C, 150-010-005T, 150-010-005, 5212-42, 5212-42F, 5212-42C, 137-010-021AC, 5212-42AC, 5212-42FAC, 137-010-021TAC, 150-010-005AC & 150-010-005TAC)		MAJOR CONSTRUCTION	NEW TRAIL	TAP 5K-200K	629,690 592,990	0	100,760	0	0	0	0	629,690 592,990



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Informational: Summary of
2026 Statewide Metropolitan Planning
Organizations Annual Conference
No: 6.2

Agenda Item: Informational: Summary of 2026 Statewide Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Conference

Recommendation Action(s): Informational

Summary: Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) directors meet quarterly – typically February, May, August, and November to discuss MPO and state transportation planning and programming work.

At the May 21 TAC meeting, MAPO staff provided the TAC with an update of planning activities for the scheduled MPO Annual Summer Conference in Mankato.

The event was held On July 29 and 30, 2026 in the Ellerbe Room of the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center and attended by representatives from the other MPOs, Federal, and State agencies including Grand Forks, East Grand Forks, the Duluth Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council, the Rochester Olmstead Council of Governments, the St. Cloud Area Planning Organization, the Fargo Moorhead Metro Council of Governments, the Metropolitan Council, the Federal Highway Administration, and MnDOT's District 1, District 7, Office of Transportation System Management, Minnesota Management and Budget, and Office of Sustainability and Public Health. Presentations included from Greater Mankato Growth, Minnesota Senate staff, the Minnesota Transportation Alliance, the Mankato Heritage Preservation Commission, MnDOT, and fellow MPOs.



AGENDA RECOMMENDATION
Agenda Heading: Informational: 2026 Second
Quarter reports
No: 6.3

Agenda Item: Informational: 2026 Second Quarter reports.

Recommendation Action(s): Informational

Summary: Per the host agency agreement, the policy board is presented with a quarterly report including staff activities, projects status, and budget status. The 2026 second quarter report is shared with the MAPO Policy Board.



August 20, 2026 | 1:30 p.m. | Intergovernmental Center, MN River Room, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN

TAC members present: Chair John Zehnder – Nicollet County Planning Staff, Joel Hawbaker – Nicollet County Engineer, Ryan Thilges – Blue Earth County Engineer, Cory Bienfang – Mankato City Engineer, Jim Tatge – Mankato Construction and Facilities Director, Molly Westman – Mankato Community Development, Michael Fischer - North Mankato Community Development Director, Jennifer Bromeland – Eagle Lake Administrator, Christine Skarpohl Gregory – Lime Township, Scott Morgan – Mankato Township, Shawn Schloesser – Mankato Transit System, Scott Kaminski, Mankato Area Public Schools, David Cowan – Minnesota State University Mankato, Joel Hanif - Region Nine Development Commission.

Others Present: Mark Konz - Executive Director, Chris Talamantez – MAPO Transportation Planner, Angie Bersaw, Bolton & Menk.

Attending Virtually: Anna Pierce, Dena Ryan, and Bryan McCoy - MnDOT Central Office.

Call to Order

Chair Zehnder called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Ryan Thilges moved to adopt the agenda. With no discussion, the agenda was adopted.

Approval of Minutes – May 21, 2026

The minutes of the May 21, 2026, meeting were approved as read.

New Business

1. Recommendation to adopt the draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for 30-day public comment.

Shawn Schloesser moved to recommend the Policy Board adopt the 2027-2030 TIP. Motion was adopted after debate.

2. Recommendation to adopt the draft 2027-2028 Unified Planning Work Program.

Ryan Thilges moved to recommend the Policy Board adopt the 2027-2028 UPWP. Motion was adopted after debate.

3. Recommendation to adopt the amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Cory Bienfang moved to recommend the adoption of the amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Motion was adopted after debate.

Presentation: Highway 14 Corridor Study and Intersection Control Evaluation.

Angie Bersaw, Transportation Division Leader, Angie.Bersaw@bolton-menk.com provided the presentation. [Tinyurl.com/Highway14CorridorPlan](https://tinyurl.com/Highway14CorridorPlan)

Presentation: Expansion Project Emissions and Offset.

Anna Pierce, MnDOT's Office of Sustainability & Public Health, provided the presentation.
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Other Business, Discussion & Updates

2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Modification

Update on 2026 Statewide Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Conference.

Unapproved June 4, 2026, MAPO Policy Board meeting minutes.

TAC Comments

None

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Chair John Zehnder