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AGENDA

APO POLICY BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023 - 4:30 P.M. GREAT RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY, BREMER ROOM 1300 W ST GERMAIN ST, ST CLOUD, MN 56301

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Public Comment Period
- 5. Approve Consent Agenda Items (*Attachments A D*)
 - a. Approve Minutes of June 8, 2023 Policy Board Meeting (Attachment A)
 - b. Approve Bills Lists (Attachments B1 B3)
 - c. Receive Staff Report of June 15, 2023 Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP-3) meeting (*Attachment C*)
 - d. Receive Staff Report on July 27, 2023 Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (*Attachment D*)
- 6. Consider Draft 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program (Attachment E), Brian Gibson, Executive Director
 - a. Suggested Action: Approve 2024-2025 UPWP
- 7. Consider Regional Transportation Vision for 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, (Attachment F), Vicki Johnson, Senior Planner
 - a. Suggested Action: Approve Regional Transportation Vision and 2050 MTP Project Lists
- 8. Consider 2023 Regional Transportation Priorities (*Attachment G*), Brian Gibson, *Executive Director*
 - a. Suggested Action: Approve 2023 Regional Transportation Priorities
- 9. Review Draft Project List for 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, (Attachments H1 & H2), Vicki Johnson, Senior Planner
 - a. Suggested Action: None, informational only

10.Consider Draft Saint Cloud Urban Area Boundary Adjustments (Attachments I1 & I2), James Stapfer, Planning Technician

a. Suggested Action: None, informational only

- 11.Other Business & Announcements
- 12.Adjournment

English

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SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY BOARD Thursday, June 8, 2023 – 4:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board was held on Thursday, June 8, at 4:30 p.m. APO Chair Raeanne Danielowski presided with the following members:

Ryan Daniel Dave Kleis Jake Anderson Jeff Westerlund Tim Elness Dottie Seamans Jared Gapinski	Metro Bus City of Saint Cloud City of Saint Cloud LeSauk Township City of Sartell City of Sauk Rapids Benton County
Mike Conway	Denton County
Also in attendance were: Brian Gibson Alex McKenzie Vicki Johnson	Saint Cloud APO Saint Cloud APO Saint Cloud APO
Online participants were:	

Anna Pierce

Office of Sustainability and Public Health

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Gapinski motioned to approve the agenda, and Ms. Seamans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: No members of the public were in attendance.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Approve Minutes of May 11, 2023, Policy Board Meeting.

b. Approve Bills Lists.

c. Approve Administrative Modification to FY2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

d. Receive Staff Report on May 26, 2023, Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee.

Mr. Kleis motioned to approve the consent agenda items, and Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hear a Presentation on the Minnesota Carbon Reduction Strategy

Ms. Pierce virtually presented on the Carbon Reduction Strategy (CRS). Minnesota's CRS will identify priority strategies to reduce carbon from transportation in Minnesota and determine how to spend Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds.

Mr. Kleis asked if the Policy Board should do the survey that was presented online. Mr. Gibson responded that there is a link and code specific to the Policy Board. Mr. Kleis affirmed that the survey needs to be completed within the next seven days, and Mr. Gibson confirmed.

Mr. Gibson stated that there are a lot of eligible projects under the CRP, and the goal of the CRS is to prioritize investment categories. Mr. Gibson asked Ms. Pierce if the state's priorities affect our local priorities. Ms. Pierce answered yes; the statewide guidance should be used as a benchmark, and the CRS will guide any programs that may reduce carbon. Mr. Gibson added that the TAC and Policy Board discussed CRP-eligible projects. In these discussions, the consensus has been that if there is already funding for a program such as bikeways, CRP funds should be used on a program without dedicated funding.

Ms. Danielowski asked if the TAC had seen this presentation. Mr. Gibson responded with no, this is a policy matter, not a technical concern.

Mr. Kleis was concerned that the survey for the Policy Board could get skewed if other people participated in the survey. Ms. Pierce answered that the link and code to this survey were only shared with APO Policy Board members, and every other MPO has a different link and code associated with the survey. There is also a public link on the Let's Talk Transportation website.

Mr. Kleis asked that the results are shared with the Policy Board and notified if there is an anomaly. He also asked for the link to the public version of the survey that could be shared. Ms. Pierce asked Mr. Gibson to share the public survey link with the Policy Board members and affirmed that she would share the results. Ms. Pierce said they are getting input from MPOs and members of the public across the state, from MnDOT leadership and the CRP sub-working group.

Ms. Danielowski asked for a copy of the presentation to be emailed to the Policy Board.

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Consider Release of the Draft 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Public Review and Comment

Ms. Johnson presented on the TIP, which spans a period of four fiscal years and is updated on an annual basis. APO staff have cooperated with local jurisdictions, Saint Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission and Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) District 3 staff for several months to produce the yearly update to the APO's TIP. APO staff are in the final stages of preparing the FY 2024-2027 TIP for final approval and incorporation into the Minnesota State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). To do this, APO staff must release the FY 2024-2027 TIP for a 30-day public comment period.

Mr. Westerlund motioned to approve the release of the Draft 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for public review and comment, and Mr. Kleis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hear Presentation on NorthStar Study

Mr. Gibson presented on the NorthStar Study. The Metropolitan Council has developed the Northstar Rail Corridor Post-Pandemic Study to inform decisionmaking regarding the future of the Northstar Rail Corridor. Recognizing the decline in ridership and operational challenges precipitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, this study outlines and evaluates potential scenarios for providing transit service in the Northstar Corridor, including the continuation of commuter rail service, extension to Saint Cloud, and replacement with bus service.

Ms. Danielowski stated that a partner county no longer favors NorthStar since COVID reduced the ridership and the service has been reduced. Ms. Danielowski is also worried about the possibility of replacing Northstar with buses since US 10 does not have bus-only lanes and is not designed for buses.

Mr. Conway stated that additional lanes were added to I-94, so Northstar might not be needed. Also, public support from around the state may not be there, along with safety concerns in Minneapolis. Ms. Danielowski added that the Met Council is aware of the public safety concerns and is trying to address them.

Mr. Kleis added that this study is similar to the study he co-authored 27 years ago to bring the Northstar to Saint Cloud, and certain circumstances have changed since then. He also stated that it wouldn't be in the best interest of the communities to repay federal funds. Ms. Danielowski added that multiple buses would be needed to replace the Northstar service and that train cars have much more capacity, not to mention buses navigating during winter.

Mr. Kleis likes the idea of Amtrak taking over Northstar, which would be like New Jersey Transit, more of an intercity rail than commuter rail. Also, the Met Council will have difficulty operating the rail line out of its jurisdiction. Ms. Danielowski added that communities along the rail line petitioned to have stops and received federal funding based on that fact. She also added that the younger generation drives less and may want to use this service in the future.

Mr. Gapinski reminded the group that the service must remain maintained and funded. Mr. Kleis stated that Amtrak leases the BNSF station on the east side of Saint Cloud, and that area would experience development.

Mr. Conway added that the Northstar needs to be incorporated into the airport to make it cohesive. Mr. Kleis added that Metro Bus could run a service between the Northstar station and the airport.

Mr. Anderson stated that the bus option was not good, and Mr. Kleis agreed. Ms. Danielowski stated that Northstar should fall under the CRP funds. Mr. Gibson added that there is a ton of federal funding for rail, but the pandemic killed ridership and is now up in the air.

Mr. Conway added that ridership may never be at pre-pandemic levels since more people are working from home now. Mr. Gibson replied that one of the study's options is to convert Northstar from a commuter rail service to intercity rail service.

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OTHER BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No other business and announcements

Mr. Kleis motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Conway seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

ST. CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Transaction List By Vendor

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Total for EFTPS							-\$8,354.24
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MN Revenue	06/07/2023	Check	XX	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$805.00
MN Revenue	06/22/2023	Check	XX	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$805.00
Total for MN Revenue							-\$1,610.00
Adobe Creative Cloud							
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/08/2023	Bill	2472476965	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$54.99
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/11/2023	Bill	2474928115	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$54.99
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/13/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$54.99
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/13/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$54.99
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/21/2023	Bill	2482805554	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$21.51
Adobe Creative Cloud	06/21/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$21.51
Total for Adobe Creative Cloud							\$262.98
Liberty Savings Bank							
Liberty Savings Bank	06/12/2023	Check	XX	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$438.83
Total for Liberty Savings Bank							-\$438.83
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Hotels.com	06/15/2023	Bill	WashingtonDCHotel2Rms	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$2,479.72
Hotels.com	06/15/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$2,479.72
Total for Hotels.com							\$4,959.44
Delta Air							
Delta Air	06/15/2023	Bill	0062117763753	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$1,795.60
Delta Air	06/15/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$1,795.60
Total for Delta Air							\$3,591.20
AFLAC							
AFLAC	06/15/2023	Bill Payment (Check)	XX	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$832.04
Total for AFLAC							-\$832.04
Secura Insurance Companies	0.6 /20 /2022	ווית	2200541 42				#2(F 00
Secura Insurance Companies	06/20/2023	Bill	220851June13	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$265.00
Secura Insurance Companies	06/30/2023	Bill Payment (Check)	UBHC5QR8	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$265.00
Total for Secura Insurance Companies							\$0.00
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berganKDV	06/21/2023	Bill Payment (Check)	9B8CZQ22	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$11,015.00
Total for berganKDV							-\$11,015.00
Avallo Web Development							
Avallo Web Development	06/22/2023	Bill Payment (Check)	TB4CVQDC	Yes		Liberty Checking account	-\$2,268.00
Total for Avallo Web Development			12101 (20				-\$2,268.00
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	0.6 /00 /0000	Bill	E0300NYU9W	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$67.27
Microsoft	06/22/2023			Yes		VISA 2733	\$67.27
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Microsoft Total for Microsoft		Bill Payment (Credit Card)	213205	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$134.34
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VENDOR NAME	TRANSACTION DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	TRANSACTION NUMBER	POSTING	MEMO	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
St Cld Human Services Council	06/26/2023	Bill	30863351107	Yes		Accounts Payable	\$40.00
St Cld Human Services Council	06/26/2023	Bill Payment (Credit Card)		Yes		VISA 2733	\$40.00
Total for St Cld Human Services Council							\$80.00
St. Cloud Postmaster							
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	06/26/2023 06/26/2023	Bill Bill Payment (Credit Card)	116294	Yes Yes		Accounts Payable VISA 2733	\$15.75 \$15.75

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Method Of Payment	To Whom Paid	What Check is for	Account	Amount
Direct Dep.	Net Payroll (including insurance reimbursement)	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 9,694.29
Electronic	Expense Reimbursemt - Employee mileage	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ -
Electronic	Social Security, Medicare & Federal Tax PAID	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 3,094.04
Electronic	MN Department of Revenue-Withholding PAID	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 805.00
Electronic	PERA	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 2,107.30
Electronic	Great West Annuity	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 10.00
Electronic	Minnesota State Retirement System	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 150.52
Electronic	Select Account (H.S.A.)	7/5/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 423.34
Direct Dep.	Net Payroll (including insurance reimbursement)	7/20/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 9,694.29
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Electronic	Select Account (H.S.A.)	8/20/2023 Payroll Paid	Payroll	\$ 423.34
Credit Card	Adobe Creative Cloud - July 2023	Subscription service to PDF software	IT Support & Software	\$ 146.32
Credit Card	Adobe Creative Cloud - August 2023	Subscription service to PDF software	IT Support & Software	\$ 146.32
Check	AFLAC - July 2023	Employee Addtl Insurance	Payroll	\$ 735.38
Check	AFLAC - August 2023	Employee Addtl Insurance	Payroll	\$ 735.38
Check	Alex Mckenzie mileage reimbmt - July estimate	Mileage Reimbursement	Travel	\$ 200.00
Check	Alex Mckenzie mileage reimbmt - August estimate	Mileage Reimbursement	Travel	\$ 200.00
Electronic	BCBS of MN - July 2023	Employee Health Insurance	Payroll	\$ 3,641.77
Electronic	BCBS of MN - August 2023	Employee Health Insurance	Payroll	\$ 3,641.77
Check	CAIRO	CAIRO-twenty surveys	Hard-to-Reach Liaisons Project	\$ 2,000.00
Check	City of St Cloud - Water/Sewer - July 2023	Utilities - water / sewer	Utilities	\$ 50.00
Check	City of St Cloud - Water/Sewer - August 2023	Utilities - water / sewer	Utilities	\$ 50.00
Check	Cloudnet - July 2023	Internet Service	Utilities	\$ 10.00
Check	Cloudnet - August 2023	Internet Service	Utilities	\$ 10.00
Check	David Turch & Associates- July 2023	Lobbyist Services	Lobbying	\$ 4,000.00
Check	David Turch & Associates- August 2023	Lobbyist Services	Lobbying	\$ 4,000.00
Check	Delta Dental - July 2023	Employee dental insurance	Payroll	\$ 236.65
Check	Delta Dental - August 2023	Employee dental insurance	Payroll	\$ 236.65
Check	ESRI Inc	IT Support - ArcGIS Desktop Basic Single User	IT Support & Software	\$ 1,106.10
Credit Card	Google Inc - estimate - July 2023	G Suite Basic - Commitment	Utilities	\$ 48.00

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Method Of Payment	To Whom Paid	What Check is for	Account	Amount
Credit Card	Google Inc - estimate - August 2023	G Suite Basic - Commitment	Utilities	\$ 48.00
		6622.29 CPG Passthrough Expense:Hard-to-R	each Hard-to-Reach Liaisons Project	
Check	Independent Lifestyles Inc	Liaisons	,	\$ 3,150.00
		St Cloud APO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation	Plan CPG Passthrough Expenses	
Check	KLJ Engineering LLC - Estimate	Support		\$ 5,950.00
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Check	KLJ Engineering LLC - Estimate	Support		\$ 5,950.00
Check	Loffler Companies - estimate - July 2023	Copier Supplies	Copy Machine	\$ 150.00
Check	Loffler Companies - estimate - August 2023	Copier Supplies	Copy Machine	\$ 150.00
Credit Card	Mailchimp.com - estimate - July 2023	Monthly IT Support	IT Support & Software	\$ 20.00
Credit Card	Mailchimp.com - estimate - August 2023	Monthly IT Support	IT Support & Software	\$ 20.00
Credit Card	Neopost USA, Inc.	Postage Meter	Meter Lease	\$ 59.25
Credit Card	Neopost USA, Inc.	Postage Meter	Postage	\$ 200.00
Check	Metro Sales Inc - July 2023	Monthly IT Support	IT Support & Software	\$ 1,079.00
Check	Metro Sales Inc - August 2023	Monthly IT Support	IT Support & Software	\$ 1,079.00
Check	Premium Water Inc - estimate - July 2023	office drinking water	Utilities	\$ 65.00
Check	Premium Water Inc - estimate - August 2023	office drinking water	Utilities	\$ 65.00
Check	Principal Financial - July 2023	Emloyee disability insurance	Payroll	\$ 272.00
Check	Principal Financial - August 2023	Emloyee disability insurance	Payroll	\$ 272.00
Credit Card	Quill.com - estimate - July 2023	Office Supplies	office Supplies	\$ 160.00
Credit Card	Quill.com - estimate - August 2023	Office Supplies	office Supplies	\$ 50.00
Check	Schroden's Inc - Estimate - July 2023	Snow Removal	Maintenance	\$ 1,000.00
Check	Schroden's Inc - Estimate - August 2023	Snow Removal	Maintenance	\$ 600.00
Check	Spectrum Business (Charter) - July 2023	Internet Service	Utilities	\$ 420.00
Check	Spectrum Business (Charter) - August 2023	Internet Service	Utilities	\$ 420.00
Electronic	Stearns Electric Association - July 2023	Utilities - electric	Utilities	\$ 150.00
Electronic	Stearns Electric Association - August 2023	Utilities - electric	Utilities	\$ 150.00
Credit Card	SC Times - estimate - estimate - July 2023	Public Postings	Printing/Publishing	\$ 349.00
Credit Card	SC Times - estimate - estimate - August 2023	Public Postings	Printing/Publishing	\$ 200.00
Credit Card	St Cloud Chamber	Educational Meeting	Professional Development	\$ 35.00
Check	The MN Transportation Alliance Inc	Membership Dues	Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 90.00
Check	Vicki Johnson	Mileage Reimbursement	Travel	\$ 68.50
Check	Weisman Cleaning Inc - estimate - July 2023	Office Cleaning Services	Maintenance	\$ 150.00
Check	Weisman Cleaning Inc - estimate - August 2023	Office Cleaning Services	Maintenance	\$ 150.00
Check	West Central Sanitation Inc - estimate - July 2023	Utility - garbage	Utilities	\$ 55.00
Check	West Central Sanitation Inc - estimate - August 2023	Utility - garbage	Utilities	\$ 55.00
Electronic	Xcel Energy - estimate - July 2023	Utilities - gas	Utilities	\$ 485.00
Electronic	Xcel Energy - estimate - August 2023	Utilities - gas	Utilities	\$ 485.00
Check	Abdo Financial Solutions	Accounting services - July 2023	Accounting Services	\$ 4,642.16
Check	Abdo Financial Solutions	Accounting services - August 2023	Accounting Services	\$ 4,642.16
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TOTAL

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TO:	Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board
FROM:	Vicki Johnson, Senior Transportation Planner
RE:	Staff Report on June 15, 2023, Central Minnesota Area Transportation
	Partnership ATP-3 meeting
DATE:	June 29, 2023

The Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP-3) met in Saint Cloud on Thursday, June 15, 2023. At that meeting, the following topics were discussed:

- 1. Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Solicitation
 - a. MnDOT District 3 Engineering Specialist/Program Coordinator Jeff Lenz outlined the intent of the PROTECT program to assist in making transportation infrastructure projects more resilient to current and future extreme weather events. Mr. Lenz said MnDOT District 3 has approximately \$2 million to allocate between years 2024 and 2026. This funding is designed to complement projects already in the STIP and can include improvements such as stabilizing slide areas or slopes, increasing the size or number of drainage structures, or strengthening systems that remove rainwater from surface transportation facilities. Mr. Lenz said a solicitation for PROTECT funding will be coming out in July.
- 2. 2023 End of Session Legislative Update
 - a. MnDOT Office of Government Affairs Legislative Affairs Manager John Dukich provided a debriefing of the 2023 Minnesota Legislative session. He outlined the three main issues addressed by lawmakers in Saint Paul: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) trunk highway budget authority, IIJA matching funds, and climate change. He stated there was no transportation bill done during this legislative session. Mr. Dukich provided information on the new transportation related revenue sources which included the following: indexing the gas tax to inflation, adjusting the motor vehicle registration tax, and developing a new "transportation advancement account (TAA)." The TAA includes a \$0.50 fee on non-food or non-tax exempt deliveries as well as placing 56.5% of the sales tax on auto parts into a holding account. The TAA will be used to fund projects like county state-aid highways; town roads; and provide assistance for large cities, small cities, the metropolitan counties, and food delivery.
 - b. Mr. Dukich discussed various items included as part of the omnibus bill. This included funding being set aside for local roads (\$85 million); local bridges (\$67 million); local road wetland mitigation (\$12 million); water ports (\$18 million); freight rail program (\$9.6 million); railroad grade crossings (\$3.6 million); greater Minnesota transit (\$3 million); and the TEDI program (\$1.5 million). In addition, several specific projects were identified (earmarked) as well.
 - c. Mr. Dukich also provided an updated on the Corridors of Commerce program. He said the lawmakers decided to pull \$25 million from the state's general

fund in FY 2024 and FY 2025 for the CoC program. He did state there were some policy changes to this program – essentially splitting the funding pots into three categories for "regional balance". Regional balance will look like: Metro Projects: 25-27.5% of funds; Metro Connector Projects: 35-37.5% of funds; and Regional Center Projects: 35-40% of funds.

- d. Finally, Mr. Dukich provided an update on the state's sustainability planning. He said effective Feb. 1, 2025, expansion projects programmed into the STIP must indicate how they will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled. A GHG Emissions Impact Mitigation Working Group will be convened starting Aug. 1 to address some of these changes.
- 3. FY 2023-2026 Local Program Update
 - a. MnDOT District 3 State-Aid Engineer Angie Tomovic provided an update on the locally funded projects (Surface Transportation Block Grant, Transportation Alternatives, Highway Safety Improvement Program) within District 3. All projects seem to be moving forward. Ms. Tomovic indicated the two projects slated to receive Local Partnership Program (LPP) funding – Wright County and the City of Monticello – are being delayed slightly due to ongoing work/approvals needed.
- 4. 2024-2027 Draft ATP-3 Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP) Update
 - a. Mr. Lenz said work is pretty much completed on the draft 2024-2027 ATIP. He said there are approximately 250 projects programmed in District 3 costing an estimated \$817 million.
- 5. MnDOT District 3 Draft 10-Year Capital Highway Investment Plan 2024-2033
 - a. Mr. Lenz provided a brief update on the development of the CHIP. He said there are approximately 160 MnDOT projects occurring during these upcoming 10 years.
- 6. Special Solicitations
 - a. Mr. Lenz provided approximate solicitation timelines for several programs.
 - i. FY 2024-2025 PROTECT solicitation will kick off in mid-July.
 - ii. Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) will have information being distributed soon.
 - iii. Transportation Economic Development (TED) program have solicitation start this fall.

Suggested Action: None, informational only.



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TO:Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy BoardFROM:Vicki Johnson, Senior Transportation PlannerRE:Staff Report on the July 27, 2023, Technical Advisory Committee meetingDATE:July 28, 2023

The Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization's (APO's) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) held a regular meeting on Thursday, July 27, 2023. At that meeting, the following topics were discussed:

- 1. Consideration of the 2050 MTP Cost Estimates and Initial 2050 Build Travel Demand Model Results
 - a. KLJ Project Manager Joe DeVore provided an overview of the work KLJ is doing regarding the development of the initial 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) model runs. Mr. DeVore discussed the results of the 2020 existing conditions model as well as provided a comparison of the existing conditions run to the 2050 No-Build model run. Mr. DeVore reviewed the list of projects originally proposed by jurisdictional staff to include in the first 2050 Build model run. Mr. DeVore then provided a comparison of the existing conditions, 2050 No-Build, and 2050 Initial Build Model in terms of lane miles approaching congestion, changes in vehicle miles traveled (VMT), vehicle hours traveled (VHT) and changes in delay. TAC representatives reviewed the proposed model runs and indicated they would like additional time to propose some changes to the initial MTP project list to be incorporated into the second model run. Deadline for any of the proposed changes is Friday, Aug. 4.
- 2. Consideration of the draft Looking Ahead 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Transportation Visioning Themes
 - a. APO Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson provided an overview of the draft Looking Ahead 2050 MTP visioning process. She reviewed the work APO staff did in conducting public outreach, reviewing public comments, categorizing them into six themes, and the subsequent public outreach asking members of the public to weigh in on the themes. The proposed visioning themes are as follows (listed in no particular order):
 - i. System and Environmental Stewardship.
 - ii. Multimodal Connections.
 - iii. Congestion Management.
 - iv. Transportation Safety.
 - v. Interregional Connections.
 - vi. Technological Advancements.
 - b. APO TAC representatives recommended Policy Board approval of the draft visioning themes.

- 3. Consideration of the draft Saint Cloud APO Urbanized Area Boundary
 - a. APO Transportation Planning Technician James Stapfer discussed work APO staff has been doing to adjust the urban area boundaries as a result of the 2020 Census. Mr. Stapfer provided an overview of the process, it's importance, as well as some overarching guidelines utilized to update the boundaries. TAC representatives reviewed the proposed changes to the urban area and asked for additional time to look over and provide comments. Deadline for any proposed changes to the urban area boundary are due Friday, Aug. 4.
- 4. Consideration of the draft 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - a. APO Executive Director Brian Gibson discussed the proposed UPWP for 2024 and 2025. Mr. Gibson indicated a substantial increase is anticipated in 2024 due to two one-time expenses: the Congressionally Directed Spending award of \$800,000 for the environmental work for the Mississippi River crossing as well as the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant. TAC representatives recommended Policy Board approval of the draft UPWP as presented.
- 5. Consideration of the 2023 Regional Transportation Priorities
 - a. Mr. Gibson held a discussion on the proposed regional transportation priorities the APO would like to include as part of the congressional briefing booklet he and the Policy Board chair will use when they are out lobbying in Washington, D.C. this fall. TAC representatives recommended the following projects:
 - i. Benton County CSAH 29 extension.
 - ii. Supporting implementation of the US 10 planning study.
 - iii. MN 15 operational improvements.

Suggested Action: None, informational only.



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TO: Saint Cloud APO Policy Board
FROM: Brian Gibson, Executive Director
RE: 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program
DATE: July 31, 2023

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is both our budget and our work plan. It identifies funding sources, revenues, expenditures, and the tasks we expect to accomplish each calendar year. I need to provide a final UPWP to MnDOT by September 1st each year to ensure our funding is properly obligated prior to January 1st of the following year.

For 2024, we are expecting \$673,359 from our USDOT planning grant, also called our Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG). These are formula funds that require a 20% local match.

In addition, per the direction from the APO Policy Board, I did apply for a Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) grant on July 10th. We will not find out if we have been awarded a grant until later this year, but I am including it in this budget just in case. (It's easier to take it out of the budget then put it in afterwards). These funds require a 20% local match.

We were also awarded \$800,000 in Congressionally Directed Spending to complete the environmental review for a potential new bridge crossing of the Mississippi River at 33rd Street South in St. Cloud. These funds also require a 20% local match. The APO Policy Board has long considered the entire beltline corridor to be a regional facility for which all jurisdictions should share in the cost of developing. Therefore, I am including the \$1,000,000 environmental assessment here and propose spreading the local match cost among all APO jurisdictions.

Other contracts proposed for 2024 include:

- Continuing our Community Liaisons program to better reach and include people who have been traditionally underserved in the planning process. In 2023 we worked with community organizations Independent Lifestyles and CAIRO to reach the clients that they serve. I'm proposing a budget of just \$8,000 for 2024.
- Upgrading our regional Travel Demand Model to include time-of-day traffic distribution to the model output. The current model only provides one daily traffic volume number. But understanding peak-hour traffic can be important to corridor planning and design. (\$45,000)

 While working with TAC members to identify future corridor improvements for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, it became clear that there was uncertainty about which corridors would be future arterials and collectors. So, I am proposing a regional planning effort to identify and map future federal-aid corridors so that everyone knows which roadways will serve as those longer-distance, limited-access corridors. (\$100,000)

Work Activity Category	Federal Funding (CPG)	State Funding	Local Match - State Grant	Other Local Funds	Total Funding
100 Administration & Overhead	\$235,769	\$21,139	\$5,287	\$37,805	\$300,000
200 Budget & UPWP	\$10,413	\$934	\$233	\$1,670	\$13,250
300 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	\$37,134	\$3,329	\$832	\$5,955	\$47,250
400 Transportation System Performance Monitoring (TSPM)	\$27,900	\$2,502	\$625	\$4,473	\$35,500
500 Planning Project Development	\$35,562	\$3,189	\$797	\$5,702	\$45,250
600 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)	\$57,961	\$5,197	\$1,299	\$9,293	\$73,750
610 MTP – Active Transportation Planning	\$38,509	\$3,453	\$863	\$6,175	\$49,000
620 MTP - Transit Planning	\$7,073	\$634	\$159	\$1,134	\$9,000
630 MTP - Freight Planning, Economic Vitality & Tourism	\$3,930	\$352	\$88	\$630	\$5,000
640 MTP - Safety, Security & Environmental Planning	\$7,859	\$705	\$176	\$1,260	\$10,000
700 Transportation Planning Coordination & Public Outreach	\$74,465	\$6,677	\$1,669	\$11,939	\$94,750
800 Transportation Modeling, Mapping & Technical Support	\$15,718	\$1,409	\$352	\$2,521	\$20,000
900 Locally Funded Activities	\$0	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$11,500	\$26,500
Sub-Total for APO Staff and Operations	\$552,293	\$61,520	\$15,380	\$100,057	\$729,250
Contract Services: David Turch & Associates	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$48,000	\$48,000
Contract Services: Community Liaisons for Hard-to-Reach Populations	\$6,400	\$0	\$0	\$1,600	\$8,000
Contract Services: Travel Demand Model Improvements	\$36,000	\$0	\$0	\$9,000	\$45,000
Contract Services: Regional Arterial and Collector Roadway Planning	\$78,666	\$0	\$0	\$21,334	\$100,000
Contract Services: Environmental Work for Mississippi River Bridge	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$1,000,000
Contract Services: Safe Streets and Roads for All	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$150,000
Grand Total Expenses	\$1,593,359	\$61,520	\$15,380	\$409,991	\$2,080,250

All of these projects and grants add up to the largest budget the APO has ever had in recent history – over \$2 million – which is more than double our normal annual budget. That corresponds to an increase in the need for local matching funds too.

Α	APO BUDGET HISTORY 2019 - 2024					
Line Item	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Staff Salaries and Benefits	\$428,075	\$436,500	\$463,750	\$470,500	\$512,000	\$552,004
Overhead	\$94,200	\$88,850	\$96,360	\$92,000	\$119,750	\$150,746
Consultant Studies	\$162,000	\$497,000	\$445,000	\$325,000	\$263,500	\$1,303,000
Sub-Total for CPG Eligible Expenses	\$684,275	\$1,022,350	\$1,005,110	\$887,500	\$895,250	\$2,005,750
Turch & Associates	\$48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000
Staff Time for Legislative Communications	\$7,200	\$6,700	\$4,250	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$6,500
Audit	\$7,750	\$8,000	\$8,250	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$15,000
Legislative Comm. Travel	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Sub-Total for Other	\$67,950	\$67,700	\$65,500	\$66,000	\$73,000	\$74,500
Grand Total	\$752,225	\$1,090,050	\$1,070,610	\$953,500	\$968,250	\$2,080,250

APO Assessments History								
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	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
St. Cloud	\$61,847.00	\$122,218.00	\$62,037.00	\$107,149.00	\$67,687.00	\$200,343.02	\$87,433.80	
Sauk Rapids	\$12,305.00	\$12,477.00	\$12,581.00	\$13,883.00	\$13,485.00	\$40,039.97	\$17,462.34	
Sartell	\$16,441.00	\$16,721.00	\$16,922.00	\$18,974.00	\$19,446.00	\$57,143.53	\$24,828.83	
Waite Park	\$7,622.00	\$7,643.00	\$7,582.00	\$8,166.00	\$8,720.00	\$24,696.31	\$10,642.74	
St. Joseph	\$6,044.00	\$6,290.00	\$6,361.00	\$7,149.00	\$7,011.00	\$20,655.65	\$9,094.92	
LeSauk Twn	\$1,228.00	\$1,237.00	\$1,237.00	\$1,385.00	\$1,133.00	\$3,989.51	\$1,909.03	
Stearns Co	\$20,671.00	\$37,786.00	\$20,752.00	\$21,552.00	\$71,726.00	\$48,748.10	\$17,249.94	
Benton Co	\$6,798.00	\$6,787.00	\$6,792.00	\$27,348.00	\$7,237.00	\$18,050.77	\$6,901.00	
Sherburne Co	\$2,267.00	\$2,271.00	\$2,251.00	\$2,414.00	\$2,936.00	\$8,132.28	\$3,344.93	
Metro Bus	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	\$8,776.09	\$4,199.47	
Total	\$143,523.00	\$221,730.00	\$144,815.00	\$216,320.00	\$207,681.00	\$430,575.22	\$183,067.00	
% Change		54.49%	-34.69%	49.38%	-3.99%	107.33%	-57.48%	

		2024 Local Match Assessments						
	APO 2024 Operations Assessment	Travel Demand Model Improve	Regional Arterials & Collectors	Environmental Work for Bridge	SS4A	Community Liaison	David Turch Contract	Total Assessments
St. Cloud	\$55,229.45	\$4,298.45	\$12,578.70	\$95,521.09	\$14,328.16	\$764.17	\$17,623.00	\$200,343.02
Sauk Rapids	\$11,030.46	\$858.49	\$2,512.23	\$19,077.54	\$2,861.63	\$152.62	\$3,547.00	\$40,039.97
Sartell	\$15,683.67	\$1,220.64	\$3,572.01	\$27,125.40	\$4,068.81	\$217.00	\$5,256.00	\$57,143.53
Waite Park	\$6,722.72	\$523.22	\$1,531.12	\$11,627.16	\$1,744.07	\$93.02	\$2,455.00	\$24,696.31
St. Joseph	\$5,745.00	\$447.13	\$1,308.44	\$9,936.16	\$1,490.42	\$79.49	\$1,649.00	\$20,655.65
LeSauk Twn	\$1,205.88	\$93.85	\$274.64	\$2,085.61	\$312.84	\$16.68	\$0.00	\$3,989.51
Stearns Co	\$10,896.30	\$848.05	\$2,481.67	\$18,845.50	\$2,826.82	\$150.76	\$12,699.00	\$48,748.10
Benton Co	\$4,359.16	\$339.27	\$992.81	\$7,539.31	\$1,130.90	\$60.31	\$3,629.00	\$18,050.77
Sherburne Co	\$2,112.90	\$164.44	\$481.22	\$3,654.33	\$548.15	\$29.23	\$1,142.00	\$8,132.28
Metro Bus	\$2,652.68	\$206.46	\$604.16	\$4,587.90	\$688.19	\$36.70	\$0.00	\$8,776.09
Total	\$115,638.22	\$9,000.00	\$26,337.00	\$200,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$1,600.00	\$48,000.00	\$430,575.22

I recognize the burden this may put on the jurisdictions. The increase is exclusively the result of the two one-time grants – the SS4A grant and the Congressionally Directed Spending. As you develop your own 2024 budgets, please include this increase in your calculations.

If you need more details, the entire draft UPWP can be reviewed here: <u>https://bit.ly/24-25UPWP-DRAFT</u>

Suggested Action: Approve the 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program.



TO:	Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board
FROM:	Vicki Johnson, Senior Transportation Planner
RE:	Draft Looking Ahead 2050 Visioning Themes
DATE:	July 31, 2023

A Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a long-range, multimodal, regional surface transportation plan that identifies a regional vision for transportation and the steps toward achieving that vision.

MTPs are a joint product of all individual jurisdictions within a metropolitan planning area (MPA) and represent a singular, agreed upon vision for the future of transportation within that region.

By Federal regulation, MTPs must have a planning horizon of at least 20 years and must be updated no less than every five years (or every four years if the region does not meet certain air quality standards).

Contained within the MTP are regional goals, objectives, and implementing strategies which assist MPA planners, engineers, and elected officials in achieving the region's vision.

Developing, maintaining, and updating a region's MTP is the primary responsibility of a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization (APO) serves as the MPO for the urbanized area of Saint Cloud, Minnesota.

The APO's last MTP – <u>Metropolitan Planning and Programming: An Innovative Network</u> <u>Guide for 2045 (MAPPING 2045)</u> (https://bit.ly/3DPUckt) – was adopted by the APO's Policy Board in October 2019.

Following the conclusion of that planning process, APO staff conducted an internal Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) analysis to debrief the plan development process and the overall document.

During this internal meeting in December 2019, the APO's Executive Director noted one of the main weaknesses found within MAPPING 2045 was the lack of a cohesive vision for the region's transportation network. While MAPPING 2045 identified goals, objectives, and strategies for implementation – including infrastructure recommendations – the plan did not include an overarching transportation vision the Saint Cloud MPA wanted to achieve by planning horizon 2045.

To address this deficiency, APO staff sought to facilitate a community-wide visioning process as work began on the next update to the MPA's MTP. It was the intent of this process to understand the issues and priorities residents of the Saint Cloud MPA have regarding the regional transportation network.

Through the course of approximately two years, APO staff researched, developed, and conducted a visioning process. During this time, APO staff documented nearly 2,000 responses through a variety of means including both in-person and online engagement strategies. Each of these responses were recorded and categorized into six themes in which the public believes the region should be heading by planning horizon 2050.

The following is a list of those themes:

- **System and Environmental Stewardship**: Protecting and preserving our existing infrastructure and environmental assets.
- **Multimodal Connections**: Providing a safe and equitable multimodal transportation network affordable for people of all ages and abilities to travel using their preferred modal choice.
- **Congestion Management**: Mindfully planning, developing, and operating an innovative transportation network to minimize unnecessary travel delays.
- **Transportation Safety**: Reducing fatalities and serious injuries by planning, designing, and building safe infrastructure and improving driving behavior.
- **Interregional Connections**: Supporting an economically vibrant region through developing and preserving vital connections to other state, national, and global centers of commerce.
- **Technological Advancements**: Understanding and planning for future innovative transportation technologies and encouraging their presence and incorporation into the region's existing transportation network.

Each theme was constructed as a broad brushstroke. Details on how to go about accomplishing each visionary theme will be addressed through the identification of goals, objectives, strategies, and performance measures.

In March 2022, APO staff took a preliminary version of the proposed visioning themes to the TAC for their review. No comments were made regarding this.

Throughout the remainder of 2022, APO staff continued to work on the draft existing conditions section as well as launched a second public engagement opportunity. This second public engagement period which ran from early December through January 2023 asked the public to weigh in if these six visioning themes should remain a priority for the region as APO staff moved into the latter half of the MTP development – including project identification.

During this second public input period, staffers received nearly 160 survey responses. In addition, staffers also hosted or participated in seven in-person meetings as well as held three focus groups with students from all three Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Minnesota locations. Overall, responses reaffirmed APO staff's proposed visioning themes.

Details of the entire visioning process including documentation of public input throughout this process can be found here:

http://stcloudapo.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/FINAL-draft-MTP-Visioning-White-Paper.pdf

Representatives from the APO's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed the visioning themes and recommended Policy Board approval.

Suggested Action: Approval of the Looking Ahead 2050 MTP Visioning Themes.



T. 320.252.7568 F. 320.252.6557

TO:	Saint Cloud APO Policy Board
FROM:	Brian Gibson, Executive Director
RE:	2024 Regional Transportation Priorities
DATE:	July 31, 2023

Each year, the APO Board Chair and Executive Director travel to Washington DC to meet with members of Minnesota's Congressional delegation in order to educate them about our regional transportation priorities.

In 2023, we emphasized:

- Environmental review for a new Mississippi River bridge (funded)
- Environmental review for MN-15 improvements
- Benton County CSAH 29 extension

On July 27th, the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the following priorities for 2024:

- Improvements to US-10 between St. Cloud and Clear Lake
- Benton County CSAH 29 extension
- Improvements for MN-15/MN-23 intersections

There are other possibilities. Ideally, our regional priorities should be:

- Major, regional-level projects
- Projects for which there is broad regional consensus
- Projects which probably would not be funded through "normal" means, such as our formula programs
- A list of our very top 2-4 projects

Suggested Action: Approve a list of our 2024 regional transportation priorities.



T. 320.252.7568 F. 320.252.6557

TO:	Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board
FROM:	Vicki Johnson, Senior Transportation Planner
RE:	Looking Ahead 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Initial Project List
DATE:	Aug. 1, 2023

As part of the APO's update to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – our long-range transportation planning document – the APO must identify future transportation projects.

Once a project is identified in the MTP, projects can then become eligible for federal funding consideration.

It is important to note that not **ALL** roadway projects will make it into the MTP. Federal guidelines have put the following parameters on projects that can be incorporated into the document:

- 1. Projects identified must be on the functionally classified roadway network (Interstate, principal arterial, minor arterial, major collector, minor collector (urban system only)). No local streets can be eligible for inclusion.
- Projects identified must be fiscally constrained. This means that there needs to be some reasonable expectation that these projects will be able to be completed in the planning horizon using existing funding sources. This list is **NOT AN ILLUSTRATIVE** list. Future revenue projections were discussed with jurisdictional staff on what each municipality can reasonably expect to see between now and 2050.

APO staff began conversations with jurisdictional staff early this year to assemble a list of proposed projects to include in the APO's 2050 MTP.

Attached is a list of the **FISCALLY CONSTRAINED** capacity expansion and system preservation/reconstruction projects as determined by jurisdictional staff as of July 31. Please review this list carefully to ensure/confirm that projects shown are indeed needs and priorities for your respective jurisdictions. Of note, the City of Saint Jospeh has proposed several additions to the system preservation/reconstruction list. The projects denoted in red are pending fiscal constraint.

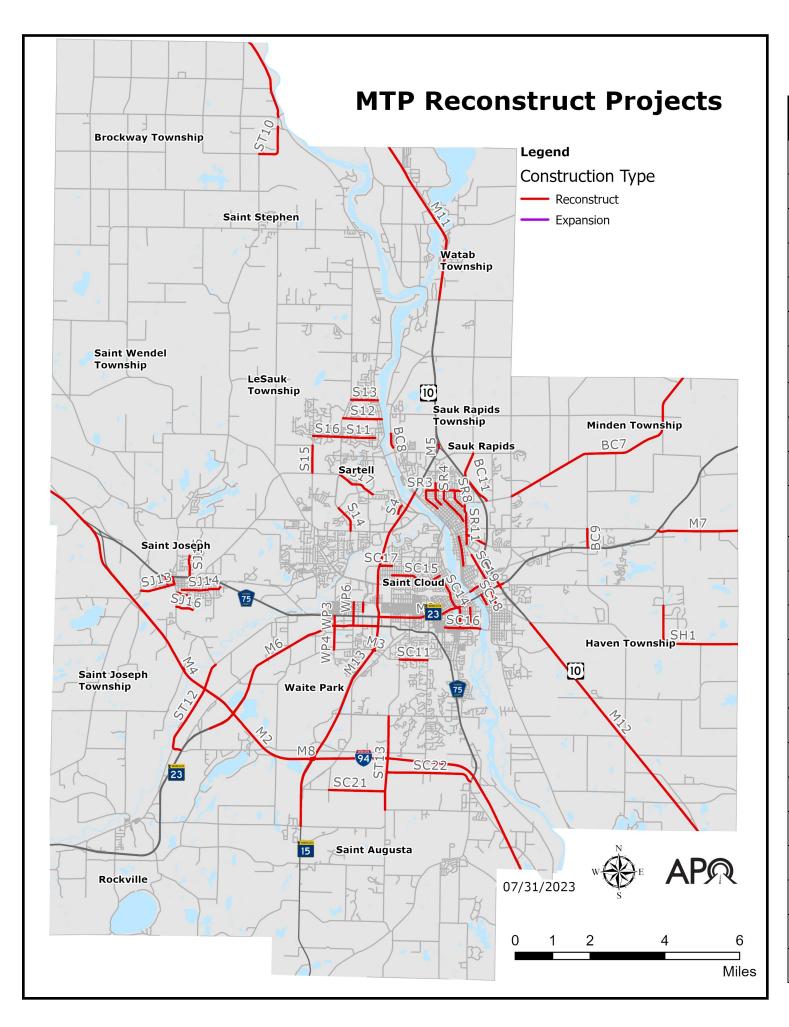
If there are any changes to the proposed list, please:

- Bring those specific changes to the Policy Board meeting.
- Contact Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson (<u>ikeogu@stcloudapo.org</u>)
 AND/OR Executive Director Brian Gibson (<u>gibson@stcloudapo.org</u>).

All changes to the proposed list **MUST** be submitted to our consultants by no later than **NOON on Friday, Aug. 11.**

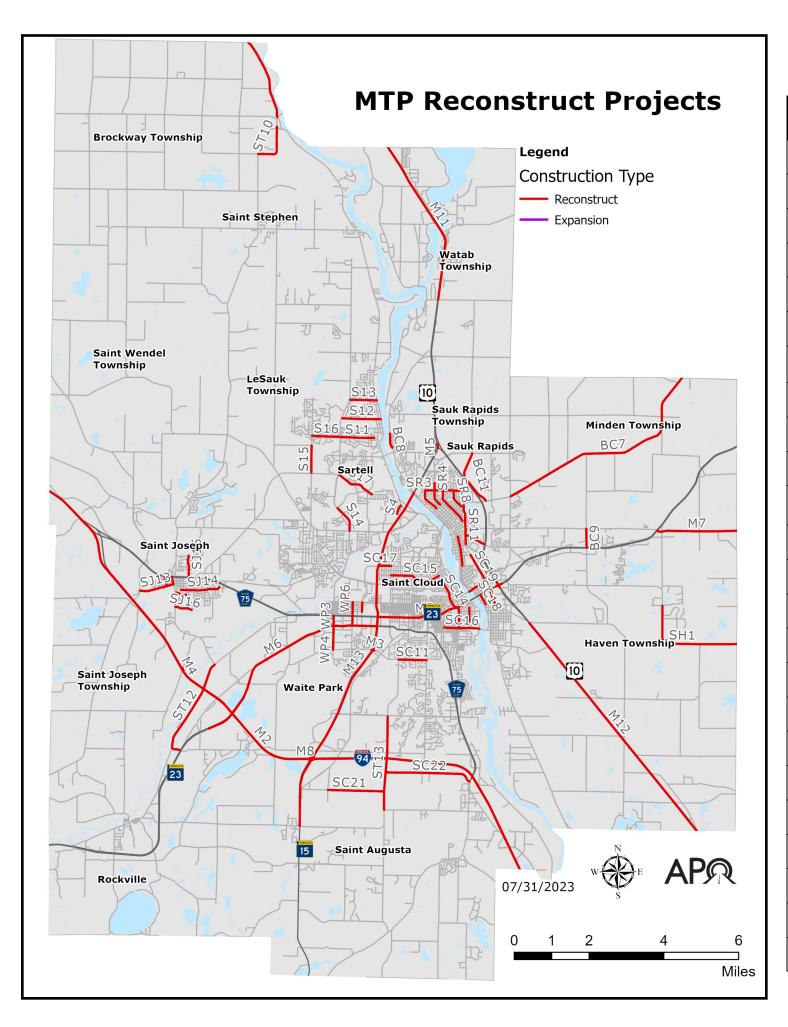
TAC representatives are also in the process of reviewing the initial draft list and will be providing their comments to APO staff by noon on Friday, Aug. 4. If TAC representatives propose any additional changes, they will be provided to you in person at the meeting.

Suggested Action: None, informational only.



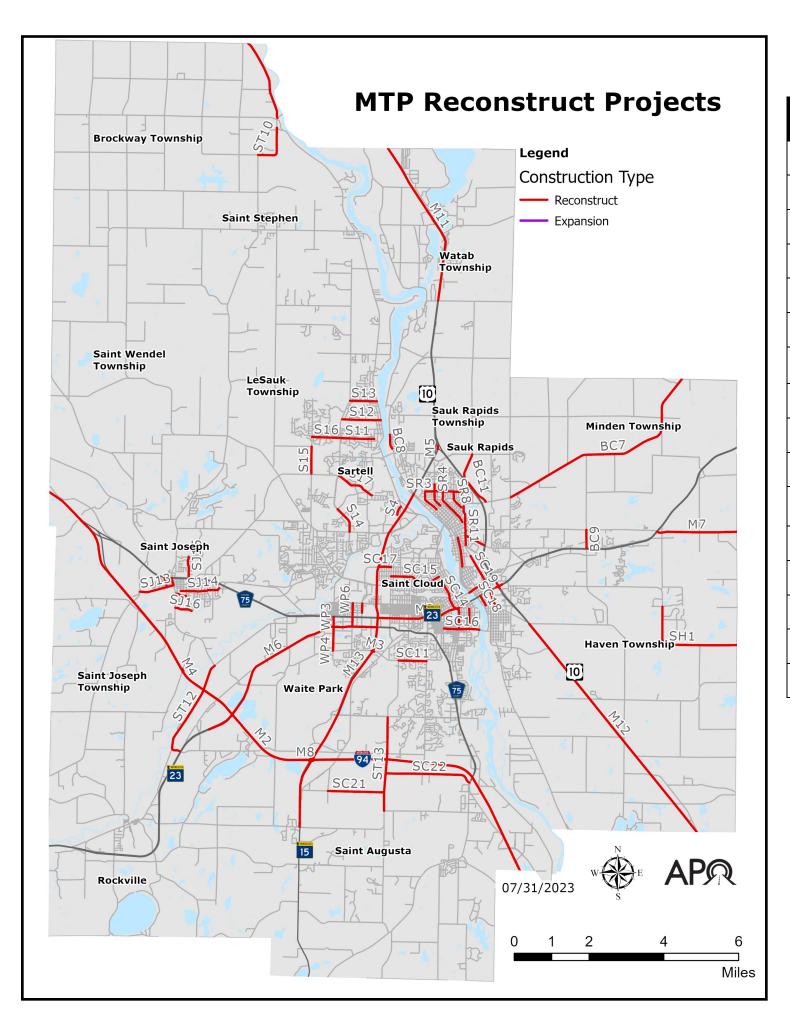
2050 APO MTP System Preservation Projects

Project ID	Jurisdiction	Roadway	Termini	Cost (in millions)	Timeframe
BC7	Benton County	CSAH 3	CSAH 1 to APO eastern planning boundary	\$3.300	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
BC11	Benton County	County Road 57 (Quarry Road)	CSAH 3 to CSAH 29	\$4.945	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
BC8	Benton County	CSAH 33 (Benton Drive)	Third Street NE to Ninth Street	\$2.859	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
BC9	Benton County	CSAH 8	MN 23 to County Road 45/80	\$2.012	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
M1	MnDOT	MN 23	US 10 interchange (CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS)	\$49.000	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M2	MnDOT	I-94	From eastern planning area boundary to western planning boundary (ITS project)	\$0.500	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M3	MnDOT	MN 15	Bridge 73019	\$0.800	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M4	MnDOT	I-94	Bridges 73877 and 73878	\$1.500	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M5	MnDOT	MN 15	Bridge 05003	\$1.850	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M6	MnDOT	MN 23	0.455 miles east of 93rd Avenue to MN 15 in Waite Park (eastbound and westbound)	\$12.450	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M7	MnDOT	MN 95	From junction with MN 23 to eastern planning boundary (entire project extends to Benton/Mille Lacs County line)	\$7.450	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
M8	MnDOT	I-94	Bridges 73855 and 73856 over MN 15	\$1.850	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
M9	MnDOT	MN 23	MN 15 to Fourth Avenue in Saint Cloud	\$7.150	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
M10	MnDOT	I-94	Bridge 73873 over MN 15	\$0.800	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
M11	MnDOT	US 10	CR 40 (Halfway Crossing) to Benton CSAH 4 in Benton County (only part of project is in APO)	\$12.700	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
M12	MnDOT	US 10	1.2 miles east of MN 23 to southern planning boundary (eastbound lanes only)	\$6.500	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
M13	MnDOT	MN 15	Stearns CSAH 47 in Saint Augusta to Benton CSAH 33 (Benton Drive)	\$12.500	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SC11	Saint Cloud	22nd Street S (MSAS 153)	Oak Grove Road (CR 136) to Cooper Avenue (MSAS 141)	\$2.987	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC19	Saint Cloud	Lincoln Avenue SE	Seventh Street SE to northern city limits	\$8.098	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC15	Saint Cloud	Centennial Drive/10th Street N	Ninth Avenue N to 33rd Avenue	\$4.991	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC20	Saint Cloud	East Saint Germain	Mississippi River to US 10	\$3.784	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC16	Saint Cloud	University Drive SE	Mississippi River to 15th Avenue SE	\$4.384	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC18	Saint Cloud	Wilson Avenue SE	Seventh Street SE to Division	\$1.096	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC17	Saint Cloud	12th Street N	MN 15 to 33rd Avenue N	\$1.526	Short-Term (2025- 2028)



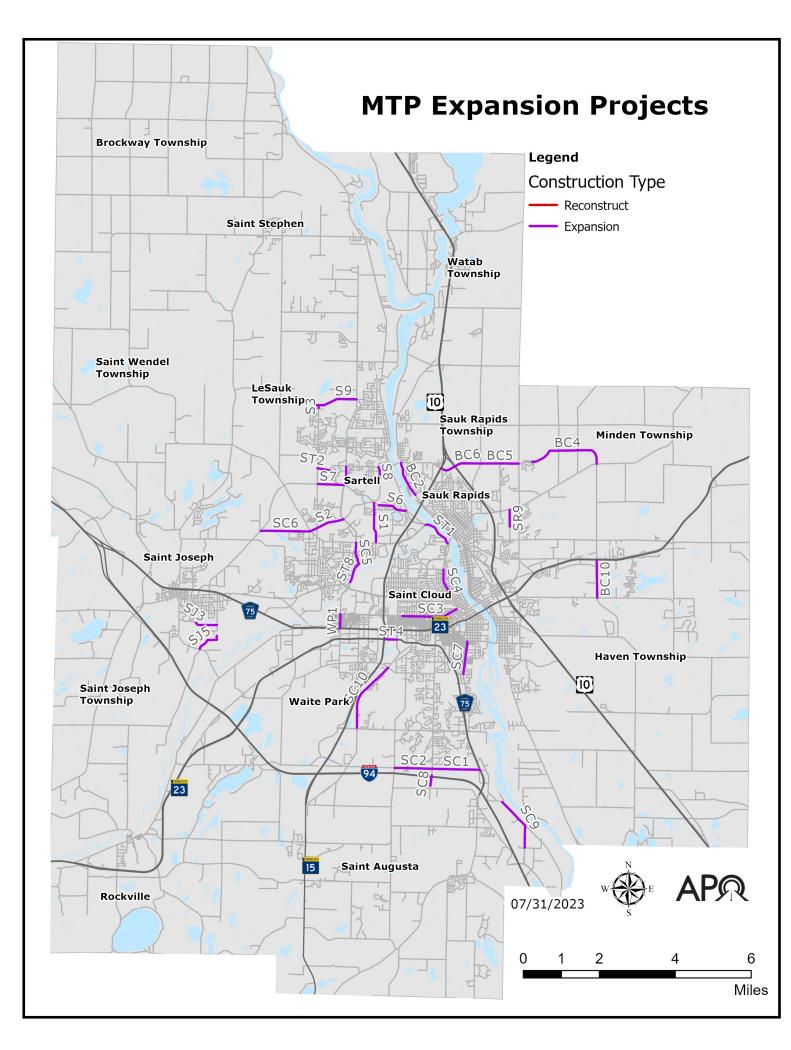
2050 APO MTP System Preservation Projects

Project ID	Jurisdiction	Roadway	Termini	Cost (in millions)	Timeframe
SC13	Saint Cloud	Fifth Avenue S	Ninth Street S to Ramsey Place	\$1.851	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC12	Saint Cloud	Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 145)	Fourth Street S to University Drive (MSAS 101)	\$2.272	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC14	Saint Cloud	Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 145)	Fourth Street S to Veterans Drive/Eighth Street N	\$2.496	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC22	Saint Cloud	255th Street	CR 136 to CR 75	\$9.293	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC21	Saint Cloud	250th Street	CR 136 to CR 74	\$9.563	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SJ11	Saint Joseph	Second Avenue NW	Minnesota Street to CSAH 75	\$0.828	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SJ12	Saint Joseph	College Avenue	Minnesota Street to CSAH 75	\$0.419	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SJ13	Saint Joseph	Minnesota Street W	CSAH 2 to College Avenue	Undetermined	Undetermined — NOT fiscally constrained
SJ14	Saint Joseph	Baker Street	Second Avenue SE to Minnesota Street E	Undetermined	Undetermined — NOT fiscally constrained
SJ15	Saint Joseph	Northland Drive	CSAH 75 to 200LF north of Jasmine Lane E	Undetermined	Undetermined — NOT fiscally constrained
SJ16	Saint Joseph	Field Street	College Avenue (CR 121) to Seventh Avenue SE	Undetermined	Undetermined — NOT fiscally constrained
SJ17	Saint Joseph	Callaway Street	College Avenue (CR 121) to Fourth Avenue S	Undetermined	Undetermined — NOT fiscally constrained
S15	Sartell	19th Avenue S	Sixth Street S (CSAH 133) to First Street N	\$2.537	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S4	Sartell	LeSauk Drive (MSAS 131)	Riverside Drive (CSAH 1) to Dehler Drive	\$1.070	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S11	Sartell	2-1/2 Street N	Pinecone Road to Third Avenue N	\$3.170	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S14	Sartell	Pinecone Road	CSAH 120 to Roberts Road	\$3.414	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
S16	Sartell	2-1/2 Street N	Pinecone Road to 19th Avenue S	\$2.766	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
S17	Sartell	Heritage Drive	Pinecone Road to west leg of Huntington Drive	\$5.014	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
S12	Sartell	Seventh Street N	Pinecone Road to Riverside Drive	\$4.623	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
S13	Sartell	12th Street N	Pinecone Road to Riverside Drive	\$5.103	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR1	Sauk Rapids	Second Avenue S (MSAS 104)	Benton Drive (MSAS 109) to 10th Street S	\$1.288	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SR2	Sauk Rapids	Second Avenue S (MSAS 104)	10th Street S to Searle Street	\$1.691	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SR3	Sauk Rapids	11th Street N (MSAS 101)	Second Avenue N (MSAS 104) to Sixth Avenue N	\$2.135	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SR4	Sauk Rapids	Fourth Avenue N (MSAS 111)	Eighth Street N (MSAS 108) to 13th Street N	\$3.732	Long-Term (2034- 2050)



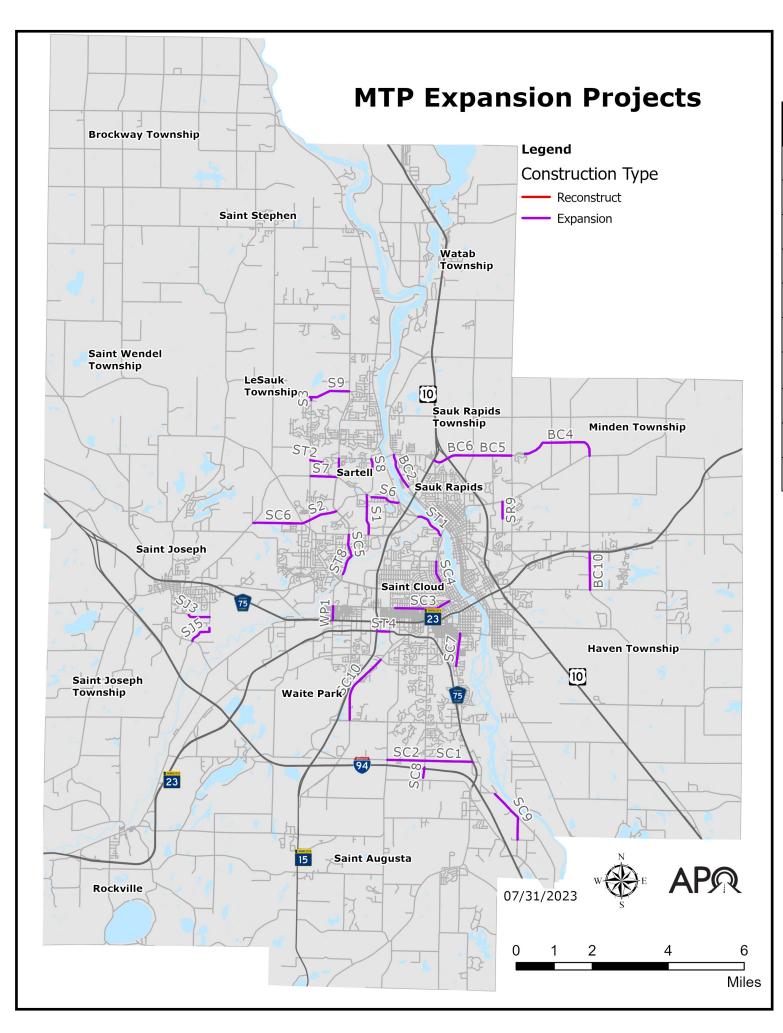
2050 APO MTP System Preservation Projects

Project ID	Jurisdiction	Roadway	Termini	Cost (in millions)	Timeframe
SR5	Sauk Rapids	Fifth Street S (MSAS 107)	Summit Avenue to US 10	\$4.337	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR6	Sauk Rapids	11th Street N (MSAS 101)	Sixth Avenue N to Summit Avenue	\$3.449	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR7	Sauk Rapids	Second Avenue N (MSAS 104)	Eighth Street N (MSAS 108) to 11th Street N (MSAS 101)	\$3.372	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR8	Sauk Rapids	Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 116)	Second Street N to 11th Street N	\$3.258	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR10	Sauk Rapids	Sixth Avenue S and N	First Street S to 11th Street N	\$6.682	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SR11	Sauk Rapids	Summit Avenue (MSAS 103)	Benton Drive (MSAS 109) to Second Street N	\$7.028	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
WP2	Waite Park	Waite Avenue (MSAS 101)	Third Street N (CSAH 81) to First Street N	\$1.465	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
WP5	Waite Park	Second Avenue S	Second Street S (MN 23) to Division Street (CSAH 75)	\$1.239	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
WP3	Waite Park	10th Avenue S (MSAS 103)	Division Street (CSAH 75) to Second Street S (MN 23)	\$1.284	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
WP6	Waite Park	Second Avenue S	Division Street (CSAH 75) to Third Street N	\$2.282	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
WP4	Waite Park	10th Avenue N (MSAS 103)	Second Street S (MN 23) to Seventh Street S	\$6.777	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SH1	Sherburne County	County Road 62 (17th Street SW)	Tee-to-Green Street to CSAH 20 (75th Avenue SE)	\$6.391	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
ST10	Stearns County	CSAH 2	421st Street to CSAH 1	\$3.534	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
ST11	Stearns County	CSAH 1	CSAH 17 to northern Stearns County line	\$5.775	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
ST12	Stearns County	CSAH 138	MN 23 to CR 121	\$12.929	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
ST13	Stearns County	CSAH 136	CR 115 to 33rd Street S	\$13.029	Long-Term (2034- 2050)



2050 APO MTP Capacity Expansion Projects

Project ID	Jurisdiction	Roadway	Termini	Cost (in millions)	Timeframe
BC3	Benton County	35th Street NE (CSAH 29)	MN 15 to US 10	\$3.014	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
BC4	Benton County	CSAH 29	Mayhew Lake Road (CSAH 1) to 35th Avenue NE	\$4.283	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
BC2	Benton County	Benton Drive (CSAH 33)	First Street (CSAH 29) to 18th Street NW	\$5.376	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
BC5	Benton County	CSAH 29	Fifth Avenue NE (CR 57) to CSAH 1 (Mayhew Lake Road)	\$3.775	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
BC6	Benton County	CSAH 29	Fifth Avenue NE (CR 57) to US 10	\$2.109	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
BC10	Benton County	CSAH 8	Second Street SE to MN 23	\$7.640	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SC9	Saint Cloud	Heatherwood Road	47th Street to 60th Street S	\$8.389	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC2	Saint Cloud	40th Street S (MSAS 156)	Oak Grove Road (CSAH 136) to Cooper Avenue (MSAS 141)	\$4.927	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SC1	Saint Cloud	40th Street S (MSAS 156)	Cooper Avenue to Roosevelt Road (CSAH 75)	\$12.652	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SC6	Saint Cloud	322nd Street	CSAH 133 to CSAH 4	\$7.168	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SC5	Saint Cloud	Pinecone Road S	CR 134 to CSAH 120	\$5.123	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SC3	Saint Cloud	Third Street N (MSAS 114)	31st Avenue N to Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 145)	\$21.981	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SC10	Saint Cloud	West Saint Germain Street (CSAH 74)	Seventh Street S/22nd Street S (CR 137) to 33rd Street S	\$16.957	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SC4	Saint Cloud	Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 145)	15th Street N (MSAS 148) to Eighth Street/Veterans Drive (CSAH 4)	\$11.387	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SC7	Saint Cloud	Clearwater Road/ Ninth Street S	University Drive to 22nd Street S	\$5.525	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SC8	Saint Cloud	Cooper Avenue	Overpass of I-94	\$15.819	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SJ19	Saint Joseph	Gateway Avenue	Minnesota Street to Lake Sarah	\$2.035	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
SJ5	Saint Joseph	20th Avenue SE	Intersection of Jade Road and College Avenue to 16th Avenue	\$4.721	Mid-Term (2025- 2028)
SJ19	Saint Joseph	Westwood Parkway	Current terminus to Pearl Drive	\$11.578	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
SJ3	Saint Joseph	Field Street	Seventh Avenue to 16th Avenue	\$7.231	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
S1	Sartell	Leander Avenue (MSAS 117)	CSAH 120 to Heritage Drive (MSAS 118)	\$3.642	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S9	Sartell	15th Street N	Pinecone Road (MSAS 103) to 19th Avenue N	\$3.111	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S2	Sartell	Roberts Road	Pinecone Road (MSAS 103) to CSAH 4/322nd Street	\$4.501	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S3	Sartell	19th Avenue N	11th Street to 15th Street	\$0.693	Short-Term (2025- 2028)



2050 APO MTP Capacity Expansion Projects

Project ID	Jurisdiction	Roadway	Termini	Cost (in millions)	Timeframe
S8	Sartell	Fourth Avenue S	Second Street S (CSAH 133) to Fourth Street S	\$1.005	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S6	Sartell	Heritage Drive	Huntington Drive (west leg) to CSAH 1	\$3.012	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
S7	Sartell	Heritage Drive	Pinecone Road to 19th Avenue S	\$2.703	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
S5	Sartell	Pinecone Road	Heritage Drive to Second Street S	\$4.439	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
SR9	Sauk Rapids	13th Avenue NE	Existing 19th Street NE to Golden Spike Road	\$1.929	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
WP1	Waite Park	10th Avenue N (MSAS 103)	Third Street N (CSAH 81) to Division Street (CSAH 75)	\$3.095	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
ST2	Stearns County	CSAH 133	Existing CSAH 133 to 19th Avenue (3/4 mile)	\$2.309	Short-Term (2025- 2028)
ST8	Stearns County	CR 134	Sauk River Bridge to Pinecone Road	\$5.008	Mid-Term (2029- 2033)
ST4	Stearns County	CSAH 75	MN 15 to 33rd Avenue S	\$4.364	Long-Term (2034- 2050)
ST1	Stearns County	CSAH 1	Ninth Avenue N (MSAS 145) to CR 120	\$9.719	Long-Term (2034- 2050)



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то:	Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board
FROM:	James Stapfer, Planning Technician
RE:	Consideration of the Adjusted Urbanized Area Boundary
DATE:	July 28, 2023

We are looking for you to review and provide feedback on our suggested changes to the Censusdefined Urban Area located at https://apo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/30f775598ba042ee8f7c4d3917b63c23

Suggestions can be as simple as a picture of a map from something like google maps with the suggested area boundary drawn on it.

The Census-defined Urban Area is, as the name suggests, the area considered urban as designated by the Census Bureau. The Census Bureau creates the Census-defined Urban Area primarily by looking at housing/population density by block groups (the smallest geographic extent used in the census). The remaining area is considered rural. Many funding sources are related to the urban population.

Key programs impacted by the urban boundary designations include:

- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)
- Local Agency Programs (LAP)
- Federal Transit Administration Apportionments (FTA)
- Federal Transportation System Designations
- Designation of Transportation management Areas (TMAs)
- Designation of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

Additionally, these boundaries have implications for existing data and systems such as Vehicle Miles Traveled Estimates and Functional Classification designations.

Adjustments can and often should be made to adjust these boundaries to better fit transportation relevant locations that may not be included in the Census-defined Urban Area.

Changes are made based upon the following criteria:

• The urban area should be expanded to match municipal boundaries where appropriate.

• The urban area must include the entire roadway right-of-way (e.g., roadway, major intersection) in between and through discontinuous urban areas.



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• A roadway in an urban area must be entirely in the urban area until there is another logical feature for the urban boundary to end (i.e., a road should not weave in and out of the urban area boundary).

- Within reason, the urban area's boundaries should be drawn along physical features (e.g., lakes, rivers, earth formations).
- The urban area should include significant traffic generators (e.g., universities, airports, government buildings, other public institutions).
- Locations expecting significant urban development in the next 20 years should be considered
- Unconnected sections of the urban area must be connected to the central area

FHWA and the Census Bureau differ in defining and describing urban and rural areas. The Census Bureau defines urban areas solely for the purpose of tabulating and presenting Census Bureau statistical data. A number of Federal agency programs use the Census definitions as the starting point (if not the basis) for implementing and determining eligibility for a variety of funding programs. (https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsip/spm/fhwasa15067/chap3.cfm)

Federal transportation legislation allows for the outward adjustment of Census Bureau defined urban boundaries (of population 5,000 and above) as the basis for development of adjusted urban area boundaries for transportation planning purposes. By Federal rule, these adjusted urban area boundaries must encompass the entire Census-designated urban area (of population 5,000 and above) and are subject to approval by the Secretary of Transportation (23 USC 101(a) (36)-(37) and 49 USC 5302(a) (16)-(17)). (https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsip/spm/fhwasa15067/chap3.cfm)

Again, this draft urban area boundary can be found online at

<u>https://apo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/30f775598ba042ee8f7c4d3917b63c23</u> for review prior to the meeting. It has been put online because of the granularity of the boundary and for precision.

Suggested Action: For now, none – for discussion and editing only.

