



District profile

District 3, which encompasses much of central Minnesota, has two full service offices - headquarters is located in Baxter, with the second office in St. Cloud. Twenty truck stations, staffed with experienced transportation specialists, are strategically located throughout the district. This presence helps to provide efficient highway construction and maintenance, which benefits all customers, internal and external.



There are approximately 440 dedicated employees who are skilled in engineering, snow & ice control, traffic, land acquisition, business planning and much more. District 3 is staffed to be a competitive organization. Each person plays an important role in the safety and efficiency of Minnesota's transportation system.

Other districts

Six other Districts serve greater Minnesota. Services provided by the MnDOT Districts include the planning, design, construction and maintenance of the state and federal highway system and aid/assistance to the county and city systems qualified for state and federal dollars. Transit, trail and rail coordination is also provided by the Districts.

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Welcome to
Central Region
District 3





Prairie to pine

The district has the largest population base outside the Minneapolis/St. Paul metro area. The district's southern boundary is located adjacent to the metro area and is rapidly becoming part of the greater urbanized area with a strong commuter demand. That demand is currently served by highways, buses and park and ride lots.

The central portion of the district wraps around the St. Cloud metropolitan area, which is one of Minnesota's fastest growing communities.

To the north there are hundreds of lakes and resorts surrounded by pine and birch forests.



District supports

- 1,607 centerline miles (4,014 lane miles) of state, U.S., and interstate highways
- 424 bridges
- 367 miles of rail line
- 110 miles of paved trails
- 20 public airports
- Eight transit systems
- One commuter rail line service (*Northstar*)
- 13 Park-and-Ride lots
- Eight public rest areas, including two Travel Information Centers
- 718 Adopt-A-Highway groups
- MnROAD (*Minnesota Road Research Project*) on Interstate 94



Thirteen counties

District 3 is located in the central portion of Minnesota and includes the following counties:

- Aitkin
- Benton
- Cass
- Crow Wing
- Isanti
- Kanabec
- Mille Lacs
- Morrison
- Sherburne
- Stearns
- Todd
- Wadena
- Wright

Major projects

- Highway 10 Wadena; reconstruct and improve traffic flow, 2020
- Interstate 94 Maple Grove to Clearwater; reconstruct, add lanes and improve access and traffic flow, 2020-2021
- Highway 47 Ogilvie to Isle; reconstruct road surface and replace bridges, 2020
- Highway 23 Paynesville to Richmond; reconstruct and add lanes, 2022-2023
- Highway 169/210 Aitkin; Reconstruct road surface and widen 2022
- Highway 371 Brainerd; improve access near Gull Lake Dam Road, 2022
- Highway 25 Buffalo; urban reconstruct, 2023
- Highway 10/23 St. Cloud; reconstruct interchange, road, and improve pedestrian access, 2023-2024
- Redefine Highway 169 Elk River; convert to freeway system, 2023-2024
- Highway 210 Brainerd; urban reconstruct, 2025-2026

Project years subject to change

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