

INTERSTATE 94/TRUNK HIGHWAY 10
From
West of Becker, Minnesota to east of St. Cloud, Minnesota
Sherburne, Stearns and Wright Counties

Minnesota Project: S.P. 8823-01
State Project Number:

DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
AND
DRAFT SECTION 4(F) EVALUATION

Submitted Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c), 49 U.S.C. 303, 23 U.S.C. 138,
And Minn. Stat., Chapt. 116D

By
U.S. Department of Transportation,
Federal Highway Administration
And
Minnesota Department of Transportation

Cooperating Agencies

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
St. Cloud Area Planning Organization

1-15-04'

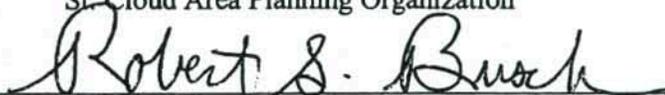
Date of Approval

1/20/04

Date of Approval

1/22/04

Date of Approval



For Mn/DOT Robert Busch, District 3 Engineer



For Mn/DOT Richard Elasky, Chief Environmental Officer



For FHWA Alan R. Steger, Division Administrator

The following persons may be contacted for additional information concerning this document:

Cheryl Martin
Region 5 – Minnesota Division
Federal Highway Administration
380 Jackson Street, Suite 500
St. Paul, MN 55101
(651)291-6120

Chad Casey
Minnesota Department of Transportation – District 3
3725 – 12th Street N
Mail Stop 030
St. Cloud, MN 56303-2130
(320)255-3058

ABSTRACT: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) proposes to make capacity improvements to the interregional corridor (IRC) connection between I-94 and TH 10 within an area west of the City of Becker and east of the City of St. Cloud within Sherburne, Stearns and Wright Counties. The connection is currently provided via Trunk Highway 24 (TH 24), a two-lane uncontrolled access roadway that passes through the Cities of Clearwater and Clear Lake with an at-grade crossing at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad just south of TH 10. Alternatives proposed to improve capacity and safety on the connection between I-94 and TH 10 all include construction of a four-lane freeway with grade-separation at the BNSF rail crossing and a bridge crossing over the Mississippi River.