

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

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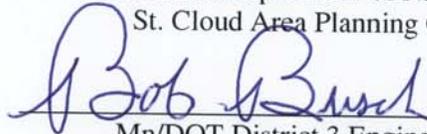
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ABSTRACT: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) proposes to make capacity improvements to the interregional corridor (IRC) connection between I-94 and TH 10 within an area west of the City of Becker and east of the City of St. Cloud within Sherburne 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. The Preferred Alternative proposes to improve capacity and safety on the connection between I-94 and TH 10 and includes construction of a four-lane freeway with grade-separation at the BNSF rail crossing; three new overpasses at CSAH 75, CSAH 8, and CR 76; and a bridge crossing over the Mississippi River. A local access interchange will be provided at TH 24.