

February 1, 2019

The Honorable Frank Hornstein, Chair
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
545 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Scott Newman, Chair
Senate Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
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The Honorable Paul Torkelson, GOP Lead
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
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Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Scott Dibble
Ranking Minority Member
Senate Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
2213 Minnesota Senate Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: 2019 Project Selection Process Report

Dear Legislators:

I am pleased to present the Minnesota Department of Transportation's report on the project selection process as required by the [2017 Laws of Minnesota, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 3, Section 124](#).

MnDOT's project selection decisions have always been informed by data and analysis, but the new [project selection policy](#) standardizes the use of objective criteria to assign scores. These changes to MnDOT practices will make the project selection process more consistent, objective and transparent. As required by the project selection policy, MnDOT will use objective criteria to assign numeric scores in all selection processes subject to this policy. The scores will inform project selection decisions, but MnDOT may consider other factors in addition to the score.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this report, or you can contact Philip Schaffner in the Office of Transportation System Management at philip.schaffner@state.mn.us or 651 366-3743.

Sincerely,



Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Commissioner