The TH 252 Conversion Study is now the Highway 252/I-94 Environmental Review Project

- Hennepin County, the Minnesota Department of Transportation, and the Cities of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park and Minneapolis are developing solutions to alleviate congestion and improve safety and reliability.
- Project limits are Highway 252 between Highway 610 in Brooklyn Park and I-694 in Brooklyn Center and I-94 from I-694 in Brooklyn Center to downtown Minneapolis.
- These solutions will be evaluated in an environmental process and then will move forward into preliminary design.

The purpose of the community workshop is to:

- Explain why the previous study has transitioned to environmental review.
- Re-engage community members from previous outreach efforts in September 2017 and engage those who did not participate.
- Brainstorm with the community about your thoughts, ideas and concerns for this corridor.

The final recommendations need to be supported by the project partners.
Purpose & Need

- Mobility
- Safety
- Connectivity

Confirm Goals & Objectives

Develop Evaluation Criteria

Develop Concepts

- Hwy 252 Corridor Alternatives
- I-94 Corridor Alternatives

Identify Preferred Alternative for Hwy 252 and I-94

Prepare Environmental Documentation and Preliminary Layout Design

Final Recommendation

Schedule and Environmental Process

Previous Studies

System Planning & Concept Study
Summer 2017 - Spring 2018

Environmental Documentation & Preliminary Layout Design
2018-2019

Detailed Plan Development
2020-2021

Secure Funding

Construction
Highway 252 Corridor Safety Issues

MnDOT Statewide Crash Cost Comparison 2011-2015

To identify locations with safety issues, MnDOT assigns a monetary cost to types of crashes that occur on roadways. More severe crashes tend to be higher-cost crashes, particularly when a crash involves an injury. Intersections are then ranked for state-wide comparison.

Intersection of 66th Avenue and Highway 252

Intersection of 85th Avenue and Highway 252
2017 Existing Traffic Operations

Morning

- Bottleneck heading towards I-94

Afternoon

- Lane drop bottleneck heading towards Hwy 610
- Majority of side streets along Hwy 252 experience long delays
- Congestion caused by lane changing

LEGEND
- Generally uncongested
- Moderately congested
- Considerably congested
- Extremely congested
- Intersections with long delays
Travel time reliability is a measure of consistency of your expected travel time from day-to-day. Weather, crashes, incidents, and general traffic affect the reliability of your travel time. Unreliable corridors cause delay to drivers.

### Causes of Delay

**Hwy 252 (both directions)**
- Up to 92% of delay is caused by normal conditions
- Up to 8% of delay is caused by weather conditions

**I-94 (from Hwy 55 to I-694)**
- Up to 67% of delay is caused by normal conditions
- Up to 28% of delay is caused by weather conditions
- Up to 11% of delay is caused by crashes

**I-94 (from I-694 to Hwy 55)**
- Up to 86% of delay is caused by normal conditions
- Up to 22% of delay is caused by weather conditions
- Up to 6% of delay is caused by crashes
2040 Future Traffic Operations

Morning

- Bottleneck heading towards I-94
- Lane drop bottleneck heading towards Hwy 610
- Majority of side streets along Hwy 252 experience long delays
- Congestion caused by lane changing

Afternoon

Legend:
- Generally uncongested
- Moderately congested
- Considerably congested
- Extremely congested
- Intersections with long delays
How Will We Evaluate Concepts?

- **Vehicle Safety**
  - Qualitative assessment
  - Crash cost savings per year

- **Vehicle Mobility**
  - Roadway operations and levels of service
  - Volume to capacity ratios
  - Access to Hwy 252 and local connectivity
  - Intersection/interchange spacing
  - Changes in local travel times (emergency response time)
  - Number of people per day
  - Travel time savings

- **Reliability**
  - On-time performance for Hwy 252 and I-94

- **Pedestrians and Bicyclists**
  - Connections across Hwy 252
  - Access to destinations and transit

- **Transit and HOV**
  - Transit ridership for Hwy 252 and I-94
  - Consistency with state and regional plans

- **Impacts**
  - Environmental justice
  - Right of way
  - Parks and trails
  - Return on investment (benefit cost analysis)
  - Noise
Mapping Activity

Please draw or place a post-it note on the maps for:

- A specific location that is difficult for walking, biking, accessing transit or driving along or across Highway 252/I-94
- A destination in the area
- An idea for improvement

An online interactive version of the hard copy maps are available on laptops and tablets.
Next Steps

Environmental Process
- Project Purpose and Need
- Evaluation Criteria
- Confirm Goals and Objectives

Develop Concepts
- Develop and Refine Roadway Concepts
- Drainage Evaluation
- Noise Evaluation

PUBLIC OUTREACH:
- Open House August–September 2018
- Considered Concepts

JUNE OUTREACH:
- Tater Daze, June 16
- Earle Brown Days, June 23

We appreciate your feedback.
Thank you for attending!
### How do you use Highway 252/I-94?

#### When I travel along or across Highway 252/I-94, I am usually... (please select up to two options that you use most often.)

- Walking
- Riding a bicycle
- Riding transit
- Driving a car

#### Destinations: I travel along or across Highway 252/I-94 to reach... (please select up to three of the destinations you reach most often.)

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#### Frequency: I travel along or across Highway 252/I-94...

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- A few times a year
- Never
As a driver on Highway 252/I-94...

When I drive along or across Highway 252/I-94... (please indicate how much you agree with the following statements.)

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Please share additional comments you have about driving along or across Highway 252/I-94 here by placing a post-it note.
As a pedestrian or bicycle rider on Highway 252...

What works today? Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

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Please share additional comments you have about walking or biking near Highway 252/I-94 here by placing a post-it note.