



MN Freight Advisory Committee

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Legislative Sessions Update

Notable Changes included:

- Additional truck weights:
 - Emergency vehicles
 - Construction trucks
 - Special tire haulers
 - Milk Trucks--10% overweight allowed
- Project Selection Criteria modifications
- Converting a \$3.4M loan to a grant for the Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority

Notable Policy Changes:

- Tolling and MnPASS study
- I-35E weigh station construction moratorium (until Feb)
- Statewide Plan due date changed to every 5 years
- Dimler and Pipeline Welding Provisions
- Modify Statutes Related to Yield Signs at Grade Crossings
- Remove Sunset on TGB / Vets-owned Businesses for Bid Preference
- Milk trucks on Interstates permitted



Major Shifts of Funding for Transportation:

- *Dedicating* Vehicle Rental Taxes, Vehicle Rental Sales Tax, and remaining Motor Vehicle Lease Sales Tax
- *Dedicating* a portion of the Auto Parts Sales tax
- Motor Vehicle Lease Sales Tax (MVLST) split changed:
 - ✓ 38% Greater Minnesota Transit
 - ✓ 38% 5 Metro “Collar Counties” (\$3.3M for the biennium but a net loss over 10 years of \$3M)
 - ✓ 13% Local Bridge Program (~\$25M for the biennium)
 - ✓ 11% Highway User Tax Distribution Fund

Major Funding Allocations for THF:

- \$25M/year Trunk highway fund cash appropriation to Corridors of Commerce
- New revenue to the trunk highway fund from the general fund through the highway user tax distribution fund totaling \$102.2M FY18-19; \$244.5M FY20-21
- Trunk Highway bonding authorized - \$940M over 4 years

Fiscal Years	2018	2019	2020	2021
State Road Construction	\$100 M	\$100 M	\$220 M	\$220 M
Corridors of Commerce	\$50 M	\$50 M	\$100 M	\$100 M

Other Funding Allocations:

- \$8M/year for small cities under 5,000 (*one time*)
- Metro Counties \$5M/year – none for Minneapolis or St. Paul (*one time*)
- Town Roads - \$2M/year (*one time*)
- Airport terminals: Duluth \$6.6M and Rochester \$2.3M (*one time*)
- Greater Minnesota Transit General Fund appropriation reduction \$16.825M (*one time*)
- Continued *base* funding for MnDOT Passenger Rail = \$ 0.500 M per year
- New *base* MnDOT Freight Rail = \$ 0.800 M per year

Chapter 3: Summary

Amounts in \$1,000s by Fund

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
General	\$19,783	\$34,508	\$19,358	\$19,358
Airports	\$34,812	\$21,909	\$20,609	\$20,609
County State Aid Highway	\$762,071	\$789,636	\$847,534	\$855,267
Municipal State Aid Streets	\$190,660	\$197,558	\$212,509	\$214,398
Trunk Highway	\$1,942,586	\$1,825,144	\$1,808,326	\$1,801,260
Grand Total	\$2,949,912	\$2,868,755	\$2,908,336	\$2,910,892

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What's Really In It?

Local Bridge Program = \$49.2 M

- Local Bridge Program \$16.5M
- Local Bridge Program earmarks:
 - City of Isle \$.8M
 - City of Minneapolis 10th Ave. \$31.875M

Local Road Improvement Program = \$115.932 M

- Local Road Improvement Program \$25.3M



Local Road Improvement Program earmarks:

- Hennepin County/Minneapolis I35W \$25 M
- TH 12 intersections \$11.3 M
- TH 212 interchange in Chaska \$10.5 M
- Inver Grove Heights Broderick Blvd \$1 M
- Ramsey Co. 694/Rice St. interchange \$20.5 M
- Redwood County State Veterans Cemetery Road \$.7 M
- McLeod Co. CSAH 15 \$2.35 M
- Appleton Township 100th St. SW \$1 M
- Anoka County Lake Drive and I35 \$9 M
- City of Baxter Cypress Drive \$6 M
- City of Blaine 105th Ave. \$3.246 M

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Rail Programs and Earmarks:

- Grade Separations on Crude Oil Rail Lines - \$71.124M:
 - Moorhead \$42.262M
 - Anoka Co. Hanson Blvd \$14.1M
 - Red Wing Sturgeon Lake Rd \$14.762M
- Highway Rail Grade Crossing Signal Replacement - \$1M
- Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Road - \$4M
- City of Hugo rail line improvement - \$1.5M
- Minnesota Rail Service Improvement Program \$1M



Other Provisions:

- Minnesota Port Improvement Program - \$5M
- International Falls –Koochiching Airport terminal - \$3M
- City of Grand Rapids Pedestrian bridge - \$.750M
- Eden Prairie Rail Crossing - \$1.4M
- Safe Routes to School - \$1M
- Transportation Economic Development Program, Dept. of Employment and Economic Development \$3.5M

Federal FAST Act Freight investment Reminder

National Highway Freight Program Funds

2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
\$17.7	\$16.9	\$18.5	\$20.8	\$23.1

*Note: These are statewide totals
Based on November 2015 Forecast
Numbers are in millions of dollars*

Human Trafficking - Transportation Taking Action

Federal & State Definitions, Simplified

Action What does the trafficker do?	Means How does the trafficker get the victim to act?	Purpose What is the trafficker's goal?
Recruiting Transporting Transferring Harboring Receiving Enticing Providing Obtaining	Force Physical or Sexual Violence to Victim and/or Victim's Family Fraud Lies, Fake Contracts Coercion Threats of violence, Shaming	Exploitation 1. Commercial Sex 2. Labor/Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receiving profit or anything of value*• Forced Labor or Services• Prostitution• Removal of organs by coercion or intimidation• Slavery or practices similar to slavery

M.S. §609.321,
Subds. 5 & 7a

Frequency of Trafficking Types

- Sexual exploitation (79%)
- Forced labor and services (18%)

*Results may be skewed by statistical bias. The sexual exploitation of women tends to be more visible- in cities, truck stops, rest areas, hotels along travel routes. In contrast, other forms of exploitation (forced labor; domestic servitude and forced marriage) are often contained in private homes or controlled circumstances and are under-reported.

A Global Problem

- Average age of a new victim trafficked into the commercial sex industry: 12
- The majority of trafficking victims are between 18 and 24 years of age
- 54% of trafficking victims are strangers / 46% of trafficking victims know each other
- 95% of victims experienced physical or sexual violence during trafficking
- Many trafficking victims have at least middle-level education
- Male victims of sex trafficking are on the rise
- Human trafficking is a \$150 billion per year industry
- Every 30 seconds, someone is trafficked
- 21 million victims of human trafficking globally, hundreds of thousands in the U.S. For comparison: The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade involved ~12.5 million African men, women and children over ~350 years

A National Problem

- Between 14,500 and 17,500 people are brought into the U.S. for trafficking purposes every year
- In 2015, the National Human Trafficking Resource Center and BeFree Textline received:
 - 21,947 calls
 - 1,535 web forms
 - 1,275 emails
 - 1,472 SMS messages
- The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children conservatively estimates that 100,000 children are exploited each year for prostitution in the United States.

A Minnesota Problem

- In 2015, Minnesota had the **third-highest** number of human trafficking cases, and the **second-highest** arrest rate for trafficking
- Twin Cities identified as one of 13 U.S. cities/areas with a particularly **high incidence** rate of child prostitution
- Each month in Minnesota at least **213 girls are sold** for sex an average of five times per day through the Internet and escort services. This number does not include hotel, street or gang activity
- Any given weekend night in Minnesota, **45 girls under age 18 are sold** for sex through the internet classified websites and escort services, according to a 2010 study.

Presidential Attention

Across the globe, including right here at home, millions of men, women, and children are victims of human trafficking and modern-day slavery. We remain committed to abolishing slavery in all its forms and draw strength from the courage and resolve of generations past.

-Former President Barack Obama

The "full force and weight" of the U.S. government, and particularly the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security, will work to combat an "epidemic" of human trafficking.

--President Donald Trump

A Call to Action for Transportation Entities

The number one mission of the Department of Transportation is to keep the traveling public safe. And one aspect of that is ensuring that our nation's transportation network is not used for harm. Human trafficking is harm. It is a crime, and we must all work to prevent it... **Transportation entities across the country have a role to play...** [in the fight against human trafficking by] **training and educating employees, and increasing awareness among their passengers.**

Former Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx

January 29, 2015

<https://www.transportation.gov/stophumantrafficking>

Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking

Commissioner Charlie Zelle

- An anti-trafficking group comprised of transportation and travel industry stakeholders, working jointly to maximize their collective impact in combating human trafficking
- Focuses on five key areas and connects transportation stakeholders to resources on:
 - industry leadership
 - industry training and education
 - policy development
 - public awareness
 - information sharing and analysis

<https://www.transportation.gov/TLAHT>

Steps Transportation Organizations & Professionals Can Take Now

1. Issue a statement condemning human trafficking
2. Display human trafficking awareness posters in vehicles, on employee bulletin boards
3. Train employees and volunteers to recognize signs of trafficking and actively encourage them to spread information to members of the public (*i.e. National Hotline*)
4. Develop relationships with transportation groups fighting human trafficking
 - Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking
 - Truckers Against Trafficking

MnDOT's Human Trafficking Awareness Initiative

Kickoff: January 2017

- Commissioner Zelle signed a Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking pledge, vowing to actively fight against human trafficking
- In Practice:
 - Awareness materials in every Minnesota rest area
 - Informational website
 - Training provided for all MnDOT staff
 - Training for our facilities and operations staff
 - Formation of collaborative relationships with other anti-trafficking organizations
 - Participation in Minnesota state agency anti-trafficking groups
 - Inclusion of Truckers Against Trafficking materials in CDL packets

Truckers Against Trafficking, Overview

- Truckers Against Trafficking (TAT) is non-profit organization dedicated to training individuals in the transportation industry to recognize possible trafficking situations so more calls will be made and more victims recovered.
- Traffickers hide activities from law enforcement; they pay less attention and give less care to hiding from travelling citizens. Truck drivers and transit providers are also prospective clients for traffickers.

Get “TAT Trained” <http://education.truckersagainstrafficking.org/>

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CALL 1-888-373-7888

or TEXT BeFree (233733)

Contact the **National Human Trafficking Resource Center**
to get help, report a tip, or request information or training.

For More Information

MnDOT's Human Trafficking Awareness Website:

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/HumanTraffickingAwareness/>

Thank You!

When human trafficking ceases to
traffickers have stopped trying to
vulnerable individuals.

**Elimination of efforts from a
uses to allow it to continue.**

Persons Report, 2016