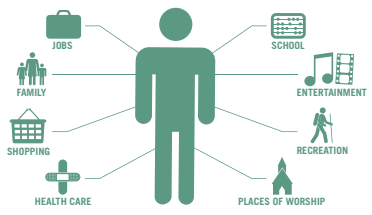




COMMUNITY

Our transportation system is a vital part of keeping Minnesotans connected.

A multimodal transportation system will ease commutes and give businesses access to over 500,000 more employees. Minnesotans told us that the connections below are important to our quality of life.



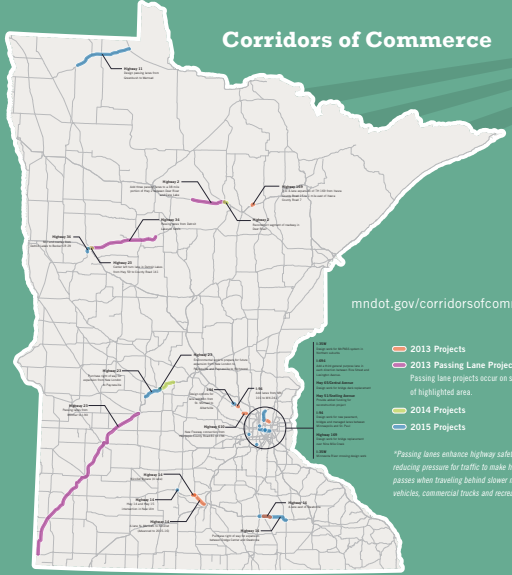
By 2030 the movement of freight is set to increase by an average of 25 percent across the state and regional transit service is expected to double. As we become larger and more productive, it's important that our roadways and transit systems keep up with demand.



ECONOMY

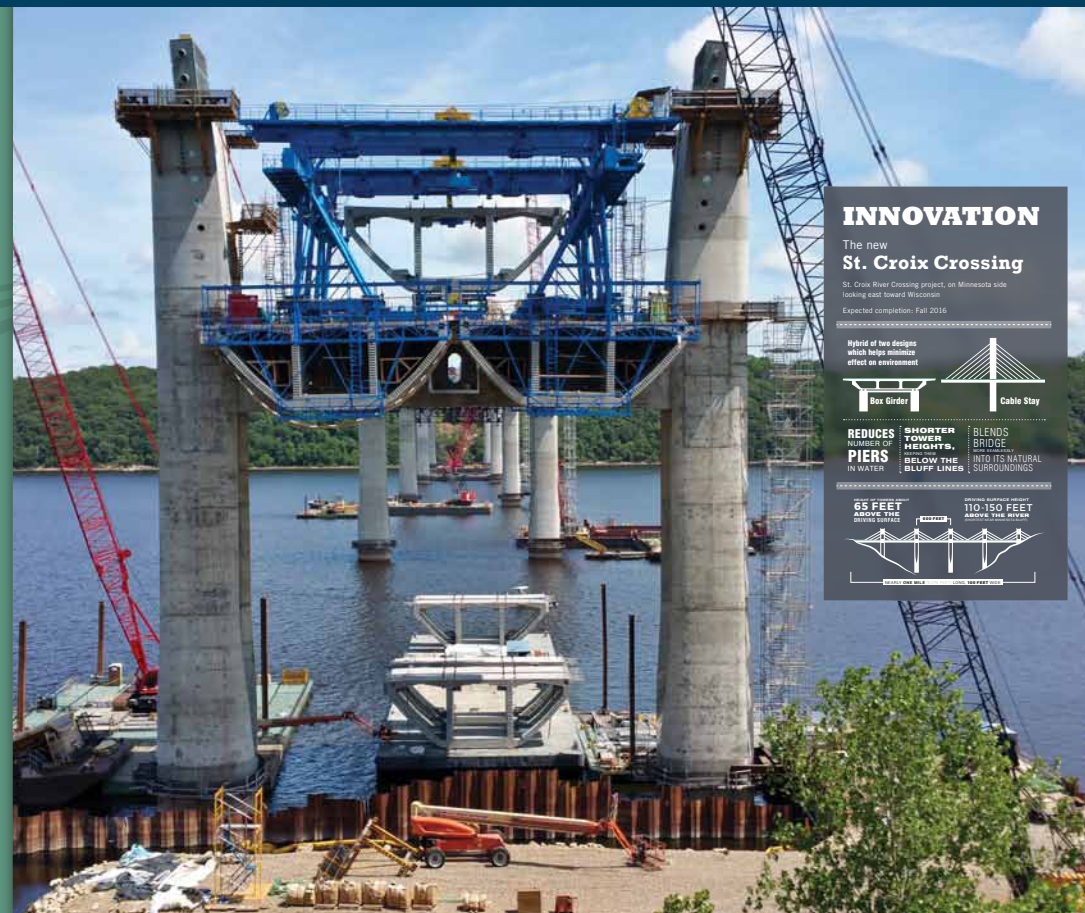
How does transportation foster economic growth?

Transportation investments foster economic growth by providing construction jobs and a commerce-friendly network of corridors to ship goods and provide mobility to citizens.



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*Passing lanes enhance highway safety by reducing pressure for traffic to make high-risk passes when traveling behind slower moving vehicles, commercial trucks and recreation traffic.



INNOVATION

The new St. Croix Crossing
St. Croix River Crossing project, on Minnesota side looking east toward Wisconsin
Expected completion: Fall 2016

Hybrid of two designs which helps minimize effect on environment



REDUCES NUMBER OF PIERS IN WATER
SHORTER TOWER HEIGHTS, BELOW THE BLUFF LINES
BLENDS BRIDGE INTO ITS NATURAL SURROUNDINGS



THE MANY UNMET NEEDS OF OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

The Roads We Drive Today.
Minnesota's roads and bridges are deteriorating faster than we can maintain them. With current funding levels, inflation and rising construction costs, there's need for action.

17TH WORST BOTTLENECK IN THE UNITED STATES (I-35/494 Intersection)

50% OF ROADS & 35% OF BRIDGES ARE MORE THAN 50 YEARS OLD

IOWA, WISCONSIN & MISSOURI SPEND MORE ON TRANSPORTATION THAN MINNESOTA

The Uphill Climb Tomorrow.
As our population grows, so will traffic on our rail and roads. Without proper funding now, our roads will continue to decline under even heavier use.

ROAD MILES RATED IN POOR CONDITION WILL INCREASE 74% BY 2024

1M MORE PEOPLE BY 2040
+30% TRUCK TRAFFIC WILL INCREASE BY 2030

1 in 5 Highways will pass their useful life in less than three years

Can We Reverse Course?
We can, but it will cost significantly more in the future than we have in the past. We also will save money by reconstructing roads vs. expensive "band aid" repairs.

WITH ADEQUATE FUNDING, MORE BUSINESSES CAN CREATE MORE JOBS

MAJOR HIGHWAYS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION

MAJOR RURAL HIGHWAYS ARE SAFER

A transportation system that works will create a better economy and higher quality of life for all of Minnesota.

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