

## **RESOLUTION 19 - 03**

### *Recognizing the Updated Minnesota Department of Transportation's Updated Statewide Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture*

**WHEREAS**, the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council (MIC) was created by the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC) and the Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NWRPC) and recognized by the Governors of Wisconsin and Minnesota as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Duluth-Superior urbanized area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council (MIC) is the body responsible for making transportation policy decisions and for directing the transportation planning and development function within the Duluth-Superior urbanized area; and

**WHEREAS**, the US Department of Transportation has an adopted national Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) architecture which specifies the proper relationships, such as information exchanges, among the components of all ITS projects implemented (in whole or in part) with federal funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the development of a Regional ITS Architecture has been mandated in national transportation legislation in an effort to integrate technological solutions into the transportation network to alleviate congestion and improve safety and efficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Transportation has updated the Minnesota Statewide Regional ITS Architecture to address changes statewide relating to ITS Systems, Stakeholders, Interconnections, Service Packages, and Project Inventory; and in conformance with the National ITS Architecture and Standards in accordance with 23 CFR 940 (FHWA Final Rule 940); and

**WHEREAS**, the FHWA Final Rule 940 ("Intelligent Transportation System Architecture and Standards") and Federal Transit Administration's "National Architecture Policy on Transit Projects" require each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to adopt or recognize a regional ITS architecture that is consistent with its Long-Range Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, ITS projects in a metropolitan transportation planning area must be consistent with a Regional ITS Architecture to be eligible to receive federal funds for implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council recognizes the updated Minnesota Statewide Regional ITS Architecture as the regional architecture that shall govern all ITS improvements statewide and within its metropolitan transportation planning area;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council hereby recognizes the updated Minnesota Department of Transportation’s Statewide Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture; and any subsequent minor updates will be incorporated as the regional ITS architecture that shall identify and guide all ITS improvements within its metropolitan transportation planning area.

ATTEST:

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