

Duluth-Superior Long-Range Transportation Plan



Sustainable Choices 2050

Implementation Ideas Discussion TAC

April 15, 2025



Purpose of Today's Discussion

- Reminder of the need to implement the MTP
- Gather ideas & consider options for implementing the MTP
 - What is reasonable / viable for 2025?
- Set the stage for meeting to work on specific implementation steps



Sustainable Choices 2050 - Vision

Sustainable Choices 2050 is guided by the following overall vision:

Develop a community-supported multimodal transportation system that not only supports the diverse needs of people and commerce, but is also fiscally, socially, and environmentally sustainable over time.



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Figure 4.5. MIC Area Priority Projects List by Jurisdiction

Project ID	Project Location	Project Description	Project Type	Fiscally Constrained?	Jurisdiction
MN-03-91	W Superior St	Michigan St to 6th Ave W	Reconstruction	Y	Duluth
MN-03-11	40th Ave W	Grand Ave to I-35	Reconstruction	Y	Duluth
MN-03-07	W Superior Street	Carlton St to Michigan St	Reconstruction	Y	Duluth
MN-03-29	Grand Ave	Carlton St to 59th Ave W	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-25	6th Ave East/Central Entrance	2nd Street to Mesaba Ave	Reconstruction	N	Duluth
MN-03-13	London Road	21st Ave E to 26th Ave E	Preservation	Y	Duluth
MN-03-28	4th Street	Mesaba Ave to 6th Ave E	Reconstruction	N	Duluth
MN-03-51	Woodland Ave	4th Street to Arrowhead Rd	Preservation	Y	Duluth
MN-03-73	Central Ave	I-35 to Cody St	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-89	1st Street	Mesaba Ave to 4th Ave E	Reconstruction	N	Duluth
MN-03-42	27th Ave W	Courtland St to 3rd St	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-35	London Rd	Superior St to 21st Ave E	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-84	Lake Ave	Superior St to 7th St	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-90	W Michigan St	TH 53 overpass to Carlton St	Reconstruction	Y	Duluth
MN-03-02	Railroad Street	Lake Ave to 5th Ave W	Preservation	Y	Duluth
MN-03-01	Aerial Lift Bridge	Structural & Mechanical maintenance, paint top span & lift span, sidewalk and deck replacement	Preservation	Y	Duluth
MN-03-37	Aerial Lift Bridge	Structural Rehabilitation and Painting	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-18	Port Terminal Rd	Garfield Ave to Helberg Dr	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-03-20	Helberg Dr	Garfield Ave to Port Terminal Dr	Preservation	N	Duluth
MN-01-06	London Rd	26th Ave E to 60th Ave E Roundabouts at 26th Ave E and 40th Ave E	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-05	Central Entrance Corridor	Partial Reconstruction & Multi-Modal Improvements Mesaba to Trinity	Reconstruction	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-01	I-35	Lake Ave to 21st Ave E Concrete Repair and Intersection Ramps	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-43	I-35/I-35 Tunnels	Segment(s) to be determined	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-42	Hwy 194	Segment(s) to be determined	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-39	Hwy 53	Segment(s) to be determined	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-08	I-35	Under 5th Ave W Bridge and MN 23 to 50th Ave W	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-35	5th Ave	5th Ave Bridge #69870 Over I-35	Bridge Repair or Reconstruction	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-17	Haines Rd/40th Ave W RR Crossing	RR Crossing improvements DOT #251887W	Safety	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-30	I-35	Boundary Ave to Bridge over Grand Ave/Replace Bridges	Reconstruction	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-38	Boundary Ave Interchange	I-35 at Boundary Ave	Bridge Repair or Reconstruction	Y	MnDOT
MN-01-37	Bong Bridge	Redecking	Preservation	Y	MnDOT
MN-02-30	40th Ave W	Grand Ave to 8th St	Reconstruction	Y	Saint Louis Co
Unfunded-2	Rice Lake Road	Technology Dr. to N. Tischer Rd.	Reconstruction	N	Saint Louis Co
MN-02-71	Rice Lake Road	Separated Bike and Ped Trail	Bike/Pedestrian Improvement	Y	Saint Louis Co
MN-02-39	Midway Rd.	Midway Rd at N Cloquet Rd	Intersection Control or Roundabout	Y	Saint Louis Co
WI-03-03	Hammond Ave	Belknap St to 21st St	Reconstruction	Y	Superior
WI-03-11	Tower Ave	South of Belknap	Reconstruction	N	Superior
WI-03-05	E 5TH ST	24th Ave E and 31st Ave E	Reconstruction	Y	Superior
WI-03-06	28th St	Paved Trail	Bike/Pedestrian Improvement	N	Superior
WI-03-01	Tower Ave	South of Belknap	Preservation	N	Superior



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10. Action Steps to Implement

This chapter identifies primary action steps to be taken by the MIC over the next five years—prior to the 2055 MTP update—to work toward achieving the vision, goals, and objectives of *Sustainable Choices 2050* across the Duluth-Superior area transportation system.

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Primary Action Steps to Implement	10-2
1. Incorporate Performance-Based Planning	10-2
2. Improve Safety	10-2
3. Prioritize an Integrated Multimodal System	10-3
4. Maintain System Infrastructure	10-4
5. Strive For An Equitable & Accessible System	10-5
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- **What Idea(s) Should We Work on in 2025?**

MTP Implementation Meeting Logistics

- Who needs/wants to be involved?
- When is best to meet?



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Questions

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