# Federal Discretionary Grants

## TRIBAL GRANTS TRANSIT

Bois Forte Tribal Government The Bois Forte Tribal Government will receive funding to replace older vehicles that are reaching the end of their useful life and for operations support. This project will ensure continued safe and reliable service for tribal members in the Arrowhead region of northern Minnesota. \$904,335

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe: White Earth Band The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe - White Earth Band will receive funding to purchase a computer-aided scheduling dispatch system. The project will improve service and improve access for tribal residents to jobs, healthcare and essential services. **\$80,000** 

# **RAIL GRANTS**

Minnesota – Trunk Highway 47 Corridor and BNSF Railroad Grade Separation Project (**Up to \$2,500,000**) City of Anoka

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and Project Development and includes activities to support grade crossing-related improvements on BNSF-owned infrastructure in the City of Anoka, Minnesota.

Minnesota – La Crescent Rail Corridor Safety Improvements (**Up to \$229,600**) City of La Crescent

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and includes activities to evaluate safety improvements to four at-grade crossings in La Crescent, Minnesota. This project will develop concepts to close one highway-rail crossing by combining two of four crossings, reducing the number of crossings from four to three, and install protective devices, signals, and signage.

Minnesota - Connecting Camden - Creating Vibrant Futures (Up to \$2,000,000) City of Minneapolis

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and Project Development and includes activities to evaluate potential improvements at three at-grade crossings along CPKC tracks in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Minnesota – Developing an Alternatives Analysis for Railroad Crossing Elimination (**Up to \$240,000**) County of Douglas

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and includes activities to evaluate alternatives for a grade separation at the McKay Avenue at-grade crossing in Alexandria, Minnesota. This project will develop concepts to separate this crossing and improve a nearby crossing on Geneva Road.

Minnesota – Midway Road (CSAH 13) Railroad Crossing Elimination Planning and Development (**Up** to \$1,862,400) County of Saint Louis

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and Project Development and includes activities to support grade crossing-related improvements on Canadian National-owned infrastructure in the County of Saint Louis.

Minnesota – TH 10 & CSAH 11 Railroad Crossing Improvement Study (**Up to \$1,380,000**) County of Sherburne

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and Project Development and includes activities to support grade crossing-related improvements on BNSF-owned infrastructure in Becker Township.

Minnesota – MnDOT Moorhead to Duluth Corridor Crossing Elimination and Improvement Study (**Up to \$800,000**) Minnesota Department of Transportation

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and includes activities to study crossings along a 250-mile stretch of the BNSF Railway Northern Transcontinental Line within the state of Minnesota.

Minnesota – Southport River Terminal Grade-Separated Feasibility Planning Project (**Up to \$636,000**) Port Authority of the City of Saint Paul

The proposed project was selected for Project Planning and includes activities to study the feasibility of replacing an existing highway-rail grade crossing of the Barge Channel Road/UPRR intersection with a grade-separated crossing at the Southport River Terminal in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

# RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES

- MN City of Fridley Northtown Railyard Overpass City of Fridley \$16,000,000
- MN Fond du Lac Reservation I-35 & MN TH 210 Multi-modal Connections Study Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa **\$166,634**
- MN Rondo African American Cultural Enterprise District and Community Land Bridge RECONNECTRONDO \$2,000,000

#### **RAISE GRANTS**

Duluth Aerial Lift Bridge – City of Duluth - \$11.2M

This project will rehabilitate the Duluth Aerial Lift Bridge which includes: surface preparation and repainting, lead abatement, replacement of deteriorated sections, miscellaneous structural steel repairs, repairs to spalled and delaminated concrete, and replacement of the bridge sidewalks.

COUNTY STATE AID HIGHWAY 2 ROAD AND SHARED USE PATH IMPROVEMENTS

**Lower Sioux Indian Community** 

# \$25,000,000

This project will rehabilitate or reconstruct approximately ten miles of County State Aid Highway 2, construct a shared use path, and construct an electric vehicle (EV) charging station.

RED LAKE ROAD REHABILITATIONS AND SHARED USE PATH

Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians

\$25,000,000

This project will reconstruct approximately 1.2 miles of Minnesota State Highway 1, rehabilitate approximately 4 miles of existing pavement on Walking Shield Road, and extend existing Walking Shield Road approximately 5.6 miles to the east. Approximately 11 miles of shared use paths will also be constructed.

#### ROBERT STREET COMPLETE STREETS AND VIADUCT REPLACEMENT

Minnesota Department of Transportation

# \$25,000,000

The project will reconstruct approximately 1.5 miles of State Highway 3. It will include upgrading pedestrian crossings, improving sidewalks and trails, managing speed, expanding multimodal options, rehabilitating or replacing 100-yearold retaining walls/bridge, and improving transit access.

#### SOUTH BROADWAY AVENUE PLAN

City of Rochester

# \$2,500,000

This planning project includes the study, design, and engineering of a Complete Street and pedestrian/bike overpass along the approximate half-mile corridor on South Broadway Avenue between 4th Street SE and 9th Street SE.

## **Rural Surface Transportation Grants**

Highway 5 Improvement Project Award: **\$25,000,000** Carver County, Minnesota Applicant: Carver County

The project will address a two-lane gap on Highway 5 in Chanhassen and Victoria. The project includes three-and-a quarter miles of Highway 5 from 80th Street in downtown Victoria to Century Boulevard just east of the Highway 41 intersection in Chanhassen. The project also includes approximately one mile of County State Aid Highway 13 (CSAH 13) from 78th Street to Fribourg Court in Victoria.

Minnesota Trunk Highway 19 Reconstruction Project Award: **\$25,490,000** Rice County, Minnesota Applicant: Minnesota Department of Transportation

The project will reconstruct Trunk Highway (TH) 19 from Decker Ave to the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) as a three-lane section. The scope includes resurfacing TH 19 from UPRR to TH 3; constructing a new single-lane roundabout at Armstrong Rd; addressing intersection geometry at several locations; installing a snow fence at Decker Ave; installing new/reconstructed trails and sidewalks along TH 19 from Decker Ave to TH 3; improving crossings at several locations including installation of two rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs); and reconstructing curb ramps.

# **EV CHARGING GRANTS**

Strategic EV Charger Deployment for the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community **\$1,345,446** EV Charging Community

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will receive \$1.3 million to install 20 publicly accessible EV charging ports across five key business enterprises in Prior Lake, MN. Level 2 charging ports will be free for visitors and staff, and fast chargers will be available at a competitive rate. The project also includes workforce development for Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community staff.

Twin Cities Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program Competitive Solicitation Metropolitan Council Minnesota **\$15,000,000 EV** Charging Community

Minnesota's Metropolitan Council will receive \$15 million to deploy 1,875 EV charging ports across the region. The project will prioritize renters, rural areas, low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, and environmental justice communities. It aims to improve safety, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and increase access to electric vehicles and related jobs. Community engagement will be integral to the process, with opportunities for public input on funding decisions and charger locations.

# **IIJA Match Funds**

From the 2023 legislative session, there were state funds allocated to match IIJA federal discretionary grants and for technical assistance in developing federal discretionary applications. Now about a year and a half later, here is the status of those funds:

Total available = \$205.4M

Reserved for Administration = \$10M

Approved through November = 80 projects for \$180.6M

Pending requests for December = 4 projects for \$1.6M

## Remaining (including pending December approvals) = \$13.174M

Note: MnDOT will be discussing reducing the amount that was reserved for Admin so this number will increase based on that

IIJA Technical Assistance Funds

Total available = \$2M

\$300,000 for Tribes

\$300,000 for small cities

\$1.4M for remaining eligible participants (mainly state aid cities and counties)

Approved through today = 43 projects for \$1,162,549.50

#### Remaining:

Tribes - \$270,000

Small cities - \$210,000

State aid cities, counties and other eligible entities - \$357,450.50

Note: From the 2023 session language - Unused portions of small city and tribal targets at the end of the fiscal year may be used for grants to any eligible recipient in the following year