

Highway 61 – Corridor Study

MnDOT Metro District & City of Hastings





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Project Overview

- Highway 61 Study Goal
 - Comprehensive Evaluation to Determine Vision and Alternatives



Schedule

- Key milestones
 - Existing conditions
 - Evaluation criteria
 - Range of alternatives
 - Screening and refine to list of "four" alternatives
 - Final matrix and draft corridor study report

- Public Engagement
 - Key stakeholder and public meeting #1 (May 18)
 - Report out results
 - Key stakeholder outreach
 - Public meeting #2 (August)
 - Public meeting #3 (Nov-Dec)



Engagement Tools & Events





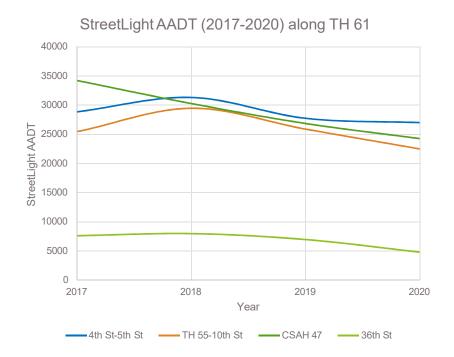




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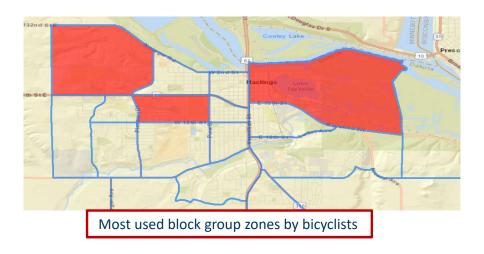
Traffic Volumes

- Hwy 61 Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) in 2019:
 - 31,000 downtown Hastings
 - 27,500 at Hwy 316
 - 7,300 north of 36th St
- Validates the importance of Hwy 316
- Heavy Vehicles (trucks) a key concern



People Movement and Safety

- 72% of all bicycle trips go to/through multiple block group zones
- 2017-2021: 6 bike crashes, 3 pedestrian crashes





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Thank You!

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 - MnDOT Twitter: <u>twitter.com/mndotnews</u>
- 511
 - Real-time travel info. anywhere in Minnesota: www.511mn.org/

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Vermillion River area



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TH 55 and 10th Street Intersections



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Highway 316 Intersection



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