



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: 2-10-26

Title of Item: Bridge Priority Resolution

- ☐ REGULAR AGENDA
☒ CONSENT AGENDA
☐ INFORMATION ONLY

Action Requested:

- ☐ Approve/Deny Motion
☒ Adopt Resolution (attach draft)
**provide copy of hearing notice that was published*

- ☐ Direction Requested
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Hold Public Hearing*

Submitted by:
John Welle

Department:
Highway

Presenter (Name and Title):
NA

Estimated Time Needed:
NA

Summary of Issue:

The MnDOT Office of State Aid requests that counties periodically update their 5-year bridge replacement plans so they are able to plan, on a statewide basis, the amount of funding needed for the Local Bridge Replacement Program. Aitkin County last updated its bridge priority resolution in October 2024.

The county highway bridges on the attached resolution are proposed for replacement based on annual bridge safety inspections and corresponding condition ratings. These bridge replacement projects are also reflected in the 2026-2030 Capital Road Improvement Program that was updated as part of the 2025 budget process.

For the township bridges on the list, agreements are in place between the identified townships and Aitkin County Highway Department to facilitate the bridge replacement projects.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve attached resolution.

Financial Impact:

Is there a cost associated with this request?

☐ Yes

☒ No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$

Is this budgeted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please Explain:

Resolution #20260210-xxx Bridge Priority List

WHEREAS, Aitkin County has reviewed the pertinent data on bridges requiring replacement, rehabilitation, or removal, and

WHEREAS, Aitkin County has identified those bridges that are high priority and that require replacement, rehabilitation, or removal within the next five years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following deficient bridges are high priority for replacement and Aitkin County intends to replace these bridges as soon as possible when funds are available.

Existing Bridge Number	Road Number	Crossing	Local Planning Index	Project Cost	Programmed Federal Funds	Local or State -Aid Funds	Township/State Bridge Funds Requested	Program Year
NA	298 th Street Glen Township	Rabbit Creek	NA	\$190,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$170,000	2026
88102	Aitkin CSAH 19	Moose River	65	\$425,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$175,000	2027
NA	150 th Lane Idun Township	Unnamed Stream	NA	\$240,000		\$10,000	\$230,000	2027
NA	368 th Place Hill Lake Township	Little Hill River	NA	\$390,000		\$20,000	\$370,000	2027
NA	Aitkin CR 57	Section 5 Creek	NA	\$325,000		\$75,000	\$250,000	2028
NA	Aitkin CSAH 30	Wakefield Brook	NA	\$275,000		\$175,000	\$100000	2028
95197	265 th Lane Wealthwood Township	Ripple River (County Ditch 34)	51	\$300,000		\$20,000	\$280,000	2028

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Aitkin County does hereby request authorization to replace such bridges, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Aitkin County does hereby request financial assistance with eligible approach grading and engineering costs on township bridges, as provided by law.

Adopted this 10th Day of February, 2026 By The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners.

Attest:

J. Mark Wedel
County Board Chair

David J. Minke, County Administrator
Clerk to the County Board

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COUNTY OF AITKIN}**