



*It's time to Catch Up
and
Keep Up
Minnesota's Transportation
System!*

Talking Points 2023

- Minnesota's transportation funding shortfall: **\$20-\$30 billion over the next 20 years**
- While the general fund is projected to have a historic budget surplus, revenues dedicated to roads, bridges and transit are declining
- While increased federal funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) helps to reduce the transportation funding gap, increased state funding is needed to maintain and improve Minnesota's transportation system.
- The state needs to dedicate general fund dollars of at least \$185 million over the life of the IIJA to match formula funds and allow the state to compete for discretionary grants.
- Appropriate one-time dollars from the budget surplus to address state aid cuts and increasing costs for roads and transit.
- Provide significant dedicated, ongoing revenue for all jurisdictions for roads, bridges and transit statewide.
- Pass a robust capital investment bill with significant funding for roads, bridges, transit capital, ports and waterways, and rail projects.
- Transportation needs don't go away – they just become more expensive!