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MnDOT Update

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Your Destination...Our Priority





Commissioner's 2013 – 2014 Goals for MnDOT

- Support those leaders and programs that built MnDOT's stellar reputation
- Ensure that the agency is accountable, transparent and well managed
- Measure the agency's successes, quantify those successes and then make the case for what Minnesota needs to be a world class state
- Consider and reinforce the role that our transportation system plays as a foundation to our economic prosperity





MnDOT Mission, Vision and Directions

- A safe, efficient and sustainable transportation system for the future
- Continue commitment to a multimodal vision
- Minnesota GO Vision better aligns the transportation system with what Minnesotans expect – a multimodal system that maximizes the health of people, the environment and our economy
 - Leverage public investments to achieve multiple purpose
 - Ensure accessibility
 - Build to a maintainable scale
 - Ensure regional connections
 - Integrate safety
 - Emphasize reliable and predictable options
 - Strategically fix the system
 - Use partnerships

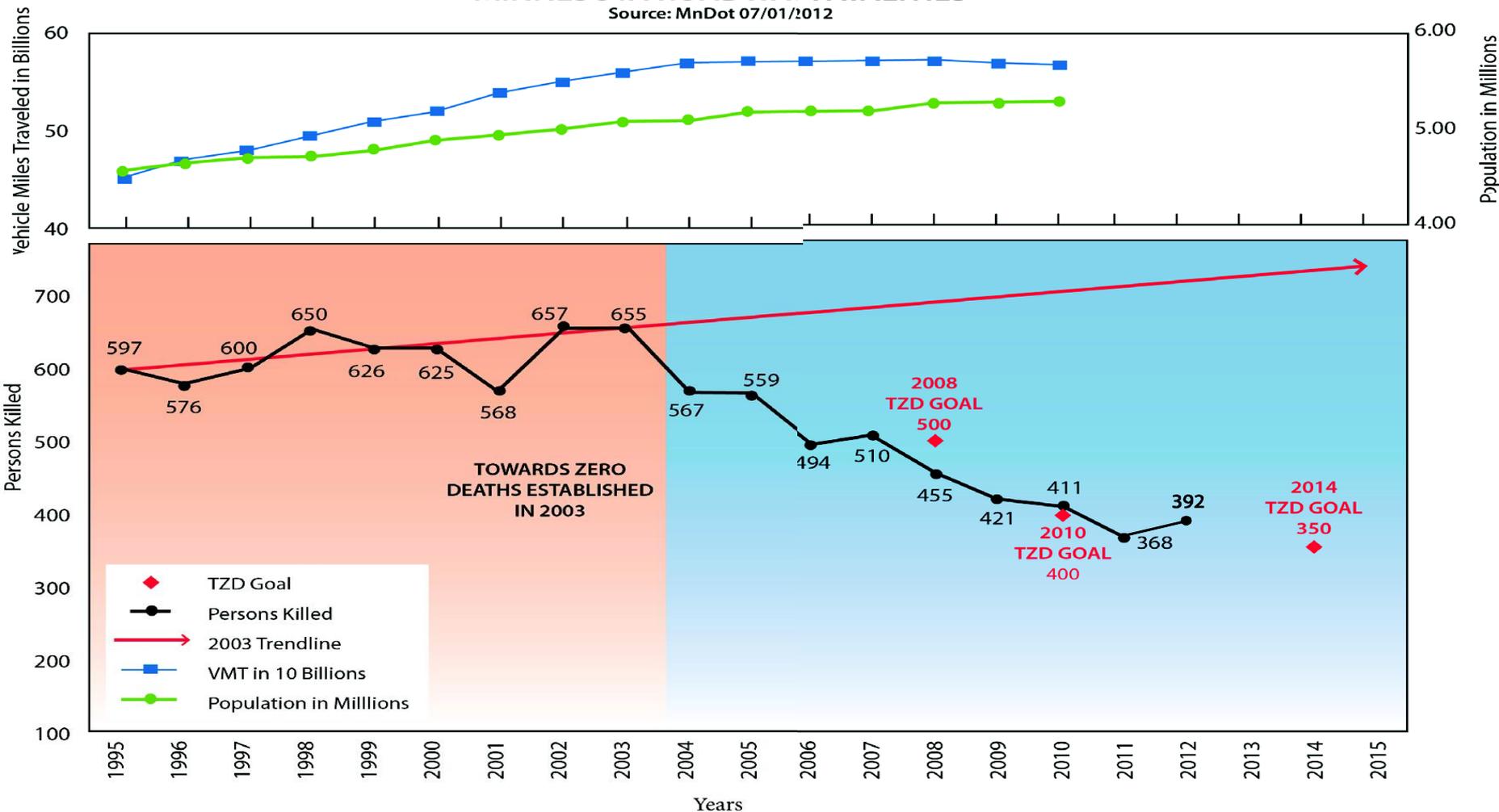




Safety – Toward Zero Deaths

MINNESOTA ROADWAY FATALITIES

Source: MnDot 07/01/2012





New Work Zone Safety Campaign

- New public education campaign reminds motorists to slow down and pay attention in work zones
- Includes billboards, radio, television and online advertising
- Ads will run through November
- The campaign reminds motorists of the responsibility to keep themselves and workers safe.
- In 2012, there were 1,931 total crashes in Minnesota work zones. Three individuals were killed.



Mobility – Statewide Critical Connections

- Interregional Corridors
- Bicycle Paths/Lanes
- Accessible Pedestrian Crossings
- MnPASS Lanes
- Greater MN Transit



Innovation – Fostering a culture of innovation

- Rural Intersection Safety Projects
- Accelerated Construction Projects
- MnPASS Lanes





Leadership – White House Champions of Change

- On May 8, 2013, MnDOT's Office of Traffic, Safety and Technology was awarded a Champions of Change award from the White House
- Award is for testing, designing and helping to deploy dozens of intersection conflict warning systems (RICWS) throughout Minnesota, while leading a national effort to do more of the same throughout rural America.
- Context is TZD – saving lives
- This is quite an honor – congrats to OTST and all our local partners!





Transparency – Building Trust

- Citizens define transparency at MnDOT through an understanding of:
 1. Where does transportation money come from?
 2. How is it spent?
 3. How are priorities determined (which projects)?
 4. What are MnDOT's agency goals?
 5. What's MnDOT's progress toward achieving these goals?





Vision in Action

- **Minnesota GO 50-year vision for transportation**
 - Better align the multimodal transportation system with what Minnesotans expect for their quality of life, economy and natural environment
- **Minnesota State Highway Investment Plan 2014-2033 (MnSHIP)**
 - Support the guiding principles from the Minnesota GO vision and link the policies and strategies laid out in the Statewide Multimodal Transportation Plan
- **Transportation Financing Advisory Committee (TFAC)**
 - Established by Governor Mark Dayton to analyze potential revenue sources and non-traditional approaches to transportation funding and financing as well as opportunities for public-private partnerships





Corridor Investment Management Strategy

- CIMS - a strategy to address collaboration opportunities on corridors
 - Design: Incorporate local input into MnDOT project design
 - Prioritize: Time MnDOT projects to coincide with development opportunities and local partner construction schedules
 - Partner: Plan joint projects with local partners
 - Prepare: Identify and develop candidate projects for potential discretionary funding





CIMS Solicitation Update

- The deadline for submitting CIMS applications was April 30
- MnDOT received 45 applications (28 Greater Minnesota and 17 metro area)
- \$115 million is the total amount requested in CIMS funding to help fund \$250 million worth of projects
- As we have \$30 million total for this round of the solicitation, the selection process will be highly competitive
- Reviewing and scoring the applications over the next 6 weeks
- Recommendations to Transportation Planning Investment Committee (TPIC) on June 20





Transportation Economic Development

- A joint initiative of MnDOT and the MN Department of Employment and Economic Development
- Provides competitive grants for transportation infrastructure projects intended to promote job creation and economic development
- The first two solicitations in 2010 and 2012 funded 24 projects around the state (\$56 million program funds leveraging \$100+ million in additional public and private funds)





TED Update

- 25 applications (7 from the metro area, 18 from Greater Minnesota) were submitted in the current solicitation
- The requests totaled \$73 million, roughly evenly split between TH eligible costs and non-TH eligible costs
- Metro area projects would rely more heavily on TH funding; Greater Minnesota projects would rely more heavily on general funds or GO bonding
- Legislature is still determining the TED program's FY 2014-15 available funding:
 - Governors proposal: \$20 million in General Funds
 - House Bill: \$10 million in General Funds; \$10 million in TH bonds
 - Senate Bill: \$20 million in TH Bonds (no funding for local road or modal projects)





Transportation Finance Advisory Committee

- Recommends a transportation system to support a world class state
- Embrace efficiency, HROI approach and innovations
- Must include significant new revenues
- Engage in a dialogue around the state to tell the transportation story
 - Consumer research shows about half of Minnesota citizens are not aware of the risks to future transportation funding
 - TFAC members offered to participate in this dialogue by helping to tell the story
 - Communication tool kit developed – <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/tfac/>
 - Link to A to B video - created to underscore the value of an up-to-date, connected transportation system in our state
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7WIHCtLsONY>





What's ahead

- Future funding
- Education and outreach – A to B funding needs
- In this together





Thank you!

