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## News Release

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## **Tell us what you think about future road plans in Northfield**

*Dakota County seeks feedback on future highway alignment in and around Northfield*

Residents of Dakota and Rice Counties are invited to learn about and comment on a road study and potential future highway alignments near the City of Northfield at an open house scheduled for Thursday, May 1 at the Northfield City Hall, 801 Washington Street. The open house will take place from 4 to 7 p.m.

The open house will focus on the roads and the range of alternatives for future County Highway 23 and 43 alignments in Northfield, Bridgewater Township, Eureka Township and Greenvale Township. Residents from these communities are encouraged to come. The event is free and anyone can attend any time during the duration of the open house. No formal presentation is planned.

To plan for future development and accommodate growth, staff from Dakota and Rice Counties and the City of Northfield is looking at options for future county highway alignments north and west of Northfield. Planning roads before widespread development helps reduce costs as well as provides communities more choices for where to locate future roads prior to development.

During the open house, staff will be available to explain the goals of the study; provide information on the range of alternative alignment options; and explain the evaluation based on a range of community, natural resource and engineering criteria.

Maps, exhibits and handouts will also be available. More information about the Northwest Northfield Highway Corridor Study is available on the Dakota County Web site at:

[www.co.dakota.mn.us/EnvironmentRoads/Reports/Road/NorthfieldRoadwayStudy.htm](http://www.co.dakota.mn.us/EnvironmentRoads/Reports/Road/NorthfieldRoadwayStudy.htm). For more information, contact Scott Peters, Dakota County Transportation Department, 952-891-7027.