

Dakota County Principal Arterial Study Subarea Meetings

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The Dakota County Principal Arterial Study is underway and will address the future designation of some highways in the County as principal arterials.

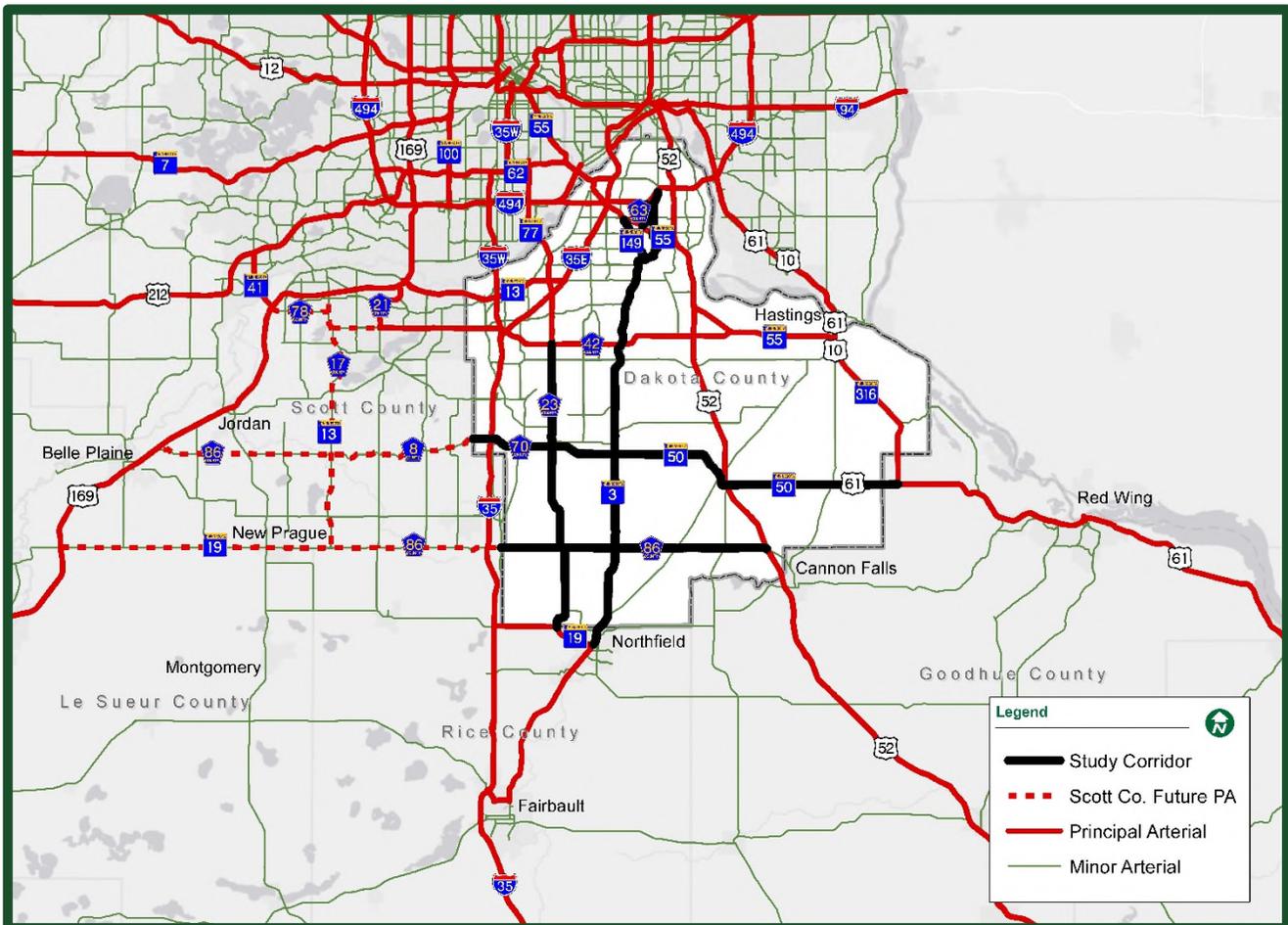
What Are Principal Arterials?

Principal arterials (PAs) are freeways or highways that are planned and managed to provide time-efficient and safe travel over long distances for many motorists - with emphasis on mobility over access.

Why Study Principal Arterials?

Dakota County's PA network is well established to the north, but not as well south of County 42 & east of I-35. The study will help the County and communities address:

- Growth
- Connections to neighboring counties and cities
- Regional travel patterns



This Study is considering designating additional highways in Dakota County as PAs to round out the system. Technical guidance encourages logical spacing of PAs. This includes spacing of 2-6 miles apart in developed suburban areas and 6-12 miles apart in rural areas. Highways being studied include:

- County 63
- MN 3
- MN 149
- County 23 (Cedar Ave.)
- County 70
- MN 50 – US 61
- County 86

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