



# Minnesota Department of Transportation

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The Honorable Joe Gimse, Chair  
Senate Transportation Committee  
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House Ways and Means Committee  
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The Honorable Claire A. Robling, Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
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## RE: Yearly Listing of all Executed Design-Build Contracts

Minnesota Statutes 161.3428 requires the Commissioner of Transportation to submit to the Governor, the chairs of the House of Representatives Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees, the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance, and the Legislative Reference Library, a yearly listing of all executed design-build contracts. The report must identify the contractor, contract amount, duration, and services provided. The list and summary must be sorted by contractor, show the aggregate value of contracts, and state the termination date of each contract.

Design-build is a contracting process that brings designers and contractors together in the early stages of a project. An alternative to the traditional design-bid-build method of project delivery, design-build shortens completion time by overlapping the design and construction stages. MnDOT clearly defines the standards and general specifications for a project, and the design-build team works together with the department to implement those requirements.

Since September 1, 2010, the Minnesota Department of Transportation has executed the following three design-build contracts.

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### **Trunk Highway 169/Interstate 494 Construction**

This project converts the Trunk Highway 169/Interstate 494 interchange to freeway design. The project includes construction of 9 bridges (four flyover bridges), widening of 3 bridges, 6 roundabouts, local/frontage roads, noise walls, and retaining walls. A contract in the amount of \$125,289,501 was awarded to the joint venture of McCrossan/Kraemer. This contract was executed on November 10, 2010. The contract requires substantial completion (open to traffic) by November 14, 2012, and final acceptance within 200 calendar days following substantial completion.

### **Trunk Highways 13/101 Construction**

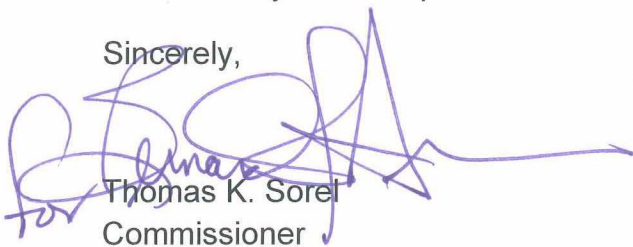
This project will construct an interchange at the Trunk Highways 13/101 intersection in Savage. The proposed construction includes a bridge and retaining walls that will carry the eastbound traffic over the northbound/southbound lanes with a new signal at Trunk Highway 13/101 for left turning vehicles. A contract in the amount of \$19,037,000 was awarded to Ames Construction. This contract was executed on March 30, 2011. The contract requires substantial completion (open to traffic) by June 1, 2012, and final acceptance by December 18, 2012.

### **Trunk Highway 52 Construction**

This project will construct a new interchange on Trunk Highway 52 in Olmsted County between the cities of Pine Island and Oronoco. A contract in the amount of \$34,309,608 was awarded to Shafer Contracting. This contract was executed on December 8, 2010. The contract requires substantial completion (open to traffic) by August 13, 2012, and final acceptance within 200 calendar days following substantial completion.

Please feel free to contact Curt Kallio, MnDOT Design-Build Program Manager, at 651-366-4233 if you have questions about these design-build projects.

Sincerely,



Thomas K. Sorel  
Commissioner

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