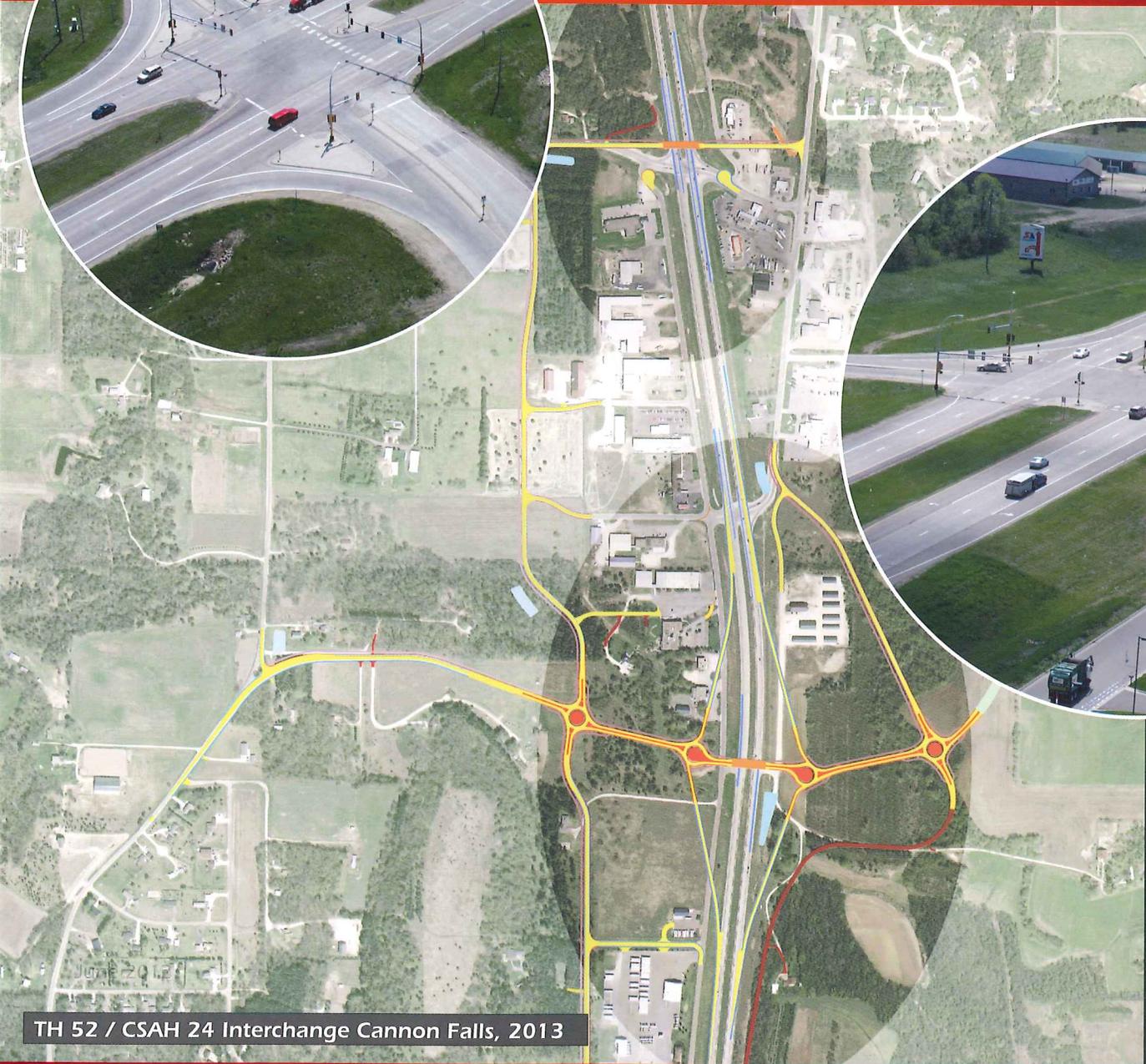
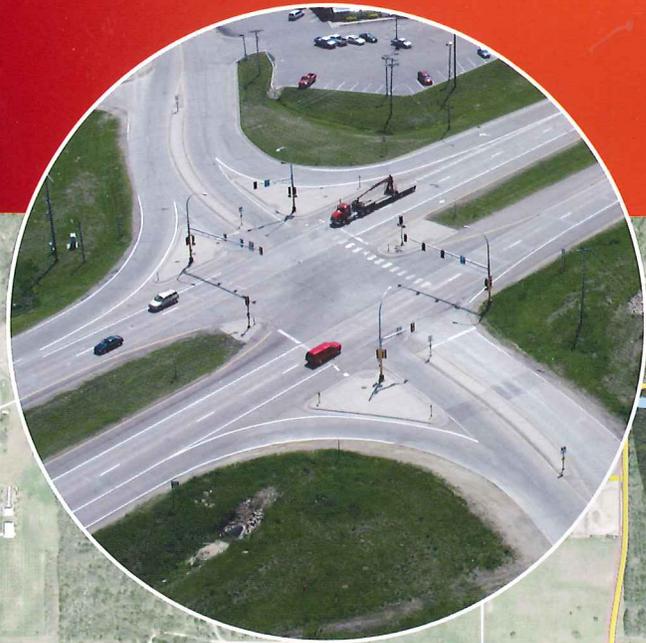


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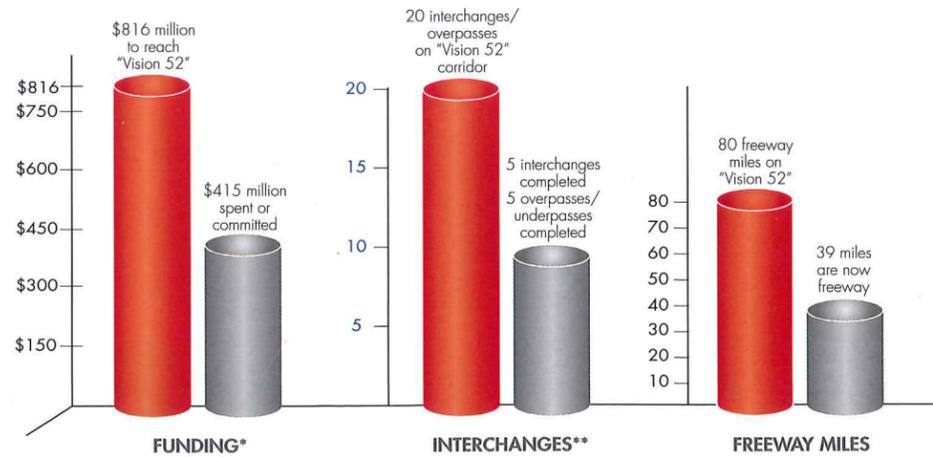
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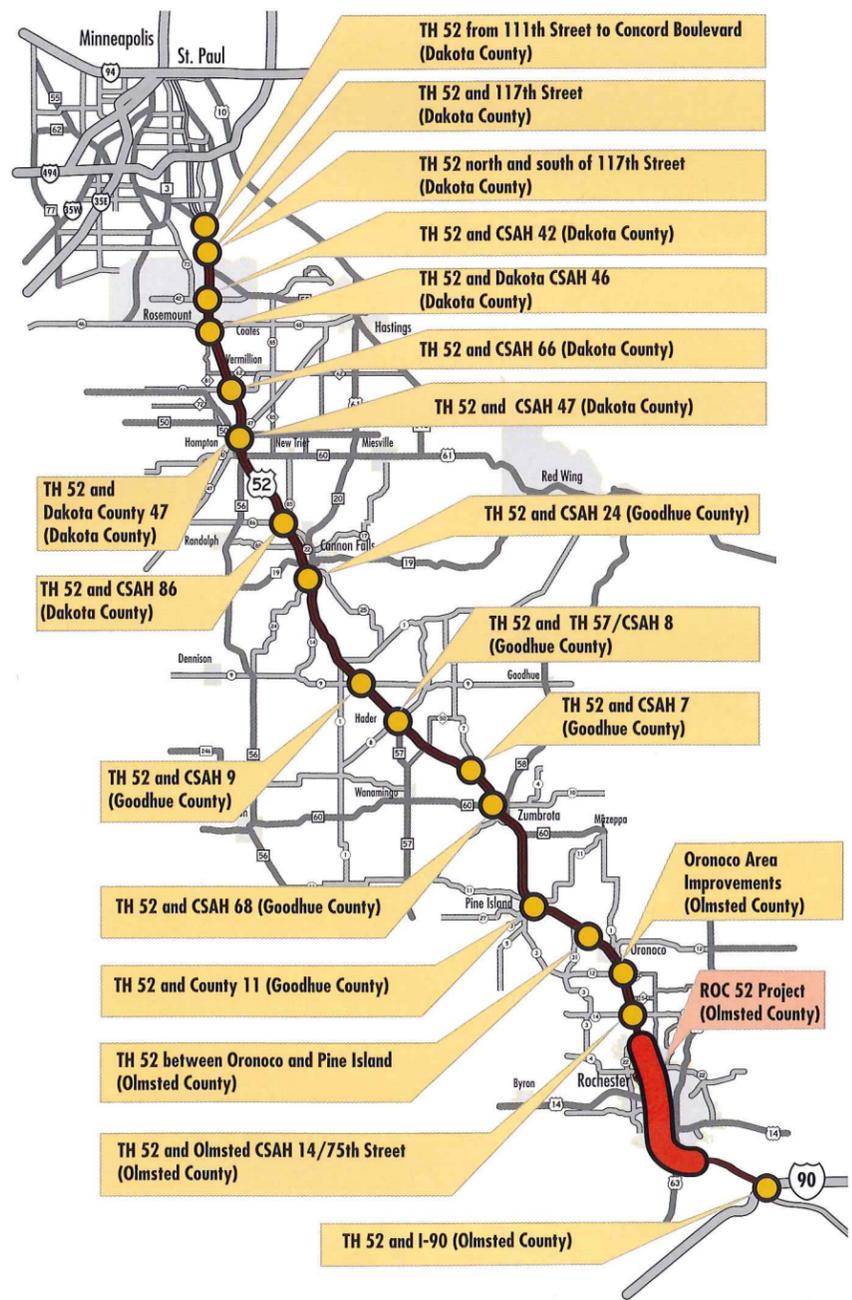


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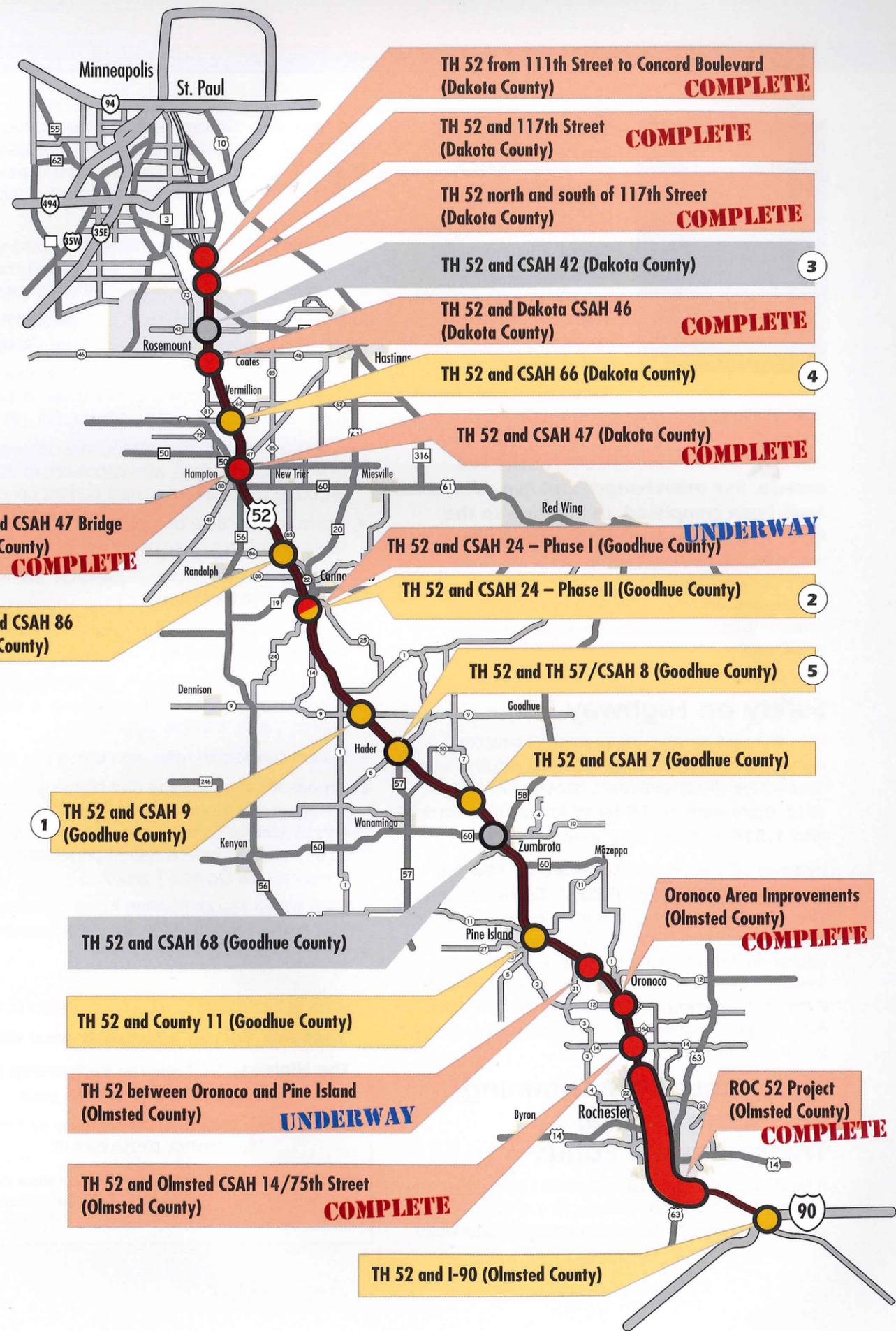
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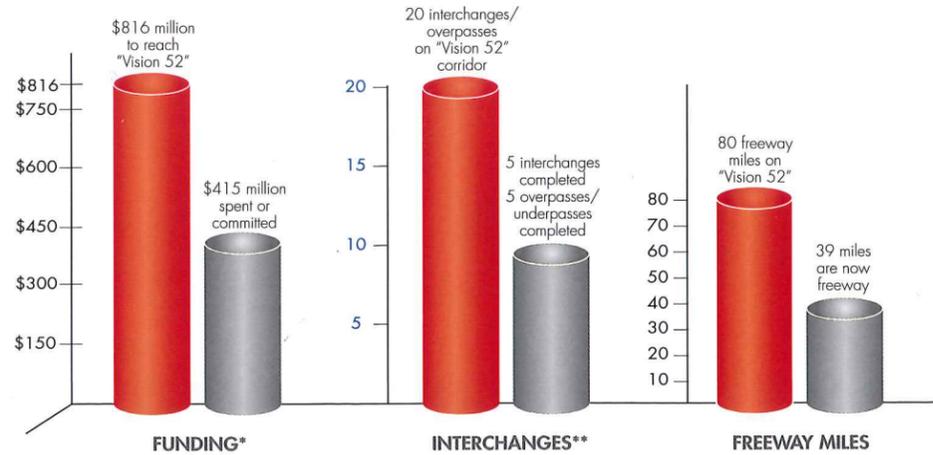
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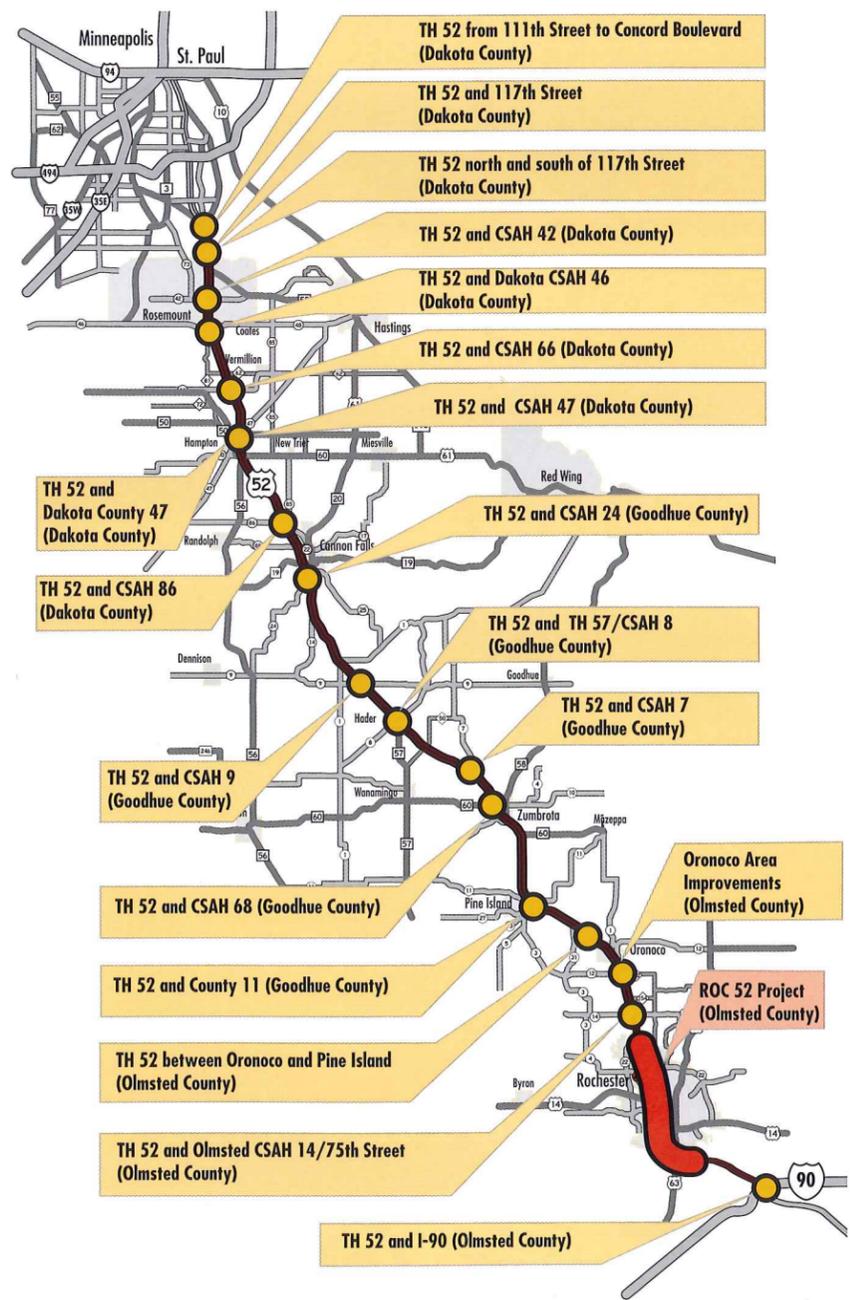


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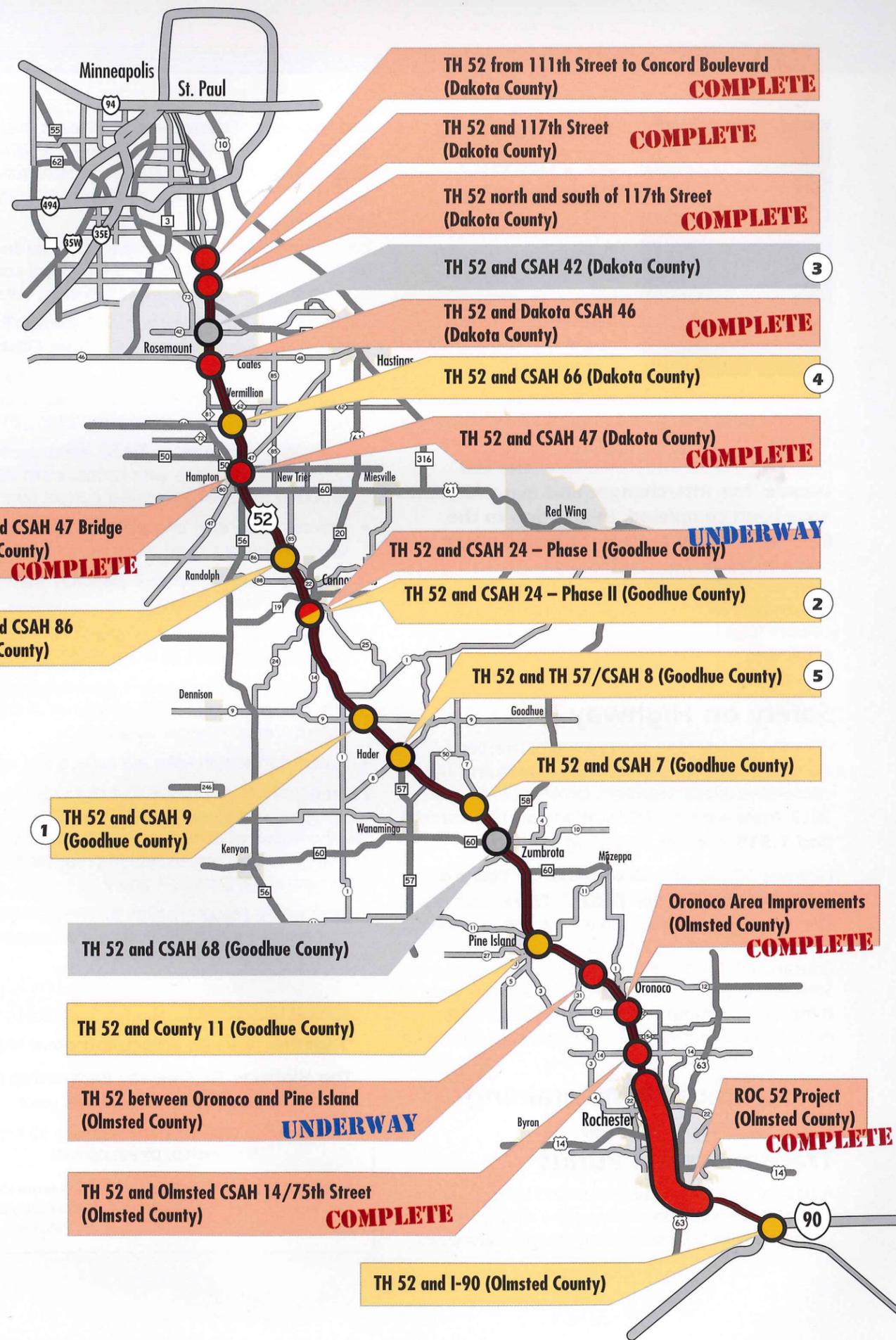


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The Highway 52 Freeway Partnership

is a collaboration between Dakota, Goodhue and Olmsted counties in association with MnDOT to advocate upgrading Highway 52 to a freeway design.

We are pleased to report progress continues to be made in achieving the vision of a modern Highway 52 freeway facility between Rochester and the Twin Cities. **Over the last decade, five interchanges and five overpasses have been completed, in addition to the ROC 52 freeway project through Rochester;** however, we still have a long way to go in order to make our vision a reality for the travelers and business people who rely on this important interregional corridor to get their goods to market and their employees to work.

Safety on Highway 52

Over the past decade, the number of fatalities along the corridor have declined as a result of our cooperative efforts. However, between 2003 and 2012, there were still **49 fatalities on the corridor and 1,515 crashes involving injuries.**

Highway 52 has been **designated a "Toward Zero Deaths Corridor (TZD)."** TZD is a Minnesota interagency partnership with the mission "to move Minnesota toward zero deaths on our roads, using Education, Enforcement, Engineering and Emergency Services." In terms of public recognition, "Highway 52 is the most infamous corridor in the TZD program." Achieving the Highway 52 Vision will help accomplish this important goal.

Importance of Maintaining/Increasing Federal Transportation Funds

A healthy economy requires a sound transportation system. Transportation infrastructure allows economic activity by connecting people, businesses

and resources. Government, at all levels, has a responsibility to ensure that safe and adequate roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure are available to the public and businesses that rely on the transportation system.

Unless investment levels are increased, the condition of state and regional roadway systems will continue to decline, as evidenced by the following data:

In Congressional Districts 1 & 2 (MnDOT District 6, including Olmsted and Goodhue Counties)

- The high number of bridges in satisfactory condition are projected to fall into fair or poor condition by 2020, if not addressed in 2015-2020.
- Pavement conditions on TH 52 are currently well below desired targets with conditions in 2020 expected to remain at or near current conditions.
- Approximately 80% of projected funding will be spent on infrastructure preservation.

In Congressional District 2 (MnDOT Metro including Dakota County)

- Principal Arterial system pavement conditions will decline slightly from 2011 to 2020.
- Non-Principal Arterial system pavement conditions will remain near the same conditions as current system, which is below targets.
- System congestion miles are expected to increase.

It is important to emphasize that highway needs currently exceed funding levels. Therefore, reauthorization at current levels will not be sufficient to resolve existing serious system preservation needs in Congressional Districts 1 and 2.

Further, unless reauthorization funding is increased, urgent system mobility and safety improvements along TH 52 will not be advanced.

"Together, we can accomplish great things".

The Highway 52 Freeway Partnership looks forward to working with you!

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