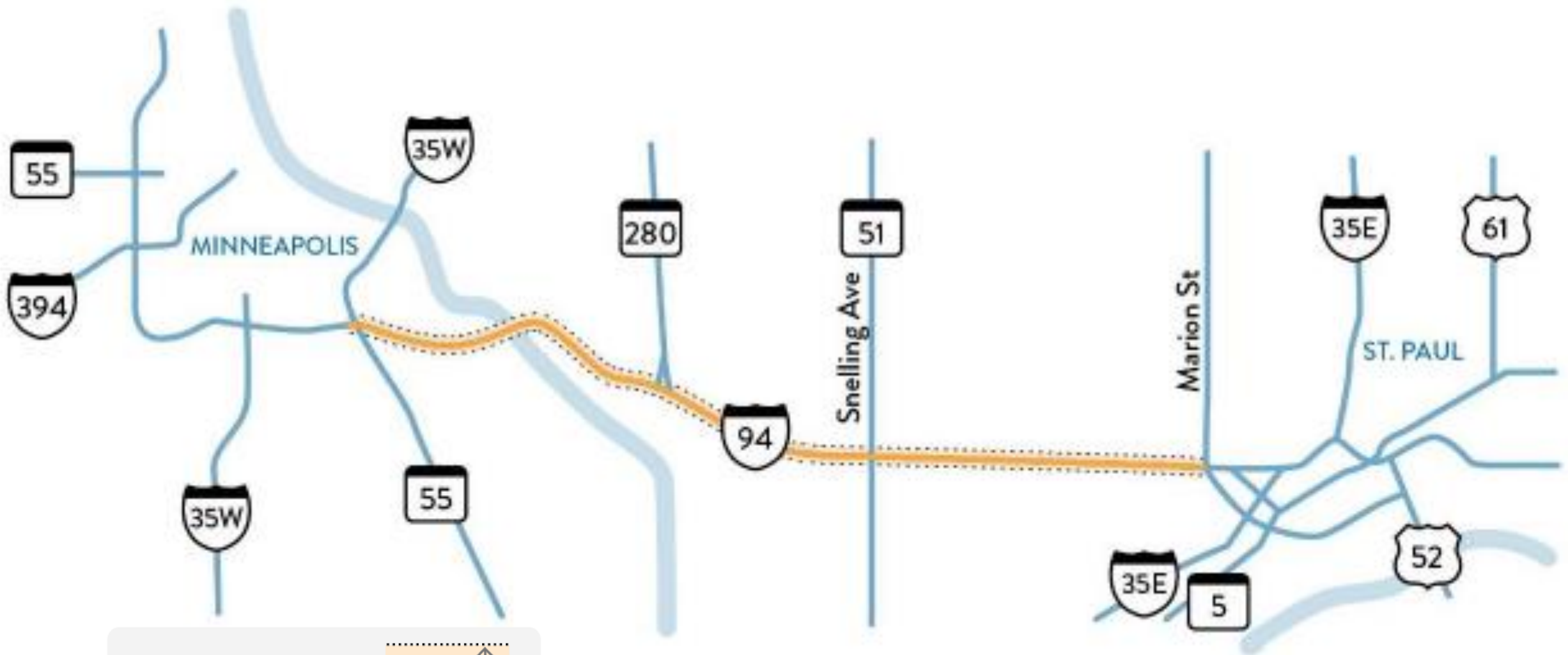


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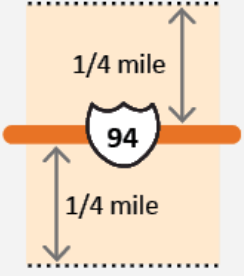
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February 22, 2024



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 Study Area



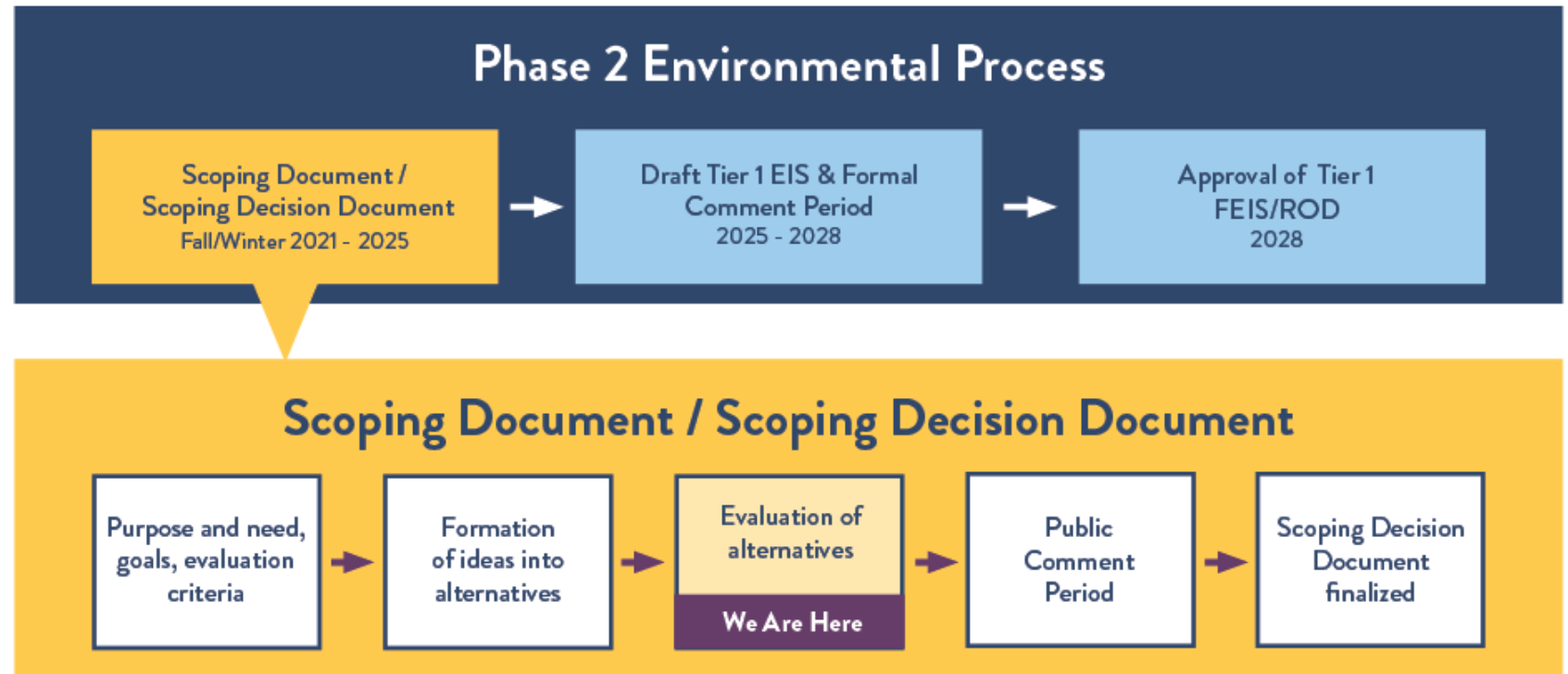
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Schedule

Rethinking I-94 Overall Project Schedule



Schedule subject to change (updated 2-20-2024)

Purpose

Projects within the Rethinking I-94 program will accomplish the following:

- Improve mobility for people and goods on, along, and across the corridor in a way that facilitates community connections for all modes
- Enhance safety for people and goods on, along, and across the I-94 corridor for all modes
- Address aging infrastructure condition within the I-94 corridor
- Support transportation objectives consistent with adopted state and regional (Met Council) plans

Needs

- Walkability and bikeability



- Safety



- Infrastructure condition



- Mobility



Goals

- Identify opportunities for establishing the following for the communities that live, work, gather, and play around the corridor:



- Develop and execute a community-based approach focused on reconnecting neighborhoods, revitalizing communities, and ensuring residents have a meaningful voice in transportation decisions that affect their lives.

Alternatives

- In July of 2023 MnDOT released ten alternatives to the public
- Wide variety of alternatives are under consideration
- Developed in partnership with community members, technical experts across various level of local, state, and federal agencies
- Combination of highway and transit ideas that reflect the basic footprint and number of lanes

Engagement Performed

June – Nov 2023

BY THE NUMBERS



2,008,046+

impressions resulted from paid, earned, and owned media platforms including newspapers, the project social media, website, and digital advertising

280+

stakeholder organizations engaged via email, meetings, presentations, and conversations



63

organizations and local communities were represented between Community Leaders and Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Members

25

meetings and presentations were given by MnDOT project staff



21

community events were attended by MNDOT staff

1,163+

community members engaged in individual conversations



3,350

surveys were completed



9



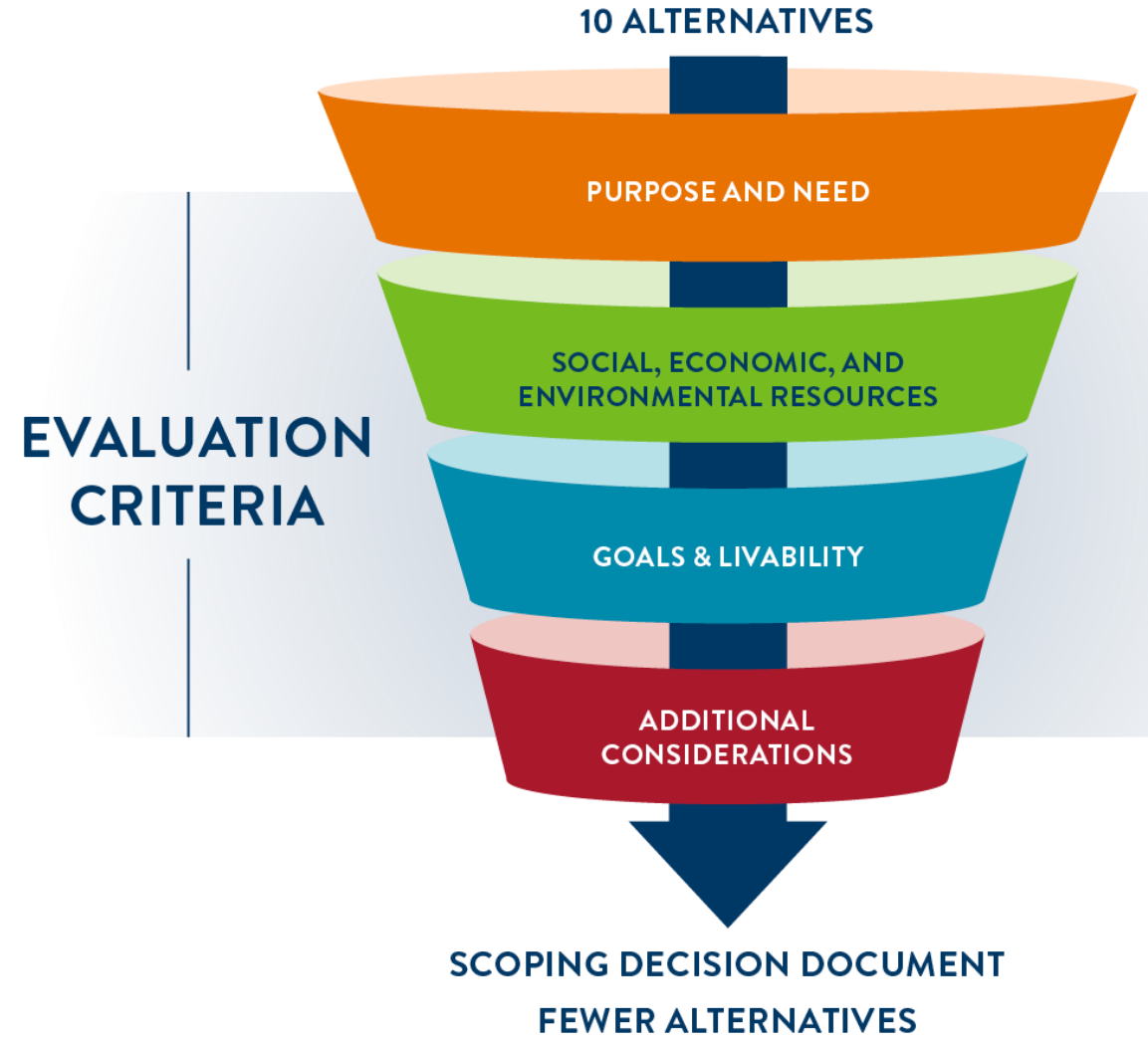
project update e-newsletters editions distributed to over 13,000 subscribers

Alternatives Refinement and Evaluation

Alternatives Refinement/Evaluation

- Coordination with ReConnect Rondo on potential land bridge (all alternatives)
- MnDOT creating lid/stitch/land bridge working group
- Opportunities for enhanced elements related to walking, biking and rolling
- Opportunities for aesthetics
- Opportunities for technology

Alternatives Refinement and Evaluation



Rethinking I-94 Next Steps

Next Steps

- Technical activities
 - Refine and evaluate alternatives
 - Develop Scoping Document/Draft Scoping Decision Document
- Engagement activities
 - Meet with partner agencies
 - Continue to meet with interested stakeholder, neighborhood, schools, and business groups to discuss the project
 - Community Voices
 - Community Ambassadors
 - High school interns
 - Community Leaders meeting

Thank You

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