

About Hendrum, Minnesota

The City of Hendrum is conveniently located just 30 minutes north of Fargo-Moorhead on Highway 75. The city has a reputation for providing a safe community, small class sizes, and quiet retreats. Yet Hendrum's 290 residents also enjoy a vibrant and growing local economy that is home to 17 business locations.

Unlike many other small towns in the Red River Valley, Hendrum's median age is just 37 years old. The city has particular appeal for young professionals who are pursuing exciting career goals while raising their children in a small town. To accommodate current and future growth, the city recently developed the Wild Rice Addition to provide affordable workforce housing.

In order to sustain and enhance its reputation as an affordable, safe, and vibrant community, Hendrum plans to perform important roadway improvements during 2025.

Current Road Conditions

Hendrum's existing streets are comprised of gravel roadways and asphalt streets. Many of the asphalt streets are in poor condition and show significant signs of failure such as potholes, cracked depressions, and rutting. These failures create unpleasant, inefficient, and potentially hazardous driving conditions.

Beginning in 2020, Hendrum hired consultants to inspect the roadway conditions. The assessments confirmed many of the city's streets lack adequate asphalt and aggregate base. Moreover, the aggregate base under the asphalt is comprised of unstable silty sand and little gravel. If the roadways are not repaired, these issues will persist, and the roads will continue to produce failures like those pictured to the right.



Cracked depressions and loose asphalt on Main Street West in Hendrum

Project Overview and Cost

In keeping with recommendations from recent consultant reports, Hendrum plans to perform three types of roadway improvements:

- 1. Pave existing gravel streets with asphalt.
- 2. Rehabilitate repairable asphalt roadways using a mill and overlay process.
- 3. Reconstruct roadways that are beyond repair and lack adequate aggregate base.

The city is seeking creative solutions to fund this important effort to improve road conditions. **The total project cost is \$3,250,000** and includes all engineering, legal, administrative, and construction fees.

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