

Local Bridges in Minnesota

There are approximately 16,000 bridges owned by local agencies in Minnesota. Assuming an average bridge lifespan of 50 years, 320 bridges would need to be replaced per year on average. Over the last several years, funding has allowed replacement of 100-200 bridges per year.

The five-year master bridge list includes **924 bridges with an estimated total replacement cost of over \$762 million, with an estimated need for \$252 million in state bridge funds.**

Five-Year Local Bridge Estimated Needs

Agency	# Bridges	State Bridge Funds Requested	Town bridge Funds Requested	Federal Funds	State Aid Funds	Local Funds	Total
Township	334	-	\$124,035,598	-	-	\$5,535,000	\$129,570,598
Small City	17	\$5,726,700	-	-	-	\$603,000	\$6,329,700
State Aid City	26	\$13,840,400	-	\$21,286,400	\$26,094,370	\$420,000	\$61,641,170
County	547	\$233,007,071	-	\$92,009,551	\$210,497,055	\$29,105,250	\$564,618,927
TOTAL	924	\$252,574,171	\$124,035,598	\$113,295,951	\$236,591,425	\$35,663,250	\$762,160,395

In 2025, 78 bridge projects on the city and county systems received **\$33.7 million in state bridge funds**. These projects were able to leverage an **additional \$69.7 million in local, state aid, and federal funds**. Bridge projects were funded through October 24, 2025 with funds appropriated in session law and the proceeds from the MVLST. Available funds were depleted and a waiting list began on October 24, 2025.

Local Roadways

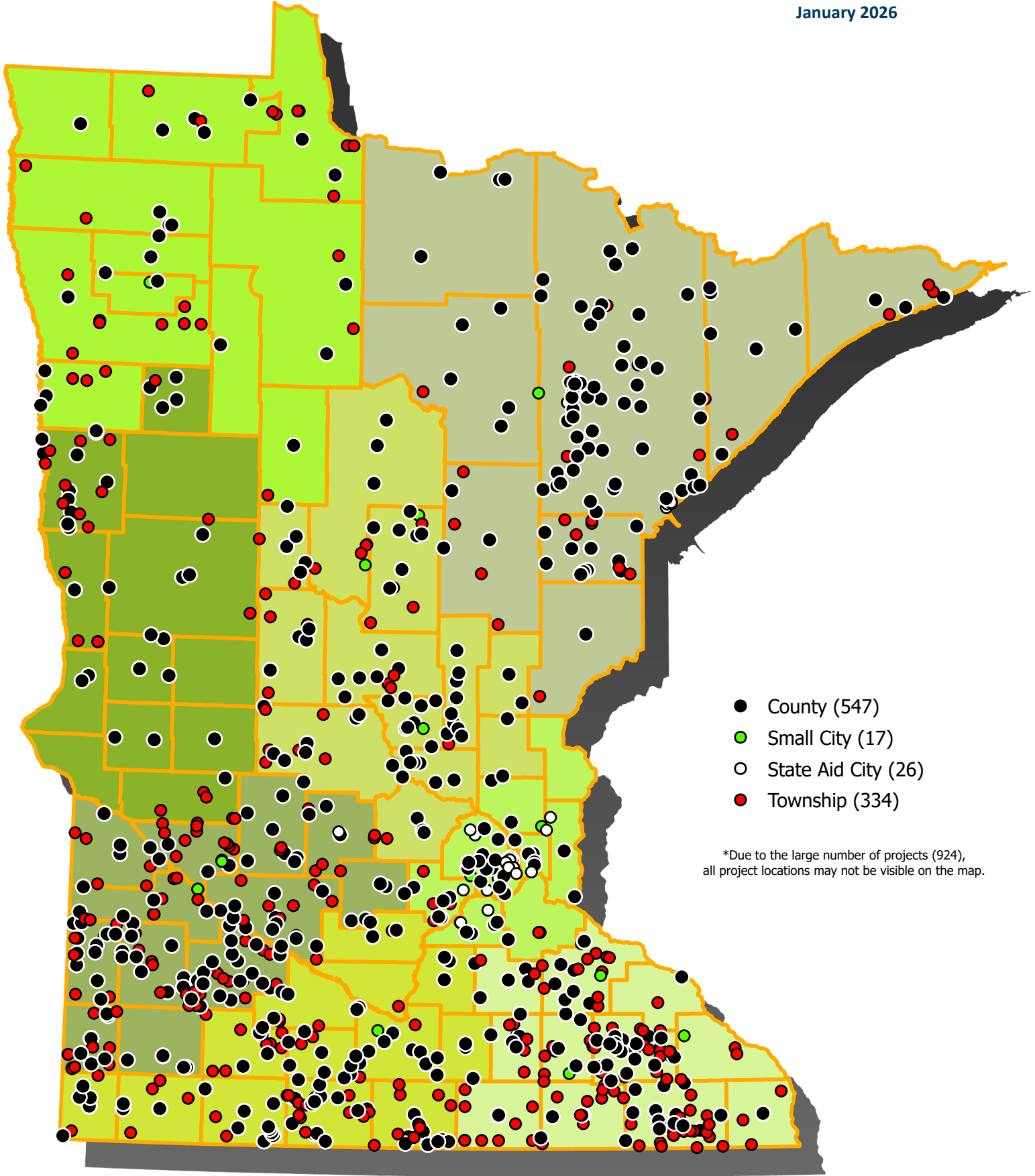
The Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) provides funding assistance to local agencies and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes for construction, reconstruction, or reconditioning projects. The program was created in 2002. The 2025 bonding bill provided **\$47M – GO Bonds**. State Aid received **233 application** submittals with requests of nearly **\$278 million** in LRIP grant funding.

Appropriation Year*	Competitive LRIP		Earmarked LRIP	
	LRIP Funds (millions)	No. of Projects Funded	LRIP Funds (millions)	No. of Projects Funded
2014	\$54.4	43	-	-
2015	\$4.3	9	\$9.3	3
2016	\$0.0	n/a	-	-
2017	\$25.3	45	\$90.6	11
2018	\$35.0	53	\$75.4	16
2019	\$0.0	n/a	-	-
2020	\$75.0	75	\$109.9	23
2021	\$5.5	8	\$30.9	10
2022	\$0.0	n/a	-	-
2023**	\$102.967	86	\$235.56	38
2024	-	-	\$1.0	1
2025	\$47.0	42	\$0.5	1

EXHIBIT 3 - Local Bridge Replacement Program

5-year Master Bridge Replacement Priority List for 2026-2030

January 2026



- County (547)
- Small City (17)
- State Aid City (26)
- Township (334)

*Due to the large number of projects (924), all project locations may not be visible on the map.

Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP)

Competitive and Earmarked Projects: 2014-2025

January 2026

