## **City of Floodwood**

## **Local Sales Tax Legislation**

## **Project Regional Significance**

The City of Floodwood is located in St. Louis County in northeast Minnesota at the intersection of State Highway 73 and U.S Highway 2. Floodwood lies about 45 miles from the cities of Duluth, Cloquet, Grand Rapids, Hibbing and Moose Lake.

Floodwood is home to a vibrant business sector, large regional independent school district, area healthcare complex, State Department of Motor Vehicle Offices, MNDOT truck station, St. Louis Public Works facility, area banking center, dental office, daycare, snowmobile trails, a river walk, golf course, campground, and a boat landing on the Floodwood River with access to the St. Louis River. Floodwood is truly a traffic and tourism hub in the region.

Due to the amount of tourist and business traffic through the city, the infrastructure within the city is heavily used by non-residents which stresses the water, sewer and street systems causing the city residents to be responsible for large annual operation and maintenance costs.

The local sales tax will help the City of Floodwood to capture some revenues from visitors and local businesses. This revenue will help Floodwood defray the cost of the Floodwood City-wide Street and Infrastructure Project as described in the attached Council Resolution.