



# 2022 State Legislature Bonding Request

# **Savage Road and Bridge Improvement**

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The City of Savage is seeking funding for an expansion of Quentin Avenue in Savage and reconstruction of two City-owned railroad bridges that pass over Quentin Avenue.

#### **Rationale**

- This is a unique issue that began in 1941 when the bridge over Quentin Avenue was built as a single-lane stop sign pass through with a height clearance of 10'6".
- The bridge does not meet the current minimum 14' 6" clearance standard and constricts traffic flow for a major connection road. Certain trucks cannot pass through, for example, emergency vehicles like fire trucks.
- Since both bridges are on the same rail line, if you replace one and raise the portion of the track over Quentin Ave. the other bridge would also have to replaced and raised.
- This project needs to be completed before MNDOT improves the intersection at Highway 13 and Quentin Avenue.

 The City of Savage bought these bridges in 2008 to facilitate the future improvements of Quentin Avenue.

## Benefits to the region

- A local roadway study forecasted Quentin Avenue as the main connection between County Road 16 and Highway 13.
- When improvements are complete on TH 13, Quentin Avenue will serve regional needs for those accessing US-169 and I-35 via TH 13

### **Bonding request**

 \$7,438,000 for predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip for two bridges.

