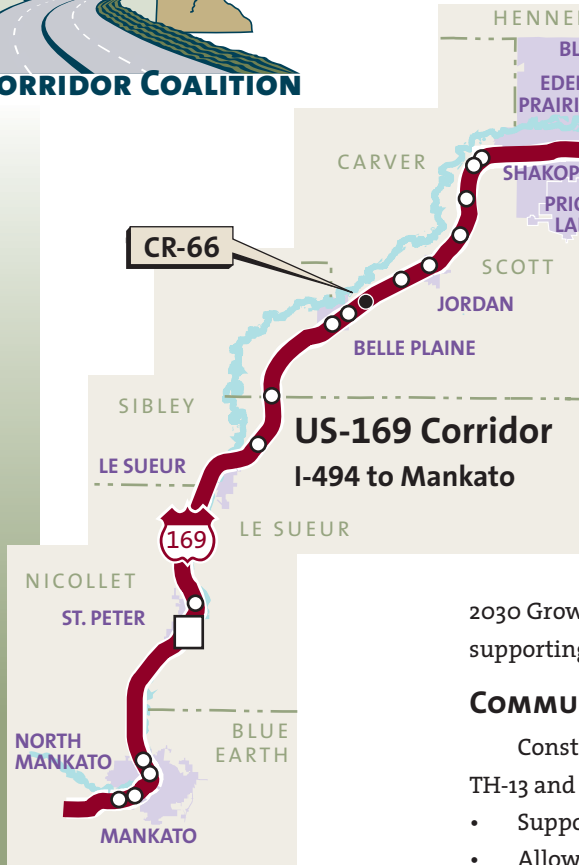




CR-66 GRADE SEPARATION

STUDY NEEDED TO IMPROVE US-169 MOBILITY



One overpass and two interchange concepts were developed for CR-66 at US-169 in 2001-02 as part of the interregional corridor study. In 2004, Scott County conducted a *CSAH-8 Corridor Preservation Study* identifying a future principal arterial alignment (CSAH-8) that would connect I-35 to US-169. When completed, CSAH-8 would be the first continuous east-west arterial road to connect the two principal arterials. The access to US-169 is intended to be located at the current CR-64 intersection in Belle Plaine.

Scott County has identified CSAH-8 as a future principal arterial in their *2030 Comprehensive Plan Update*. The corridor preservation study showed a concept of closing CR-66 at its current location. The alignment of the future CR-66 would connect to US-169 north of the current CR-66 intersection. In the county road study, no concept plans were developed for the proposed relocation of the interchange/overpass, nor were plans for local supporting roads developed. CR-66 is in the City of Belle Plaine

2030 Growth Boundary. Agreement on a plan for the intersection and a plan for future supporting streets is needed.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

Construction of a east-west principle arterial that connects to US-169, I-35, TH-21, TH-13 and CSAH-17 would:

- Support the mobility of the US-169 Corridor.
- Allow for development and right-of-way preservation to occur with a clearly identified plan in place.
- Construction of an interchange or overpass would improve safety on the corridor by removing at-grade intersections.

FUNDING

Estimated study cost: \$550,000.

Concept development that will lead to a layout and preliminary design is needed.

QUESTIONS

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