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U.S. 169 Happenings

The Highway 169 Project Prioritization Process Has Been Completed:

Our Coalition has been working together for more than 14 years and we have made great strides to improve safety, mobility, and efficiency along the US 169 corridor from Mankato to the Twin Cities. Many of the Coalition's priorities are nearing completion or are transitioning from planning to construction.

In 2024, the Coalition engaged membership to conduct a data-driven project prioritization process. **We are excited to share the results of the Highway 169 project prioritization process** with our members, elected officials, and stakeholders across the state and to continue to advance safety and mobility improvements along the corridor. **The Coalition's priority project handout is included with this letter.** We look forward to sharing this information broadly in 2025 and beyond.

Dear Members,

As we conclude another year for the U.S. Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition, I am delighted to reflect on our achievements in 2024. We engaged our membership to identify and reaffirm priority projects for Highway 169 and expressed our gratitude to legislators for their support on numerous projects along the corridor. To cap off the year, we unveiled the results of the Hwy 169 Project Prioritization process at the winter full membership meeting and received updates from MnDOT, Rep. Bakeberg, and Sen. Pratt. The event was graciously hosted by the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community

Having already started the year with a productive discussion with MnDOT about upcoming work on Highway 169 from the Ferry Bridge to south of the County 15 (Marystown Road) interchange. We expect an even busier 2025, with activities planned to help the Coalition achieve its mission of enhancing safety, reducing congestion, and maximizing economic development along the U.S. Highway 169 interregional corridor. Some upcoming activities include:

- Coalition members attending the Transportation Alliance Transportation Day at the Minnesota Capitol to meet with legislators, advocate for transportation, and present our new Hwy 169 Project Priorities.
- Spring full membership meeting where we will elect and welcome of new board members, as well as receive an opportunity to tour the new 19,000-seat amphitheater in Shakopee.

The Corridor serves as a vital link between southern Minnesota and the Twin Cities metropolitan area and beyond. Your involvement has been crucial in driving infrastructure improvements that benefit all of our communities. A few of those improvements are listed below:

- US 169 / TH 282 / CR 9 Project Update (Scott County)
- Sand Creek Township Overpass Project Update (Sand Creek Township)
- TH 169 / CH 41 / CH 14 Project (Scott County)

We are glad to have you with us on this journey!
Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim DuLaney'.

Jim DuLaney; Hwy 169 Coalition Chair | Shakopee City Councilmember
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2025: A Look Ahead

2025 Membership Dues

In 2021, the Executive Board proposed a membership due reduction for governmental agencies that was approved by membership. Reduced dues rates have remained in effect for Coalition membership. Your remittance form is included with this letter. Thank you for your continued support of the Highway 169 Corridor Coalition!

Upcoming Meeting and Events

- **Legislative Event:** MN Transportation Day at the Capitol, on Thursday February 13th, 9 am in Saint Paul.
- **General Membership Meeting:** Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. Meeting will include a tour of the Shakopee Amphitheater and reception. More details will be shared with membership.
- **Minnesota Transportation Alliance Fly-In:** September 2025. Details to be announced.
- **Fall Membership Meeting:** November/December 2025. Date and location to be determined.

Highway 169 Coalition Executive Board

Chair: - Jim DuLaney, Shakopee City Council

Vice-Chair: Vance Stuehrenberg, Blue Earth County Commissioner

Secretary: Bob Coughlen, Savage City Council

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Scan the QR code to view past Coalition activities.

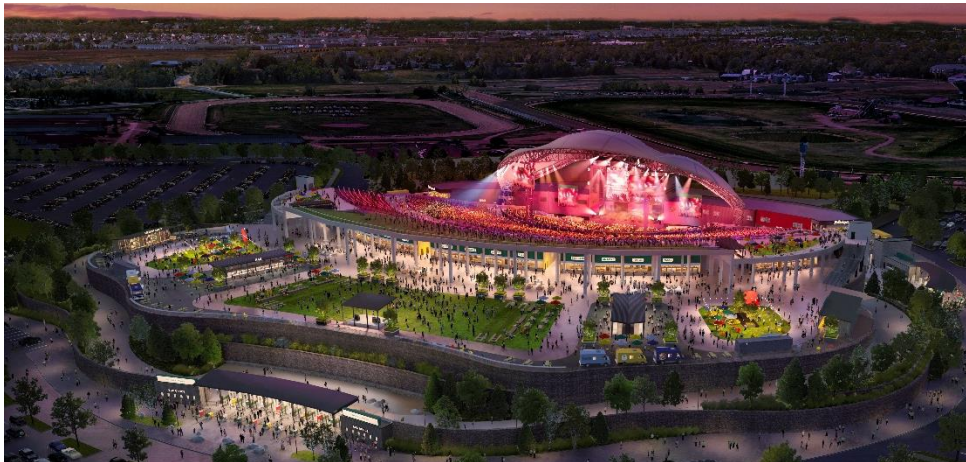


More Details Coming Soon >>>

Save the Date- May 22

Mark your calendar for a tour of the Shakopee Amphitheater on Thursday, May 22nd! The amphitheater is currently under construction and will be the largest outdoor constructed music venue in Minnesota with capacity for 19,000 fans. Join the Coalition for a behind the scenes tour followed by a reception.

Opening in late summer of 2025, the amphitheater will provide a significant boost to the local economy – creating 700 permanent jobs and serving as an anchor tenant drawing foot traffic to local businesses in Canterbury Commons, a \$400 million entertainment district being developed around Canterbury Park.



Rendering of the new amphitheater in Shakopee, MN opening in late summer of 2025.

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