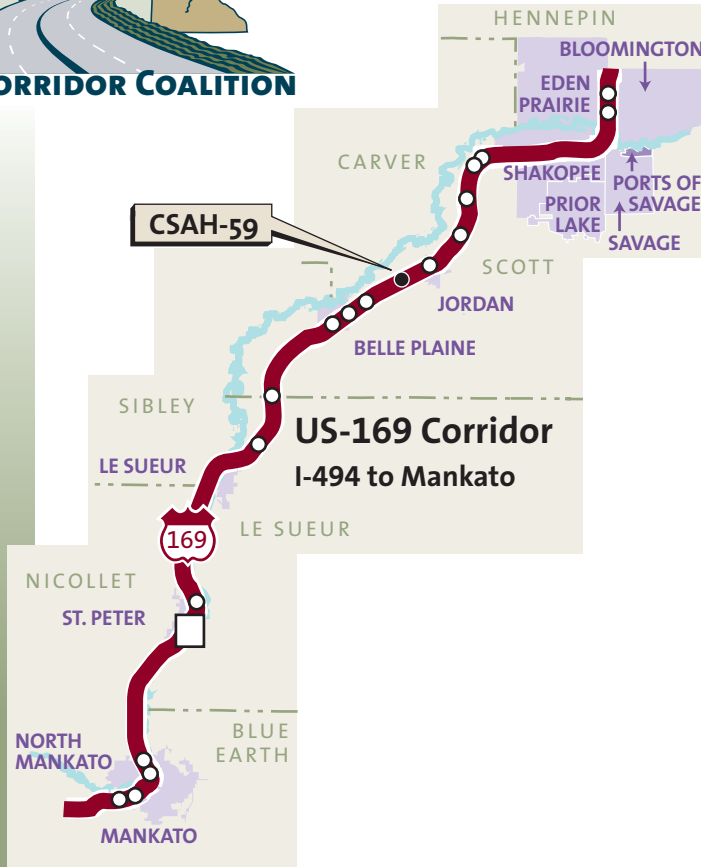




CSAH-59 INTERCHANGE

RIGHT-OF-WAY PRESERVATION AND INTERCHANGE CONSTRUCTION NEEDED



The intersection of US-169 and CSAH-59 serves rural residential and commercial properties in Scott County between the cities of Jordan and Belle Plaine. The land use in this area is expected to grow considerably after 2030. This urban density will drive the need for an interchange in the area to connect with US-169. CSAH-59 is a critical north/south minor arterial in the Scott County highway system. This roadway provides one of the few north/south connections between US-169 and TH-19 through the central portion of the county.

In 2003, a study was conducted to develop concepts for the intersection of US-169 and CSAH-59. Due to existing commercial properties and railroad tracks in the area influencing the design, a folded diamond concept was developed. The land use where the majority of the interchange would be constructed is agricultural. Preservation of the right-of-way would prevent costly acquisition in the future.

The layout for the interchange, shown below left, is conceptual. The geometric layout and required environmental work has yet to be completed.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

- Construction of the CSAH-59 interchange would:
- Support the mobility of the US-169 Corridor.
 - Improve safety on the corridor by removing at-grade intersections.
 - Support the growth area of the cities of Jordan and Belle Plaine.

FUNDING

Estimated right-of-way cost: \$600,000.
Estimated construction cost: \$25 million.

An alignment study and interchange concept development that leads to a layout and preliminary design for right-of-way preservation is still needed.

QUESTIONS

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