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### **Crow Wing County Launches Long-Range Transportation Plan**

Every day we all rely on a safe and dependable transportation system whether commuting to work or school, towing a boat to the lake, or walking or biking through our beautiful communities. We depend on a system that is well maintained, accessible and ready to meet our everyday needs.

The Crow Wing County Highway Department is launching the development of its first ever Long-Range Transportation Plan. This comprehensive plan will help identify and prioritize long term improvements focused on vehicle and pedestrian safety, road maintenance and prepare for future growth and change. The plan will help the county make informed decisions on future planning for the next ten to twenty years.

#### **Plan Goals:**

- Maintain and upgrade roads, bridges, and trails
- Support future growth and land use
- Protect natural resources and promote sustainability
- Enhance connectivity between communities
- Maintain a safe, cost-effective, and efficient transportation system.
- Develop a transportation system that serves the accessibility and mobility needs of all users
- Preserve and modernize the existing transportation system.

The first step is to gather feedback from the people who use the system every day. Highway staff would like to hear the thoughts of residents and visitors about what is working, what isn't working and ideas to make our transportation system better.

"We hope the public rolls up their sleeves and really engages with this process. They know the roads they drive every day best. Their voice matters. Whether it's for work or play the viewpoints and ideas shared by those utilizing our system can help make this plan successful." said County Engineer Tim Bray.

Your feedback will be invaluable in shaping the future of transportation in Crow Wing County. Please consider taking a few minutes to complete our online survey. In addition, we've created an interactive mapping tool that allows you to zoom in on specific areas of Crow Wing County and leave comments directly on the map.

[crowwing.gov/Long-Range-Transportation-Plan](https://crowwing.gov/Long-Range-Transportation-Plan)

[Long-Range Transportation Plan Survey](#)

**Our Vision:** Being Minnesota's favorite place.

**Our Mission:** Serve well. Deliver value. Drive results.

**Our Values:** Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

[Place detailed comments in the map](#)

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the Crow Wing County Highway Department at 218-824-1110 or [highwayinfo@crowwing.gov](mailto:highwayinfo@crowwing.gov)

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