

*Via Email Only*

September 13, 2022

The Honorable Frank Hornstein, Chair  
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee  
545 State Office Building  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Scott Newman, Chair  
Senate Transportation Finance & Policy Committee  
3105 Minnesota Senate Building  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable John Petersburg, GOP Lead  
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee  
217 State Office Building  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Scott Dibble  
Ranking Minority Member  
Senate Transportation Finance & Policy Committee  
2213 Minnesota Senate Building  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: I-90 Unbonded Overlay from Hwy 169 to Hwy 22: Design-Build Delivery

Dear Legislators:

[Minnesota Statutes 161.3412, subdivision 3\(b\)](#) requires the Commissioner of Transportation to notify the chairs of the Senate and House of Representatives committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and transportation finance each time the commissioner decides to use the Design-Build method for procurement and explain why the method was chosen.

MnDOT has decided to use the Design-Build delivery method to design and construct the I-90 unbonded overlay between Highways 169 and 22 in District 7. The project consists of roughly \$80 million in concrete paving (unbonded overlay). The project is planned for letting in October 2022. Construction will occur in 2023-24.

Design-Build was identified as the appropriate delivery system for the project due to its large size and the need to develop the project quickly in relation to funding constraints.

Please feel free to call the following programmatic and/or project contacts if you have questions:

Design-Build Program Manager:  
Assistant District 7 Engineer:

[Peter Davich](#), 651-366-4233  
[Zak Tess](#), 507-317-8168

Sincerely,

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Deputy Commissioner/Chief Engineer