

January 8, 2026

The Honorable Erin Koegel, Co-Chair
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
5th Floor, Centennial Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Jon Koznick, Co-Chair
House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee
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The Honorable Scott Dibble, Chair
Senate Transportation Committee
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Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable John Jasinski
Ranking Minority Member
Senate Transportation Committee
2227 Minnesota Senate Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: Minnesota Department of Transportation's Rulemaking Docket and Official Rulemaking Record Submission

Dear Legislators:

This letter provides the annual submittal required by Minnesota Statutes, [section 14.116\(a\)](#), which states:

By January 15 each year, each agency must submit its rulemaking docket maintained under section 14.366, and the official rulemaking record required under section 14.365 for any rule adopted during the preceding calendar year, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative policy and budget committees with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proposed rule.

Rulemaking Docket

A copy of the current rulemaking docket is provided with this letter. The docket can also be found at:
<https://www.dot.state.mn.us/rules/rulemaking-docket.html>.

Rules Adopted in 2025

The Department completed three rulemakings in 2025.

First, the Department updated the incorporation by reference to the *Minnesota Vehicle Requirements for Special Transportation Services and Limousines* in M.R. 8840.5700 using the Good Cause Exempt Rulemaking procedures. The document itself has not changed since its original adoption in August 2023, just the link to access it.

Second, the Department updated the airport zoning standards in Chapter 8800. The amendments:

- aligned the rules with changes to Minn. Stat. Ch. 360;
- clarified and made minor modifications to the size shape, and land use restrictions of the commissioner's standard for airport zoning ordinances;
- replaced obsolete language regarding existing residential neighborhoods with new language protecting existing land uses provided in statute; and
- added new language regarding clear zone requirements.

Finally, the Department updated the rules governing for-hire limousine services and limousine permit requirements in Chapter 8880. The amendments addressed changes to the industry and the authorizing statute that occurred since the Department last amended the rules in 1994. Additionally, the amendments are intended to ensure the safety of passengers, clarify requirements, and ensure consistency with other commercial vehicle programs administered by the Department.

All agency rulemaking documents can be found on the Revisor's website at <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/status>.

Please feel free to contact me at (651) 366-4029 if you have any questions or would like paper copies of any MnDOT rulemaking documents.

Yours very truly,

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Rulemaking Docket

In accordance with [Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.366](#), MnDOT is required to maintain this public rulemaking docket, which lists all pending rulemaking proceedings.

Pending Rulemakings

Aeronautics; Chapter 8800

- **MnDOT contact:** Rylan Juran, MnDOT Office of Aeronautics, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155. Rylan.Juran@state.mn.us, 651-234-7190.
- **Revisor No.:** R-04654
- **Current Status / Timetable:** MnDOT published the initial Request for Comments in December 2025 and solicited input from interested stakeholders. MnDOT plans to publish a Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules in 2026 or 2027.
- **Published Notices (SR cite):**
 - Request for Comments, 50 SR 667 (12/29/2025)
- **Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time:** The comment period formally opened when the Request for Comments was published and will remain open until further notice. A new comment period will begin upon publication of the Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules.
- **Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection):** N/A
- **Date of Rule Adoption:** TBD
- **Date Filed with SOS:** TBD
- **Effective Date of Rule:** TBD

Recently Completed Rulemakings

Limousine Service, Permit Requirements; Chapter 8880

- **MnDOT contact:** Laura Roads, 395 John Ireland Blvd., MS 420, St. Paul, MN 55155. Laura.Roads@state.mn.us, 651-366-3647.
- **Revisor No.:** R-04594
- **Current Status / Timetable:** MnDOT published a Notice of Adoption in the December 15, 2025, *State Register*.
- **Published Notices (SR cite):**
 - Request for Comments, 44 SR 1479 (06/08/2020)
 - Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, 49 SR 1333 (6/9/2025)
 - Notice of Adoption, 50 SR 570 (12/15/2025)

- **Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time:** A 30-day comment period began on June 9, 2025, and ended on July 9, 2025.
- **Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection):** No hearing was held because the Department did not receive 25 or more requests for a hearing.
- **Date of Rule Adoption:** November 18, 2025
- **Date Filed with SOS:** November 25, 2025
- **Effective Date of Rule:** December 22, 2025

Airport Zoning; Chapter 8800

- **MnDOT contact:** Rylan Juran, MnDOT Office of Aeronautics, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155. Rylan.Juran@state.mn.us, 651-234-7190.
- **Revisor No.:** R-04655
- **Current Status / Timetable:** MnDOT published a Notice of Adoption in the June 9, 2025, *State Register*.
- **Published Notices (SR cite):**
 - Request for Comments, 46 SR 566 (10/25/2021)
 - Dual Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, 49 SR 728 (12/30/2024)
 - Notice of Adoption, 49 SR 1348 (6/9/2025)
- **Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time:** A 30-day comment period began on December 30, 2024, and ended on January 29, 2025.
- **Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection):** No hearing was held because the Department did not receive 25 or more requests for a hearing.
- **Date of Rule Adoption:** May 14, 2025
- **Date Filed with SOS:** May 22, 2025
- **Effective Date of Rule:** June 16, 2025

Minnesota Vehicle Requirements for Special Transportation Services and Limousines

- **MnDOT contact:** Laura Roads, 395 John Ireland Blvd., MS 420, St. Paul, MN 55155. Laura.Roads@state.mn.us, 651-366-3647.
- **Revisor No.:** R-04516
- **Current Status / Timetable:** MnDOT published a Notice of Adoption in the June 9, 2025, *State Register*.
- **Published Notices (SR cite):**
 - Notice of Adoption, 49 SR 1349 (6/6/2025)
- **Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time:** The Department provided a *Notice of Submission of Rules Proposed for Adoption Without a Public Hearing to the Office of Administrative Hearings* to all persons who have registered their name with the Department under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.14, subdivision 1a. Interested parties had until May 5, 2025, to provide comment. No comments were received.
- **Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection):** N/A
- **Date of Rule Adoption:** May 13, 2025
- **Date Filed with SOS:** May 16, 2025
- **Effective Date of Rule:** June 9, 2025