

## Welcome to the Open House!

### Purpose

The Twin Lakes Road (CSAH 13) Corridor Study will be used as the framework for guiding Sherburne County and the City of Elk River as they address issues, respond to development, and make improvements along the corridor. This study will identify current and future conditions, develop technically sound solutions to proactively address issues, and recommend projects to implement solutions in a fiscally responsible manner.

### Study Goals

#### GROWTH

- Examine the impacts and develop an understanding of how local and regional growth and area land use will affect the corridor

#### PROCESS

- Collaborate plan and recommendation development between Sherburne County, the City of Elk River, and the local community
- Provide an engaging and transparent process which seeks out and incorporates input and feedback from the community

#### SAFETY

- Analyze crash data and develop appropriate improvement recommendations
- Provide recommendations for pedestrian/bicycle facility improvements

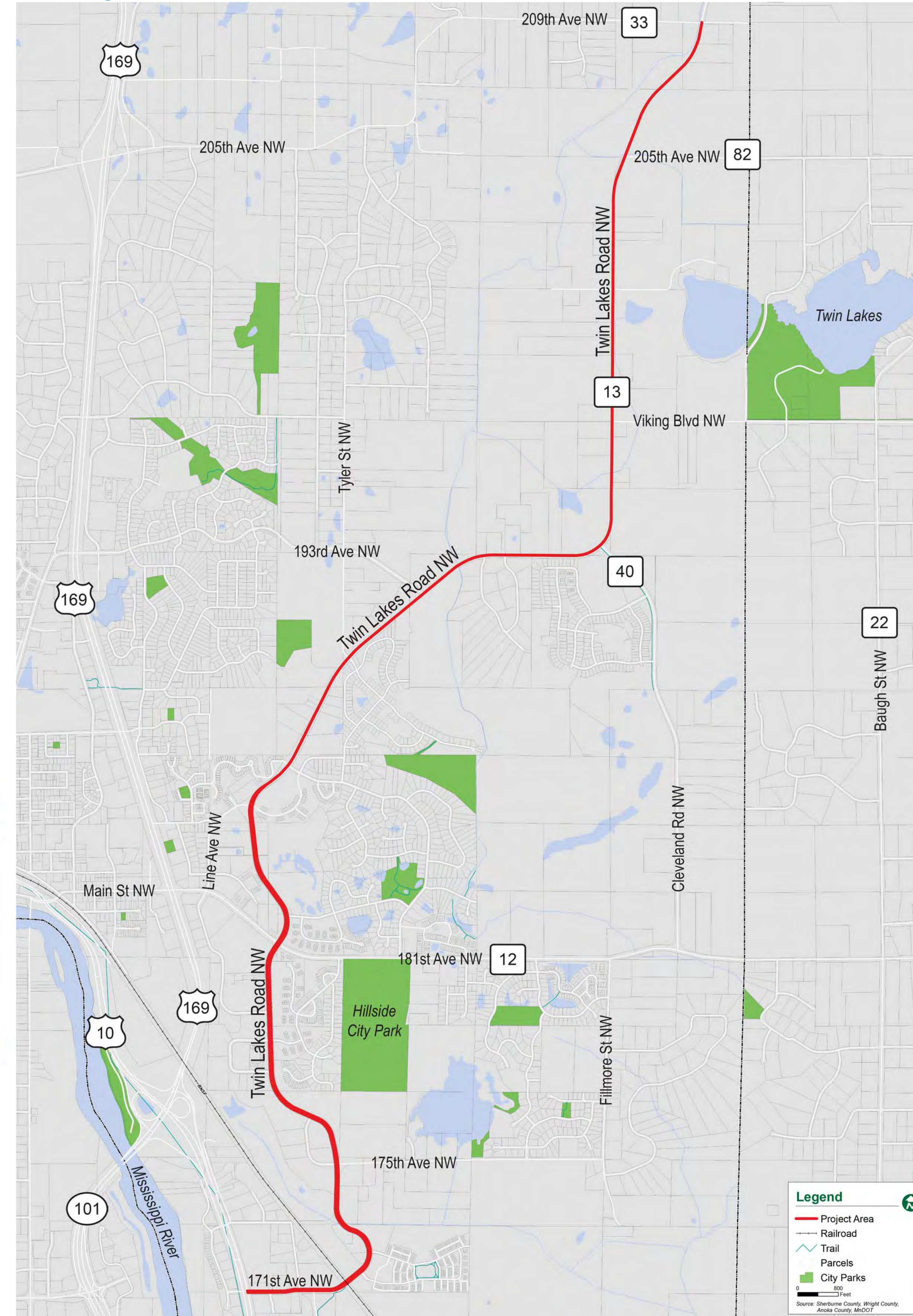
#### FUNDING

- Identify funding opportunities that align with corridor goals to develop projects that will best leverage county and city resources

### Timeline



### Study Extents



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## Why is this important?

### What is a Corridor Study?

A Corridor Study is a guiding document for a section of roadway outlining a series of transportation improvements. This is not one specific project, but rather a document to establish a larger vision for the corridor and a series of improvements to be made over time. Identified improvements can be implemented as funding becomes available or as growth dictates.

A Corridor Study uses a combination of quantitative and qualitative data including:

#### QUANTITATIVE

- Traffic volumes
- Turning Movements
- Crash History
- Population Growth
- Adjacent Land use
- Driveways/Connecting Streets

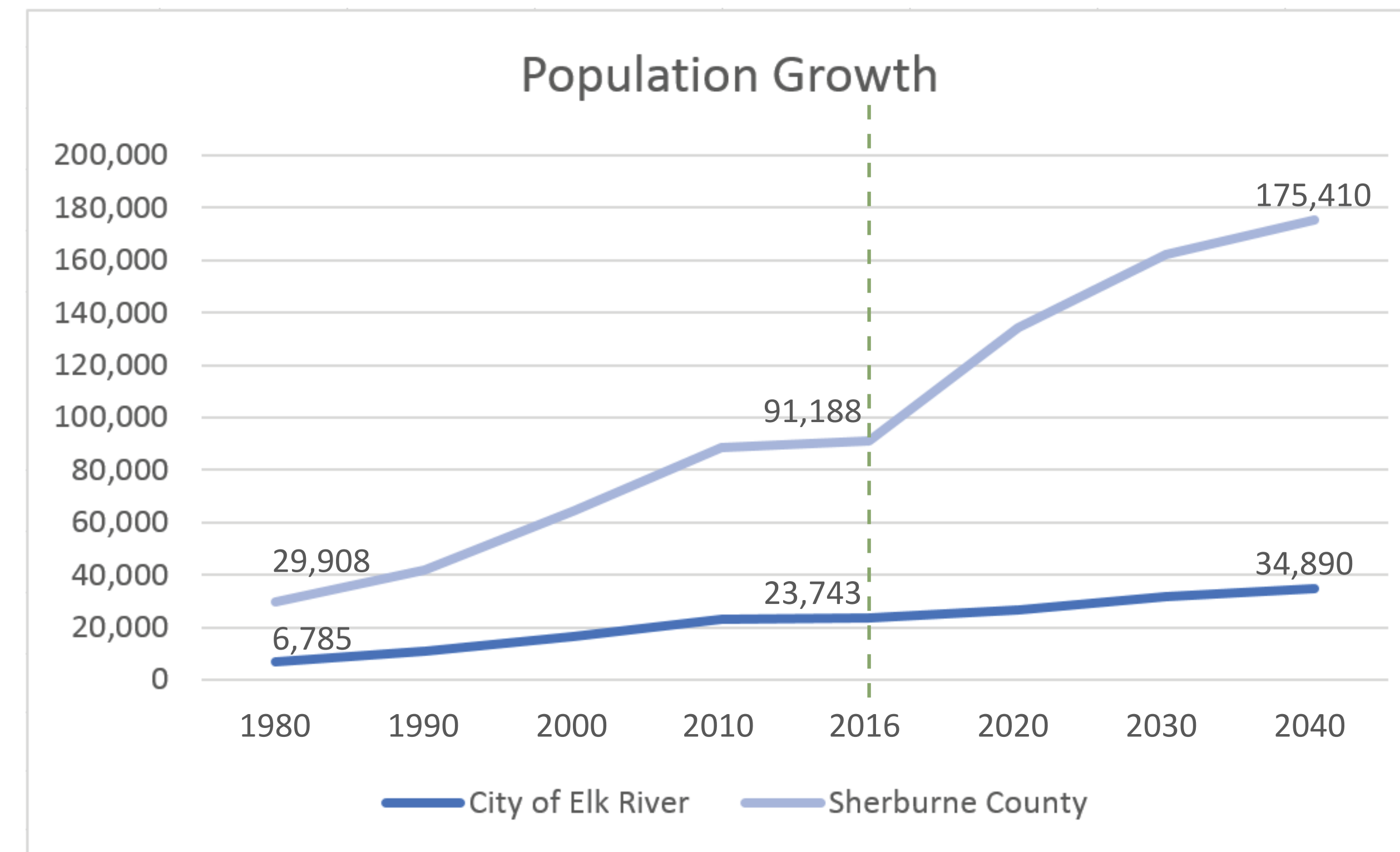
#### QUALITATIVE

- User Experience
- Community needs/desires
- Established Corridor Vision
- Development Potential

This data can then be used to develop evaluation criteria to compare possible solutions to issues along the corridor. Recommended alternatives can then be determined.

## Expected Growth in Elk River and Sherburne County

Twin Lakes Road (CSAH 13) serves as a vital transportation link supporting economic and social well-being locally, in Elk River, and for the region. Regional traffic growth, improvements on Highways 10 & 169 in Anoka and Ramsey, residential growth, and continued commercial and industrial development will all put traffic pressure on this corridor.



#### 2016 CITY OF ELK RIVER POPULATION: 23,743

The number of people living in Elk River is anticipated to grow at a fairly consistent rate until 2040.

#### 2016 SHERBURNE COUNTY POPULATION: 91,188

Sherburne County is projected to see notable population growth through 2030 with more modest growth anticipated between 2030 and 2040.

Source: Elk River Comprehensive Plan, 2014; American Community Survey, 2012-2016 Estimates



## Corridors of Commerce - What is it and how will it affect this Study?

### Project Application Summary

**What:** Convert Highway 169 from the existing at-grade expressway facility to a limited access grade-separated freeway facility - A system of interchanges, overpasses, and frontage/backage roads will replace existing at-grade intersections.

**Where:** Extends between Highway 10 and 197th Avenue in Elk River.

**Why:** The project will improve mobility of the Highway 169 corridor through the removal of five signalized intersections and improve safety at these locations.

**When:** Construction planned to begin in 2021.

Governor Dayton and the Minnesota Legislature created the Corridors of Commerce program in 2013 to invest in projects that support commerce in the state, but that are not already considered in the state's transportation investment plan.

### Project Impact to Corridor Study

Study to guide improvements on CSAH 13/Twin Lakes Road towards its dual role for near and long term functions. **Emphasis will be placed on long-term function of supporting local trips and providing access to TH 169 for regional trips.**

- Near-term – serve as a reliever to TH 169 as congestion continues to occur and during construction on highway 169.
- Long-term – with the conversion of TH 169 to a freeway, Twin Lakes Road will continue to serve the transportation system by helping to align trips with functional classification (i.e. local trips on the local system and regional trips on TH 169)