Statewide Pedestrian System Plan





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Agenda

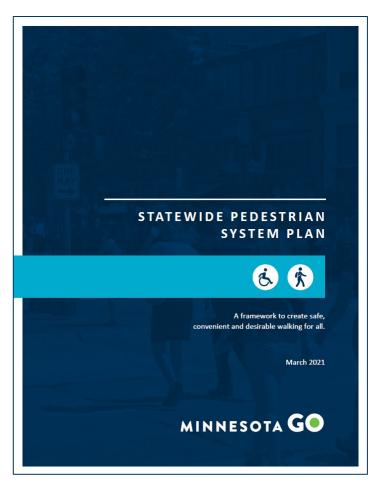
- Statewide Pedestrian System Plan Overview
- How does the Ped Plan interact with MnDOT's ADA work?
- What are we doing in implementation?

MnDOT uses the term 'walking' to include all the ways that people move themselves through the world, including with mobility devices such as walkers, strollers, and wheelchairs.



Plan Timeline and History

- Work on the plan began in February 2019
- The plan was adopted in May 2021
- This is MnDOT's first plan for walking on the state system





Engagement with the Disability Community

Phase 1

- Held events in partnership with SMILES (Mankato + Fairmont) and the Courage Kenny Institute.
- People with disabilities made up 17% of survey responses, compared to 11% of the statewide population*

Phase 2

- All engagement held virtually
- People with disabilities made up 12% of survey responses, compared to 11% of the statewide population.



^{*11%} reported in the American Community Survey

What does the plan cover?

- Sets goals, establishes action items, and adopts performance measures for walking.
- Creates a data-driven prioritization tool to identify areas for walking improvements
- Establishes guidance for internal MnDOT process improvements to support walking





How does the Ped Plan relate to ADA?

ADA Transition Plan

- Identifies investments needed to bring the MnDOT system into compliance
- Largely focused on meeting the requirements of law

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- Identifies public expectations for walking infrastructure
- Prioritizes investment based on community need
- Focuses on system and network connectivity ("little-A accessibility)



How is MnDOT implementing the plan?

Three Implementation Activities

- Planning for high-priority safety improvements
- Climate mitigation for pedestrians
- Pedestrian and Bicycle
 Maintenance Planning Metro
 District Pilot





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