

# North Shore Bridges replacements

## County Road 51 in Orono

Hennepin County, in coordination with the City of Orono and Metropolitan Council, is planning to replace two bridges carrying North Shore Drive (County Road 51) over the Hendrickson and Noerenberg channels. Many refer them separately as the Hendrickson Bridge and Noerenberg Bridge.

### Project coming in 2022

We anticipate replacement work to begin as early as spring 2022, and take up to five months to complete. We will provide updates as we get closer to construction.

Prior to the replacement work, Metropolitan Council will be replacing their nearby underground utility line. Their work will require partial and full closures on North Shore Drive.

### New bridges will require less maintenance

The new bridges will have the same dimensions and look to help preserve existing space for adjacent properties and the natural features along the channels.

When complete, the new bridges will reduce the need for frequent maintenance activities in the future and meet today's and future travel needs.

### Plan ahead for detour

We will close and replace both bridges at the same time. Closing both bridges will allow our crews to complete all construction work and limit closures to just one construction season.

During the closure, people using North Shore Drive will need to use the detour taking:

- Shoreline Drive (County Road 15)
- Shadywood Road (County Road 19)

A map of the detour is shown on the next page.

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