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Re: St. Louis County Railroad Crossing Safety Plan - Township Workshop Meeting

Dear, Mr. Mayry,

St. Louis County is currently developing its first Railroad Crossing Safety Plan (RCSP). The RCSP is focused on railroad crossings on county roads only. There are 122 railroad crossings on the county road system in St. Louis County. As you know, St. Louis County continues to experience serious crashes, including fatalities, at these railroad crossings and the RCSP will be a valuable tool to help reduce the risk of future crashes involving vehicles and trains.

The purpose of the RCSP is to identify and prioritize railroad crossing safety projects that focus on removing conflicts between vehicles and trains, while also providing St. Louis County an advantage for securing state and federal funding to implement these railroad crossing safety projects. The RCSP focuses on opportunities to permanently close railroad crossings and construct bridge overpasses over railroads.

The RCSP has identified proposed railroad crossing safety projects on county roads within your township. The printed project maps and project list is enclosed for your review. Prior to finalizing the RCSP, St. Louis County desires to receive input from your township by participating in this workshop meeting. The workshop will provide an opportunity for township representatives to learn about the RCSP and review proposed railroad crossing safety projects within your township. Your participation is critical because your input is needed to ensure the RCSP represents the needs and concerns of the local community.

-Turn Over-

The township workshop will be held on Tuesday, October 24 at the Cotton Town Hall (9087 Hwy 53). The workshop will begin at 6:00 pm with a formal presentation followed by time for questions/answers and an opportunity to review/comment on the proposed railroad crossing safety projects.

Please make every effort to have at least one representative from your township attend this workshop meeting. If you are unable to attend in-person, a virtual meeting link is included below and in the email in which this letter was attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions at 218-625-3873 or lundv@stlouiscountymn.gov.

Sincerely,

Victor Lund, P.E., PTOE

St. Louis County Traffic Engineer

Virtual Meeting Link:

Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 266 818 559 727

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