

# Q4 Talking Points



2023 funding was great and funded a lot of infrastructure projects

There is still a backlog of infrastructure needs across the state.

Infrastructure is roads, parks, schools, water and wastewater, energy, and more.

Infrastructure investment signals commitment to a baseline quality of life for all Minnesotans

Inflation is eating away at infrastructure dollars.

Infrastructure needs include capital investments, and operations and maintenance costs.

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# New MN Infrastructure Alliance website

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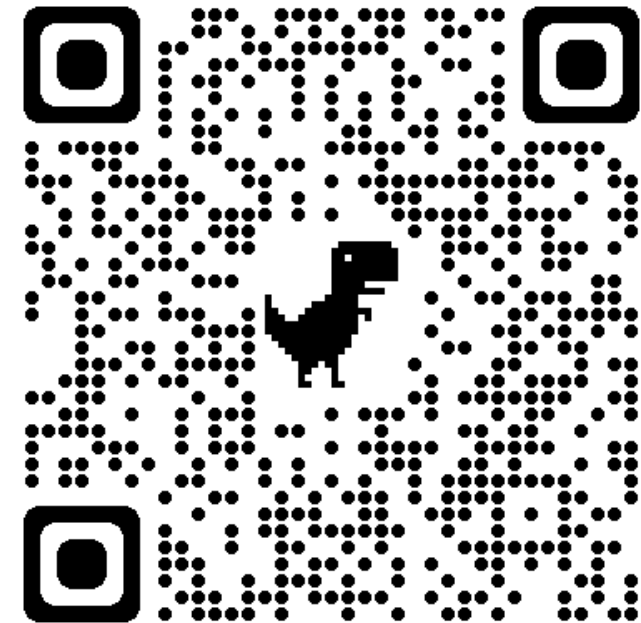
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Infrastructure in Minnesota includes the fundamental facilities and systems necessary for our economy to function. Our quality of life depends on infrastructure in a good state of repair, which requires long-term sustainable funding.

Roads, bridges, transit systems, public parks, airports, water and sewer systems, dams, ports, and the energy grid are categories of infrastructure that directly affect our ability to live, work, and play. [Click here to view our infrastructure grades.](#)

<b>Who we are:</b> Minnesota Infrastructure Alliance is a coalition of professional organizations striving to provide and maintain safe and sustainable infrastructure across Minnesota.	<b>Our Mission:</b> To increase awareness of infrastructure and infrastructure needs and articulate a convincing case for increased investment in Minnesota infrastructure through a coordinated voice and communication of unified, comprehensive needs.	<b>Three Main Goals:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increase Public Awareness</li><li>• Enhance Professional Collaboration</li><li>• Educate and Engage Policy Makers</li></ul>
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Our Ask: please use this website to explain our group to others and coordinate on events.



# Raise our Grade website

**RAISE <sup>OUR</sup> GRADE,  
MINNESOTA**

A SHARED COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

Our Ask: please share this at every conference so attendees can contact legislators with support of infrastructure.



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## WHAT IS PUBLIC WORKS?

The United States has approximately 19,400 municipalities of varying sizes. In each community, whatever its size, there are needs common to all human beings that must be met through the provision of public works services. These needs are met on a daily basis by visionary, values-driven, and hardworking men and women who provide and sustain public works services in the best interests of their communities.



## LAWS IMPACTING PUBLIC WORKS

Stafford Act

FAST Act  
(Highway Bill)

National  
Environmental  
Policy Act

Clean Water Act

Safe Drinking  
Water Act

Endangered  
Species Act

Water Resources  
Development Act

PIPES Act

