

Open House 2 Public Engagement Summary

FEBRUARY 3, 2026



WHY CAN'T WE KEEP THE EXISTING ALIGNMENT?



The curves along County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 do not meet today's standards, and the pavement is due for repair. Safety is also a concern with the current curves – all crashes in the last 5 years have been single vehicles leaving the roadway at or near the curves. In order to use Minnesota State Aid funding to pay for the pavement repairs, the curves must be realigned to improve safety and meet standards for the roadway speed.

QUESTIONS AND CONVERSATIONS

Question/Comment	Answer
Location specific access concerns.	The Layout shows the County's preferred access revisions but understands there needs to be coordination/collaboration with the township and landowners to solidify.
Lack of support for access closures near Simpson.	The Layout shows the County's preferred access revisions but understands there needs to be coordination/collaboration with the township and landowners to solidify.
Farmers north of the project area raised concerns about southbound access requiring travel through the roundabout.	Project staff acknowledged the concern and will consider local access needs as design progresses.
Participants expressed general support for reconstructing the roadway and adding wider shoulders.	Project staff explained that reconstruction would result in a longer-lasting roadway that requires minimal maintenance for many years.
Why is the treatment basin so large off the new township roadway by Gamehaven?	We are showing worst case/most conservative areas for stormwater treatment/design currently. We are using dry basins to help control rates of water leaving project area. These will be refined as we advance design.

