

## Bottineau Transitway Update, August 2013

### **-Bottineau Transitway DEIS**

We are working toward submission of the Bottineau Transitway Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) legal review and cooperating federal agency review in September 2013.

### **Land Use Planning**

Station area pre-planning work has been amended to include the full complement of LRT stations associated with the locally preferred alternative. The full report document is posted on the Bottineau Transitway website:

[http://bottransit.org/land\\_planning\\_framework.htm](http://bottransit.org/land_planning_framework.htm)

Two station area planning roundtable events were held in August 2013 with over 100 participants attending the two events combined. These roundtable events covered the two Golden Valley station alternatives (Golden Valley Road and Plymouth Avenue) and the two Minneapolis stations along Olson Highway (Van White Boulevard and Penn Avenue). Input from these roundtable events will be combined with input from online surveys to provide valuable information for the Golden Valley and Minneapolis station area planning processes which will be underway by the end of 2013.

### **Health Initiatives**

The draft HIA is available for public review from July 15-September 15, 2013. It will then undergo final revision. It is anticipated that the HIA will be completed in December and approved by the County Board early in 2014.

Health equity considerations play a crucial role in ensuring the Bottineau station areas support populations with higher risks for poor health including low-income and minority populations. Community engagement, with a focus on health equity in communities along the corridor, is the next step in the integration of health and station area planning for the Bottineau Transitway. Hennepin County and Nexus Community Partners will engage communities along the Bottineau Transitway in tandem with station area planning and coordinate with the consultants chosen to carry out station area planning.

### **Upcoming Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting**

**Thursday, September 26, 2013, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.,** Crystal City Hall Community Room  
Crystal City Hall, 4141 Douglas Drive N, Crystal, MN 55422

### **Bottineau Videos**

Below are direct youtube links to the Bottineau promotional and flyover simulation videos. These videos are also posted on the project website.

Promotional video:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oN\\_bo8ueH5k](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oN_bo8ueH5k)

Flyover simulation video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y63z74v2dbA&feature=youtu.be>