



I-494: Airport to 169

Corridors of Commerce Project Limit
Study Area

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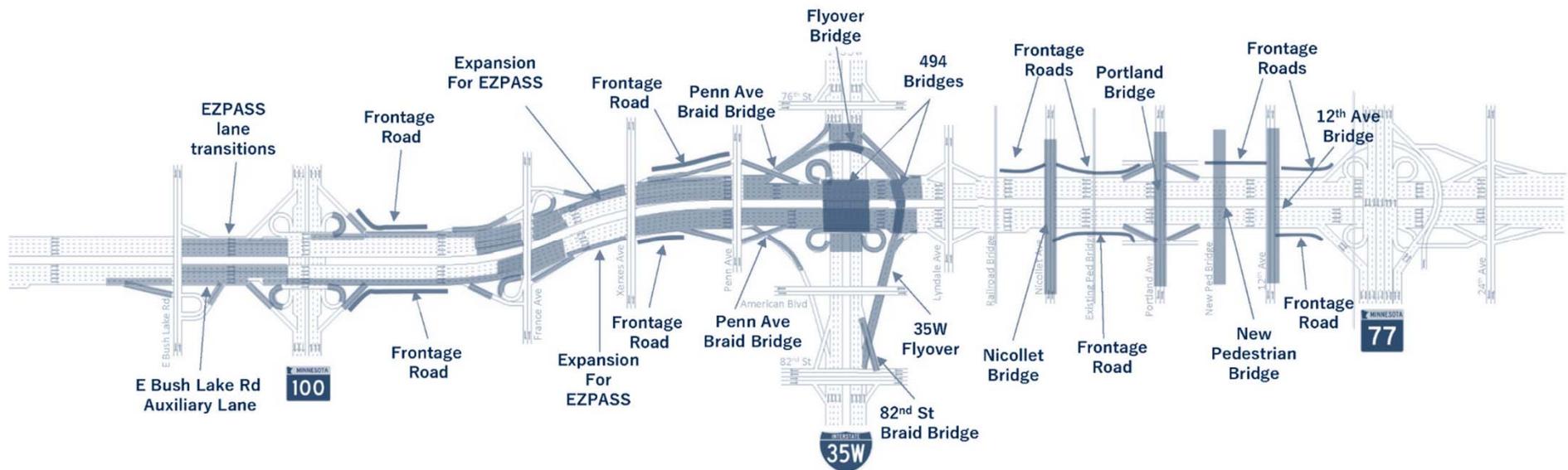


I-494 Airport to Hwy 169

I-35W Solutions Alliance
March 12, 2026

I-494 Airport to Hwy 169 Project 1

- Total project cost \$377 million
- E-ZPass in both directions between East Bush Lake Road and I-35W
- Reconstruct I-494/I-35W interchange to turbine design
- Reconfigure access at Nicollet, Portland, and 12th Avenues



Mainline Construction Progress in 2025

- Placed 494 WB mainline concrete pavement
- Completed major utility work on W 78th St near Computer Ave in Bloomington
- Rehabbed France Ave bridge and reconstructed northern ramps
- Opened the braid bridges at Penn Ave and 494
- Built/rebuilt 3 ramps at I35W and I494 Interchange
- Completed concrete pavement work on E 77th St in Richfield
- Reconstructed Portland Ave from E 77th St to American Blvd
- Completed large barrier and moment slab system E of TH 100 between 494 and American Blvd
- Reconstructed E 78th St south side between Portland Ave and 12th Ave S

Structures Construction Progress in 2025

- Constructed 16 walls
- Completed 3 bridges started prior to 2025
- Completed 6 additional bridges started in 2025

Anticipated Construction in 2026

- Complete any remaining mainline work
- Replace Nicollet Ave and 12th Ave bridge over I494
- Complete installation of E-Zpass system infrastructure

Mainline Concrete Paving



3/9/2026

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Conduit Installation



Portland Ave N Abutment Construction



Retaining Wall Construction



I494 & I35W NW Quadrant



East of Hwy 100 Looking East



Penn Ave Looking East



82nd Ave Looking North



Portland Ave Looking East



Public Information

- Public Information Hotline

- info@i494Construction.com
- 651-583-6435

- Visit the project websites

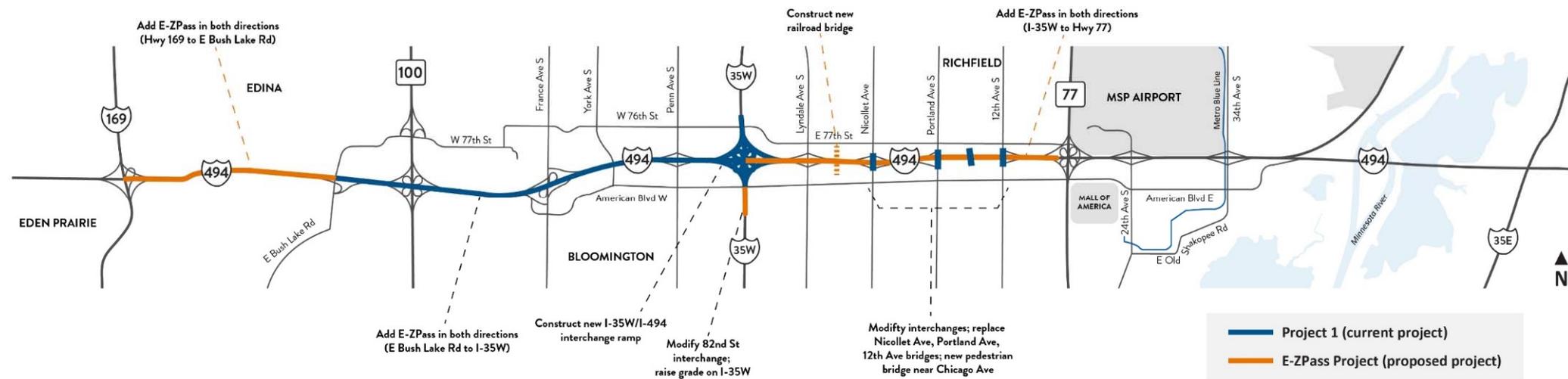
<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/i494-airport-hwy169/> (study)

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/i494edina-richfield/index.html>
(construction)

I-494 Airport to Hwy 169 Project 2

Project 2 Scope

- Phase 2 (orange, proposed project)
- Total project cost estimate \$331.5 million



Project 2 Construction

- Add E-ZPass lanes in both directions on I-494 from I-35W to Hwy 77
- Add E-ZPass lanes in both directions on I-494 from Hwy 169 to Hwy 100
- Reconstruct interchanges and replace bridges at 82nd St., I-35W, and Hwy 77
- Restore pavement and rehabilitate bridges along I-494
- Upgrade ramps, intersections, sidewalks, and bike/pedestrian infrastructure
- Improve drainage to reduce flooding and runoff
- Include landscaping, lighting, and community-informed design feature

Project 2 Funding Status & Schedule

- Fully funded, including \$138M MPDG INFRA award, state bonds, and state road construction dollars
- Draft schedule
 - 2024: initiated preliminary engineering and environmental review
 - 2025: work continues
 - 2026: complete municipal concept in Q1; let design-build project in Q3
 - 2027-2030: construction (sequence TBD)

Thank you!

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