
5 year road and bridge plan

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I am unable to attend today's review but I would like the commissioners and highway superintendent to consider a bridge replacement. This bridge has a very high safety risk factor, as well as a problem for local farmers and businesses. The bridge that I am referring to is on county road 4 which is 212th street the bridge is between 444th Ave and 442nd Ave it is the small bridge that crosses Lake Whitewood. I believe it is only used to equalize water between the two sides of Lake Whitewood. So the need for an actual bridge is not really necessary. So my proposal would be to remove the bridge which is very narrow and only about 12' long, with a concrete box culvert. I believe you can buy a 12' X 40' X 8' concrete box culvert for about \$70,000. The highway superintendent would be able to get you a better estimate on the removal and installation of this culvert but I would say you could do that for around \$50,000, I am sure you will need fill and paving for around \$10,000. So the whole project would be in the \$130-\$150,000 range. This would get the fishermen off the bridge and away from the road to make it much safer for them and the vehicles that pass, as well as allowing farmers and the COOP to shorten the distance to town and back saving them money as well. Thank you for your consideration on this matter and hope to see this in the 5-year plan. Wayne Soren
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