

I-90 Group

The mission of the I-90 Group is to enhance the economic growth and vitality of Southern Minnesota. Last year, this bipartisan group included House and Senate members from legislative Districts 21 to 31.

The I-90 group set the following goals for the 2006 legislative session:

- Support the request in the 2006 bonding bill for the existing bioscience corridor development, as well as additional support targeted toward agriculture-related bioscience development for southern Minnesota.
- Support bonding for bridge projects throughout Southern Minnesota.
- Establish a new 10-ton road policy whereby all roads receiving state aid must be designated as 10-ton roadways, unless otherwise posted by the county.
- Establish a new "Office of Entrepreneurial Development" within the Department of Employment and Economic Development.
- Support further alternative energy development initiatives in Southern Minnesota.
- Support the fair treatment of agricultural land as it relates to local tax levies for school capital bonding referendums.

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