

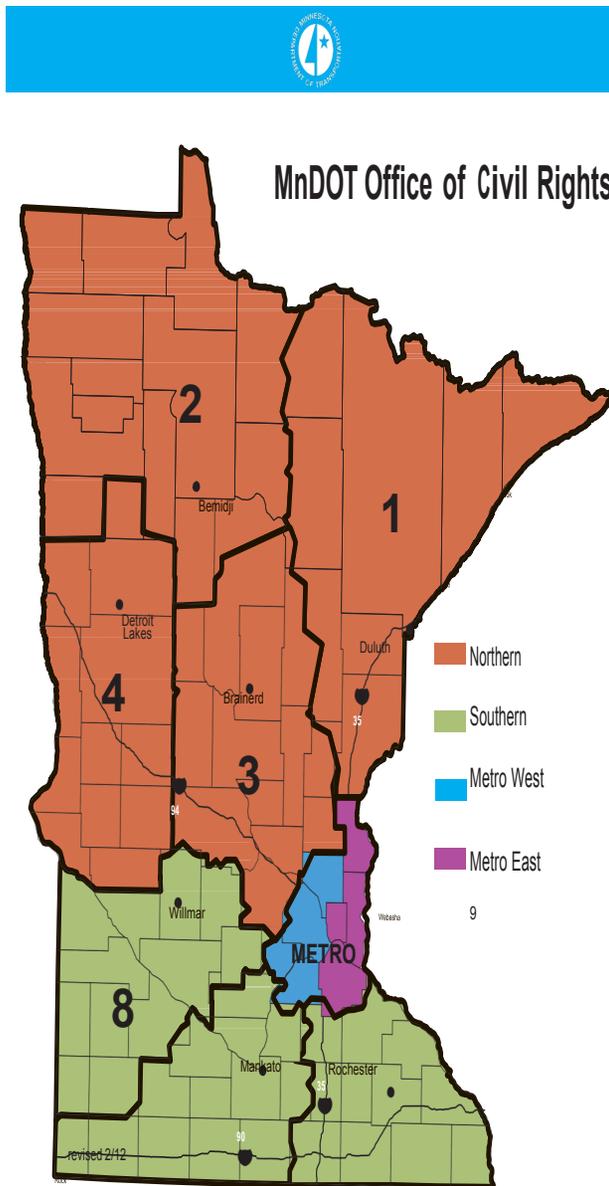
Key Work Types Needed

- ◆ Highway, Street and Bridge Construction
- ◆ Pavement Marking
- ◆ Landscaping Services
- ◆ Fencing
- ◆ Excavating
- ◆ Materials (supply)
- ◆ Trucking
- ◆ Electrical Contractors
- ◆ Plumbing/Drainage
- ◆ Carpentry
- ◆ Environmental Studies
- ◆ Planning (traffic control, signage, survey)
- ◆ Numerous other Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

For Further Information

MnDOT's Veteran Program Specialist
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MnDOT is divided into eight regional district areas:

- 7 Greater Minnesota districts
- 1 Minneapolis/St. Paul Metropolitan district

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/information/districts.html>



MnDOT's Veteran Program

MnDOT's Veterans Program for small businesses owned by eligible veterans as defined by MN Stat 197-447 allows for a 6% preference in the award of MnDOT state-funded projects

What is the Veterans Program ?

Veteran-owned small businesses are eligible for a 6% preference in the award of MnDOT state-funded projects in accordance with MN Statute 197-447. In addition, MnDOT establishes goals on every state-funded project for prime contractors to sub-contract certain amounts to veteran-owned small businesses. These sub-contracting goals vary depending on the size and location of the project, as well as the identified capacity and expertise available within the veteran community.

MnDOT's Veterans Program has been established for projects that are STATE-FUNDED ONLY. All veteran-owned small businesses that have been verified by the Veterans Administration are eligible. Legislation for federally-funded and county-funded road projects follows a different set of rules that change frequently.



MnDOT's Commitment to Veteran Contractors

MnDOT is proactively looking for veteran-owned businesses across Minnesota to help expand its veteran program. MnDOT recognizes the tremendous value brought to construction projects from veteran business owners, including:

- ◆ Expertise in utilizing advanced technology and equipment
- ◆ Unique training in leadership under challenging circumstances
- ◆ Ability to bring individual talents together towards team goals
- ◆ Skills in meeting tight deadlines within limited resources
- ◆ Flexibility to meet changing field conditions



How to Qualify as a Veteran-Owned Business

The Veteran's Administration is responsible for validating veteran-owned small businesses. The basic requirements for eligibility include:

- ◆ Company ownership of 51% or more by a US military veteran(s)
- ◆ Ongoing management of company by the designated veteran(s)
- ◆ Veteran verification by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

The veteran validation process is defined by the VA at www.vetbiz.gov. In Minnesota, the Minnesota Procurement Technical Advisory Council (MnPTAC) provides companies with veteran validation assistance.

To find out if your company may be eligible for veteran-owned status, you can contact:

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