

HIGHWAY 252/I-94 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

LOGICAL TERMINI

What are logical termini?

These termini establish the general limits for build alternatives that will be considered as part of the environmental review process.

Can logical termini change?

Logical Termini and Purpose and Need interact with one another. As review and analysis of data, transportation problems, and impacts to resources continues, there can be justification for modifying the Logical Termini based on new information that is discovered.

What are the draft logical termini for the Hwy 252 / I-94 EIS and why?

Proposed termini for the Highway 252 / I-94 project is Hwy 252 and Hwy 610 in Brooklyn Park to the north and I-94 and North 4th Street/North 3rd Street in Minneapolis to the south. The Lowry Tunnel is located on I-94 approximately 1.5 miles south of the North 4th Street/North 3rd Street entrance and exit ramps to downtown Minneapolis.

NORTH END

Hwy 252 and Hwy 610 in Brooklyn Park.

This was identified as the northern terminus because this location is at a system-to-system connection, where travel patterns can change based on origins and destinations served.

AREAS BEYOND THE TERMINI

The Lowry tunnel is one of the acknowledged bottlenecks along I-94 that will require substantial economic resources to address. Potential improvements along Highway 252 could include modifying access along the corridor, adding new crossing locations for non-motorized modes of travel, or modifying adjacent local roadways. It is proposed that an approximately 1,000-foot to 2/3-mile buffer on either side of the corridor be considered as part of the logical termini for areas east and west of the corridor and out to Humboldt Avenue, a north-south local roadway parallel to Highway 252 in Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center. This distance may need to be adjusted on a case-by-case basis but is proposed as a starting point for evaluation.

SOUTH END

I-94 and North 4th Street/North 3rd Street in Minneapolis.

The North 4th Street and North 3rd Street ramps are at the location of a major traffic generator (downtown Minneapolis) where travel patterns can change based on origins and destinations served.

