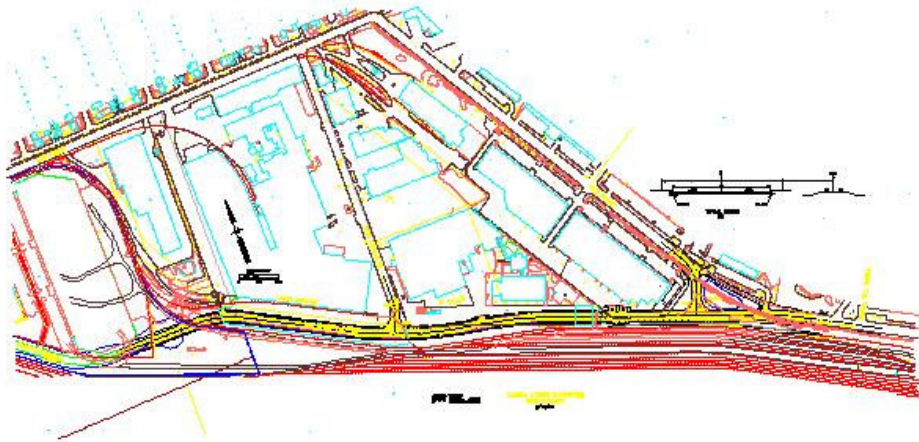


Kasota Avenue Minneapolis, MN

Progressive Consulting Engineers, Inc. (PCE) provided design services on an as-needed basis to the Minneapolis Community Development Agency (MCDA). Kasota Avenue in Minneapolis (Energy Park Drive in St. Paul) provides a heavy truck connection from several large warehouse and office warehouse areas to TH 280.

The Minneapolis Community Development Agency wanted to realign a portion of this industrial road away from the adjoining residential neighborhood to a location along an adjacent rail yard. This relocation would require demolition of an unused grain elevator, acquisition of land from the railroad and realignment of trackage for freight train make up. Access to truck docks and parking areas serving existing developments would have to be revised. An in-place ponding basin would need to be moved. Continuity of an existing bikeway (adjacent to Kasota Avenue) also needed to be incorporated into the design.

PCE responded with preliminary design concepts using MnDOT State Aid Design Standards. The selected design was refined to estimate, right-of-way needs, impacts on the rail yard, impacts on the bikeway, and changes needed to the existing office warehouse developments. The MCDA used these design concepts to budget funds for acquisition of rights-of-way, structures, railroad facilities, and for negotiation with adjacent property owners.



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