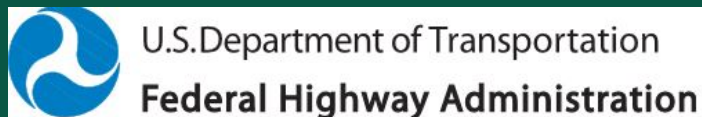


North Dakota's Bridge Health



North Dakota Local Technical Assistance Program

March 10, 2021 – TSP2 Bridge Preservation



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NORTH DAKOTA LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



Nationally,
North Dakota
Ranks 40th in
Bridge Condition

North Dakota is a leader :

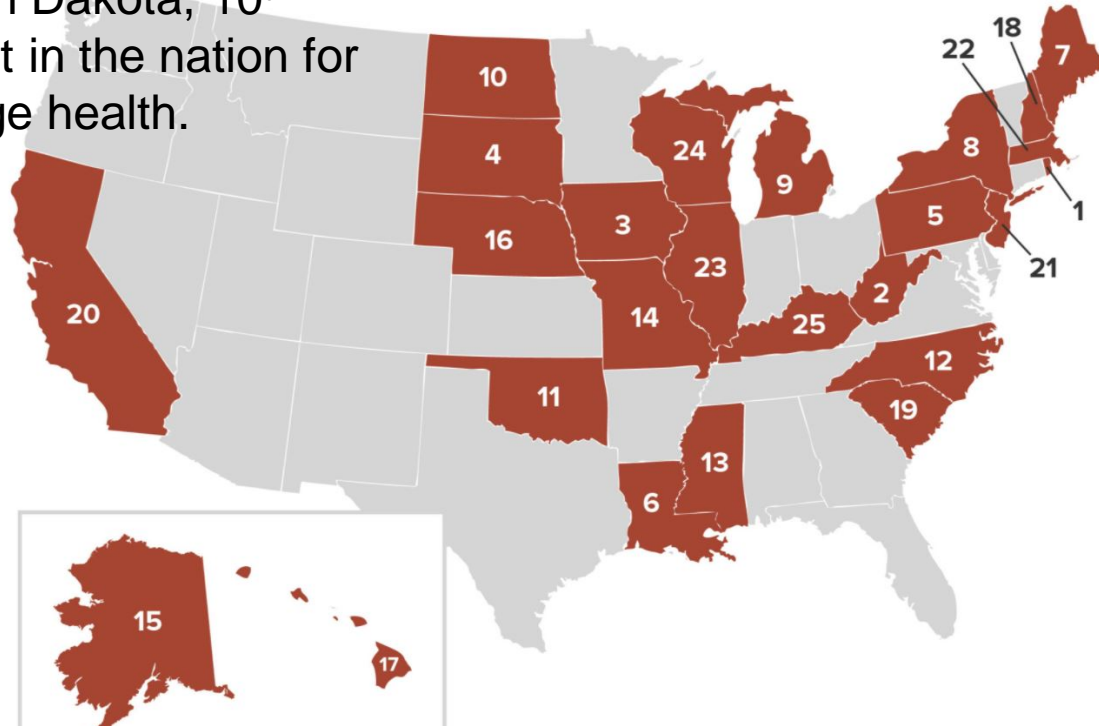
- in oil - only Texas produces more oil
- in ag - #1 in honey, wheat, barley, sunflowers.....

So, ranking near the bottom in the
nation for bridge condition is painful

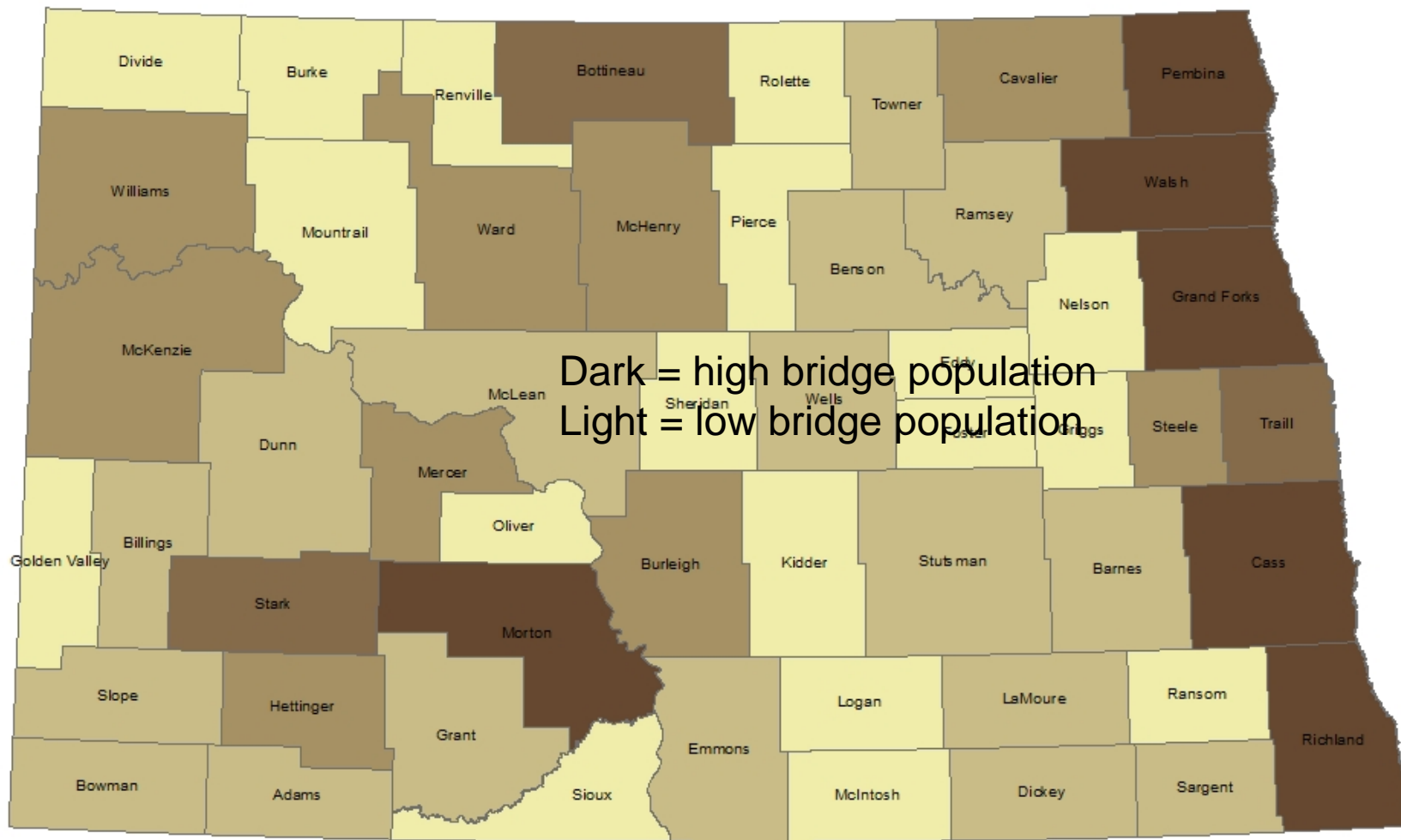
TOP 25 STATES WITH HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF POOR/STRUCTURALLY DEFICIENT RURAL BRIDGES

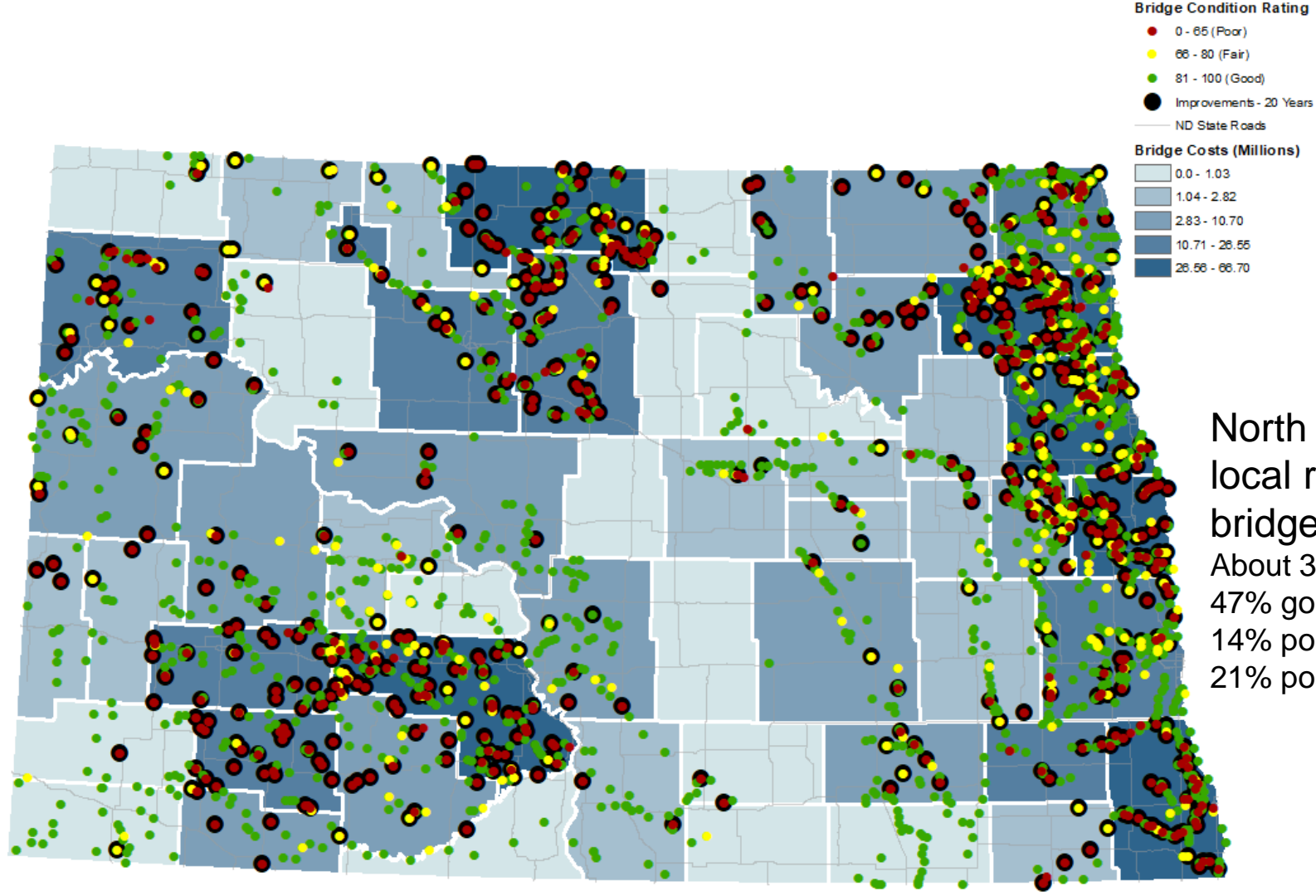


North Dakota, 10th
worst in the nation for
bridge health.











<http://infobridge.fhwa.dot.gov>

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Safety Inspection of In-Service Bridges - Pre- Season Tips and Advice

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Bridge 201

Devils Lake – June 22, 2021
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- Based in Ankeny, Iowa
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WHAT'S NEW

[Soy Transportation Coalition re-elects officers, visits ultimate destination of supply chain during annual meeting – Press Release](#)

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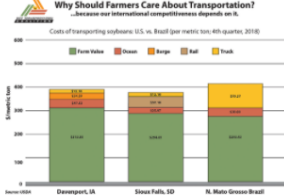
[A Localized Supply Chain in a Global Marketplace: Soybean Farmers Explore Innovative Option for Containerized Shipping on Inland Waterways – Press Release](#)

- [Containerized Shipping on Inland Waterways – Full Report Addendum](#)

TRANSPORTATION:
Our International competitiveness depends on it

Why Should Farmers Care About Transportation?
— Measure and International competitiveness depends on it.

Costs of transporting soybeans: U.S. vs. Brazil (per metric ton, 4th quarter, 2010)



Origin	Destination	River Barge	Ocean	Rail	Truck
Domesticport, IA	to Shanghai	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
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FARM TO MARKET:
A Soybean's Journey

- [Flowchart](#)
- [Summary](#)
- [Full Report](#)
- [Key Findings](#)
- [State Profile](#)

RAILROAD REPORT CARD

- [Press Release](#)
- [Railroad Report Card Results](#)

Reasons for this study

- US Rural Roads & Bridges - \$211 B backlog
- Reduce the number of bridges with load limits
- Provide options for rehab and reconstruction

Goals

- Highlight current concepts that work
- ‘Top 20 List’ of design and repair concepts
- Encourage innovative solutions

Bridge Brainstorming Team

Study group members:

- Brian Keierleber, Buchanan, Co. – Iowa
- Pat Conner – Indiana LTAP, Purdue Univ.
- Kelly Bengtson – NDSU UGPTI/NDLTAP
- Andrew Peterson - SDLTAP



NEWS RELEASE

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Iowa Soybean Farmers Partner with Bridge Engineers to Enhance Rural Bridge Evaluation and Management

Ankeny, Iowa – Iowa farmers depend upon rural bridges to efficiently deliver their soybeans or other commodities to the local elevator or processing facility. The structural integrity of this infrastructure is essential to farmer profitability. Unfortunately, a significant number of rural bridges in Iowa are load restricted, requiring vehicles transporting

The bridge innovations report

Railroad Flat Car Bridges

Railroad flatcars can be an attractive option for bridge superstructures—particularly for lower volume roads. Railroad flatcar bridges are quick and easy to install; can be placed on existing abutments; are available in a variety of lengths; require minimal maintenance; and are very economical. The availability of retired railroad flat cars can fluctuate and should be considered. Railroad flatcars utilized for bridges should be designed to accommodate 80 or more tons per car. Railroad flatcar bridges do not require more frequent inspection.

Cost Savings: 50% – 60%

COST PER BRIDGE:

\$120,000
vs. \$275,000 – \$350,000 (prevailing method)

APPLICABLE:

Low volume roads
throughout rural America

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY:

Can support loads far in
excess of legal loads

CONSTRUCTION TIME:

15% – 25% faster

TIME TO CONSTRUCT:

6 weeks
vs. 7 – 8 weeks (prevailing method)

Railroad Flatcars

(picture Brian Kierleber)



Research sources: Iowa State University Bridge Engineering Center;
<https://dec.iastate.edu/research/completed/field-testing-of-railroad-flatcar-bridges-tr-488/>



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Innovations in construction

Vibratory H-Piling Drivers

Vibratory pile driving is an alternative pile installation method in which a vibrator hammer grabs a pile and inserts it into the ground by vertical vibration. The vibrator hammer is attached to a hydraulic excavator. The prevailing method of utilizing a crane to drive piling is not necessary. In contrast to the traditional method of impact pile driving, vibratory pile driving produces less noise and damage to the pile. Perhaps most consequentially, vibratory pile driving can result in significantly faster penetration. Vibratory pile driving has been successfully used in most types of soils, including sands and clays. Worker safety is enhanced by no longer needing to climb the leads as required in traditional pile driving. Adapting a drop hammer to the hydraulic excavator alleviates any concerns with achieving complete load bearing.

Cost Savings: 90%

COST PER BRIDGE:

(to drive 10 piling, e.g.) \$2,000
vs. \$25,000 – \$40,000 (prevailing method)

APPLICABLE:

Most types of soils,
including sands and clays

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY:

Equal to prevailing method

CONSTRUCTION TIME:

50% faster

TIME TO CONSTRUCT:

(to drive 10 piling, e.g.) 4 – 6 hours
vs. two days (prevailing method)

Research source(s): Hindawi Journals:
<https://www.hindawi.com/journals/ise/2017/736955/#abstract>



Vibratory H-Piling Drivers

Cost Savings: 90%

Cost per bridge (to drive 10 piling, e.g.): \$2,000 vs. \$25,000 – \$40,000
(prevailing method)

Applicable: Most types of soils, including sands and clays

Structural Integrity: Equal to prevailing method

Construction time: 50% faster

Time to construct (to drive 10 piling, e.g.): 4-6 hours vs. two days (prevailing method) (picture – Buchanan Co.)



Top 10 Bridge Design Concepts

- Rail Flat Car Bridges: <https://iowadot.gov/research/reports/Year/2007/abstracts/tr498%20Tech%20Transfer.pdf>; http://www.operationsresearch.dot.state.ia.us/reports/ihrb_by_number/tr400plus.html
- Vibratory H-Piling Drivers: <https://www.hindawi.com/journals/sv/2017/7236956/#abstract>; <https://iowaltap.iastate.edu/bridge-innovation-and-demo-days-webinar-day-2/>
- Buried Soil Structures: <http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/webinars/160623.pdf>
- GRS-IBS (Fabric Abutments): https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/engineering/geotech/grs_ibs.cfm
- All Steel Piers: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/1687814017709936>
- Galvanized H-Piling: <https://galvan-ize.com/2018/05/23/galvan-delivers-galvanized-h-piles-to-eastern-western-nc/>
- Press Brake Tub Girders: ftp://ftp.mtri.org/pub/MDOT_BigBridges/Proceedings%20of%20the%207th%20NYC%20Bridge%20Conference%20-%20Durability%20of%20Bridge%20Structures/Part%202%20-%20Bridge%20Analysis%20&%20Design%20-%20Chapter%206-11/Chapter%208%20-%20Development%20of%20a%20shallow%20press%20brake%20formed%20tub%20girder.pdf
- Galvanized Steel Beams: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/steel/pubs/hif16002/volume19.pdf>
- Pre-stressed Deck Panels (see attachment)
- Inverted T Beam

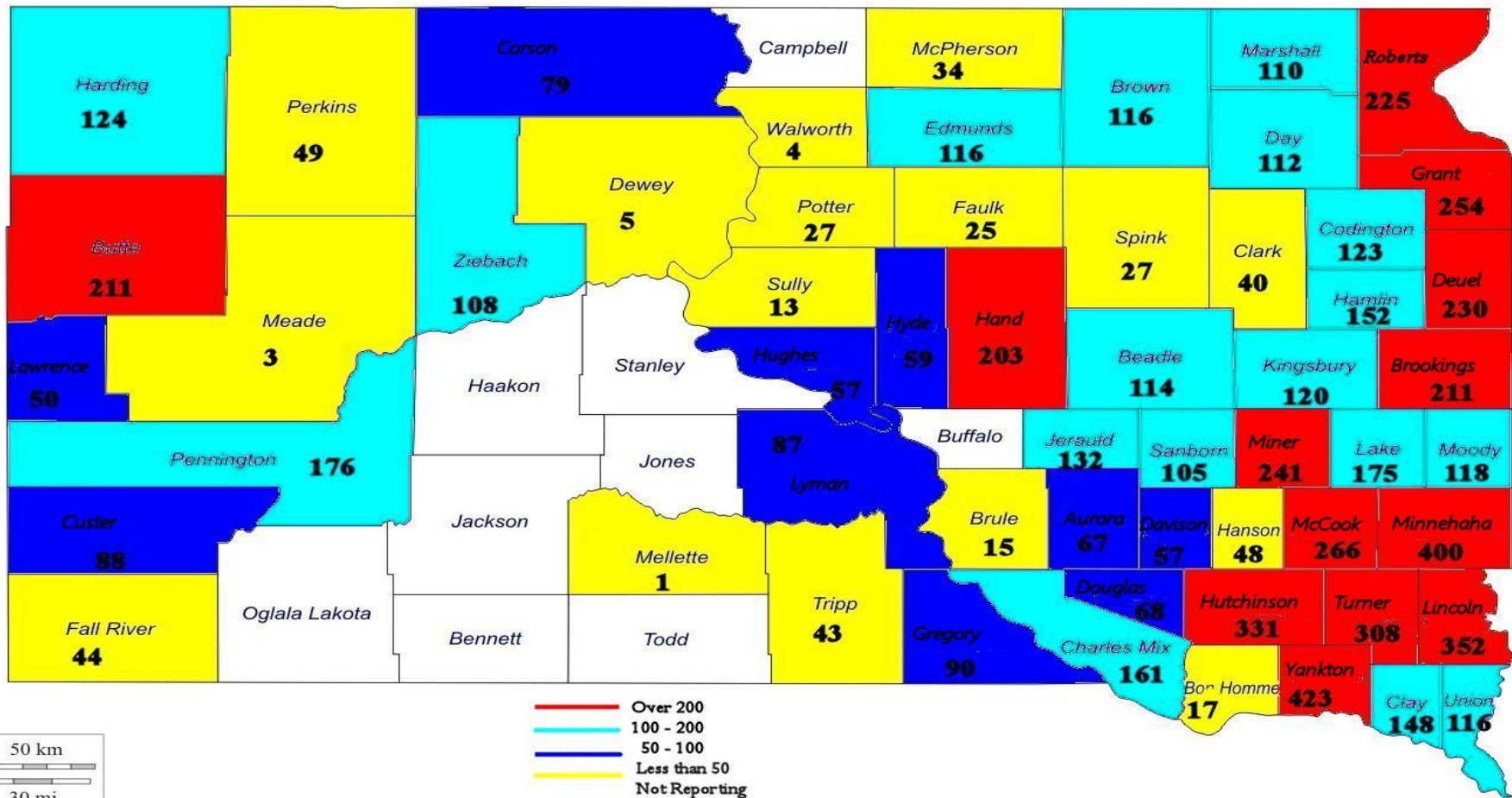
Top 10 Bridge Repairs

- Bridge Repair Innovations
- Piling Encasements: https://intrans.iastate.edu/app/uploads/2018/09/pile_assessment_tool_t2.pdf
- Concrete Pier Piling Repairs: <https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/50213190-underwater-bridge-repair-rehabilitation-and-countermeasures---marine-c>
- Driving Piling Through Decks: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/engineering/geotech/pubs/hif17044.pdf>
- Epoxy Deck Injections: https://intrans.iastate.edu/app/uploads/2019/02/bridge_deck_epoxy_injection_process_w_cvr.pdf
- Deck Overlays with Type O Concrete and Plasticizers:
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/infrastructure/bridge/17097/17097.pdf>
- Deck Patching: <https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=3106&context=jtrp>
- Thin Polymer Concrete Overlays: <https://wisconsin.gov/documents2/research/12-06-2nd-final-report.pdf>
- Penetrating Concrete Sealers: <https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/jtrp/1628/>
- Spot Cleaning Painting Steel Beams: <https://www.nap.edu/read/25089/chapter/5>
- Concrete Overlay on Adjacent Box Beams:
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/infrastructure/structures/bridge/17093/001.cfm>;
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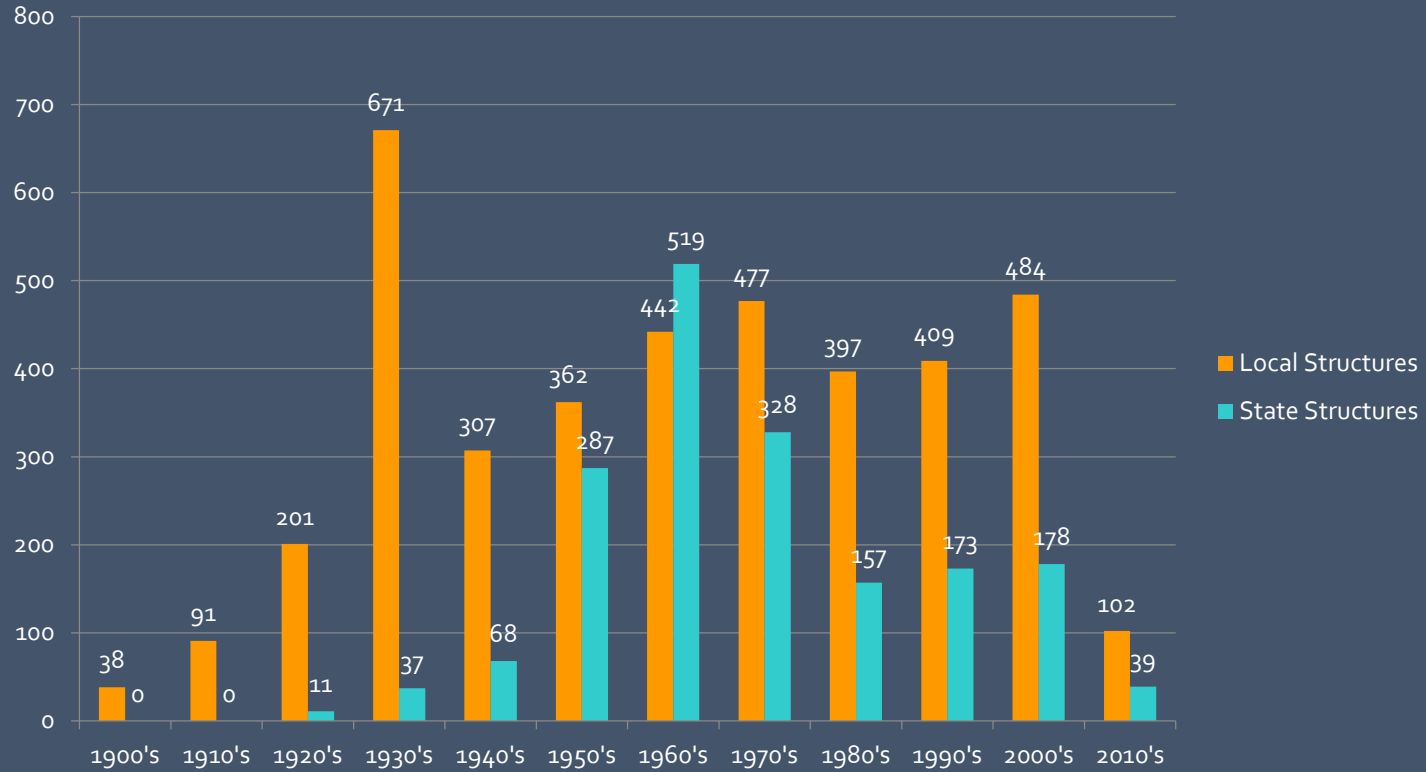
Local Structures on Primary

- Total structures 3923
- Poor condition (Replacement eligible) 959
- Total closed 93
- Posted for weight 978
- New structures (past 5 years) 235
- Greater than 75 years 1050
- Greater than 100 144

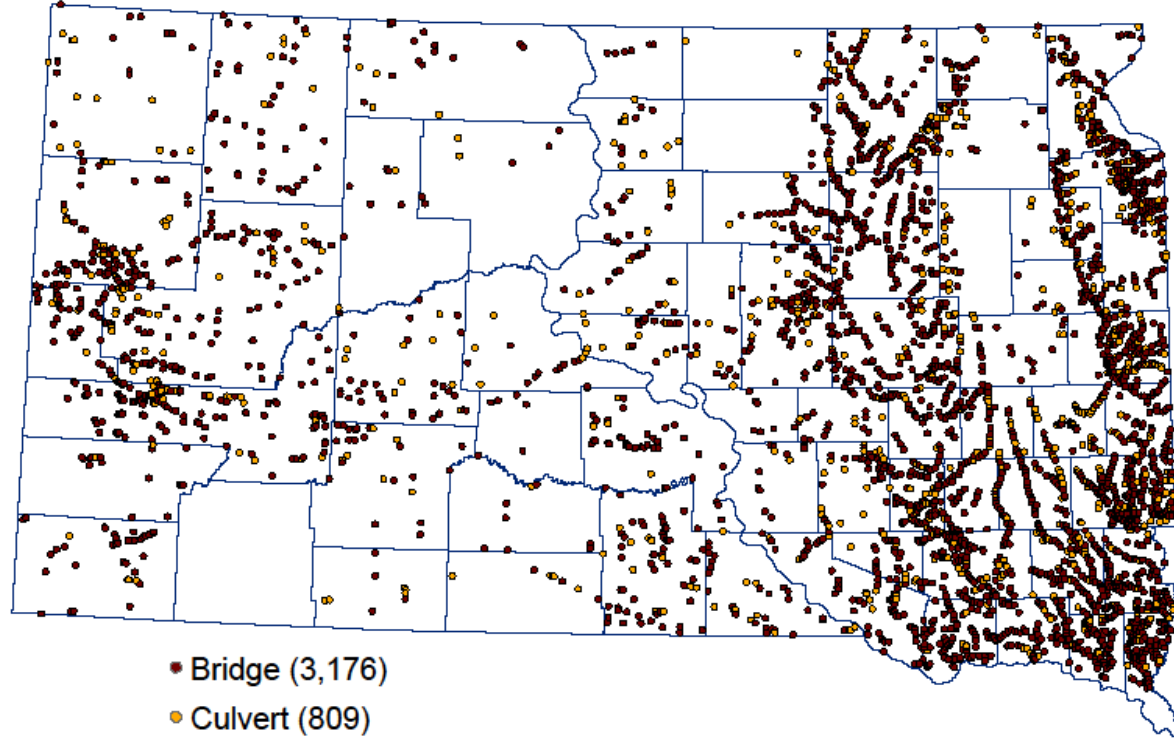
2016 INVENTORY OF SMALL STRUCTURES AND LARGE CULVERTS ON TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY SECONDARY ROADS



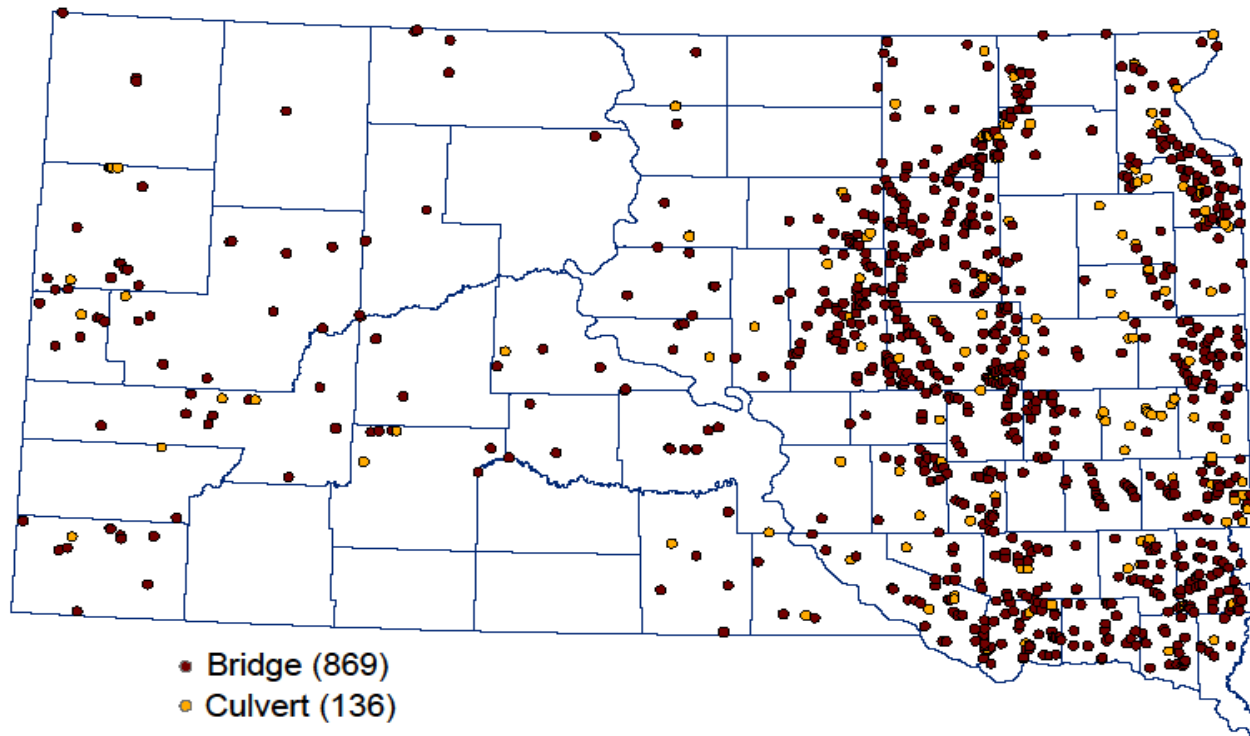
Bridges Built by Decade



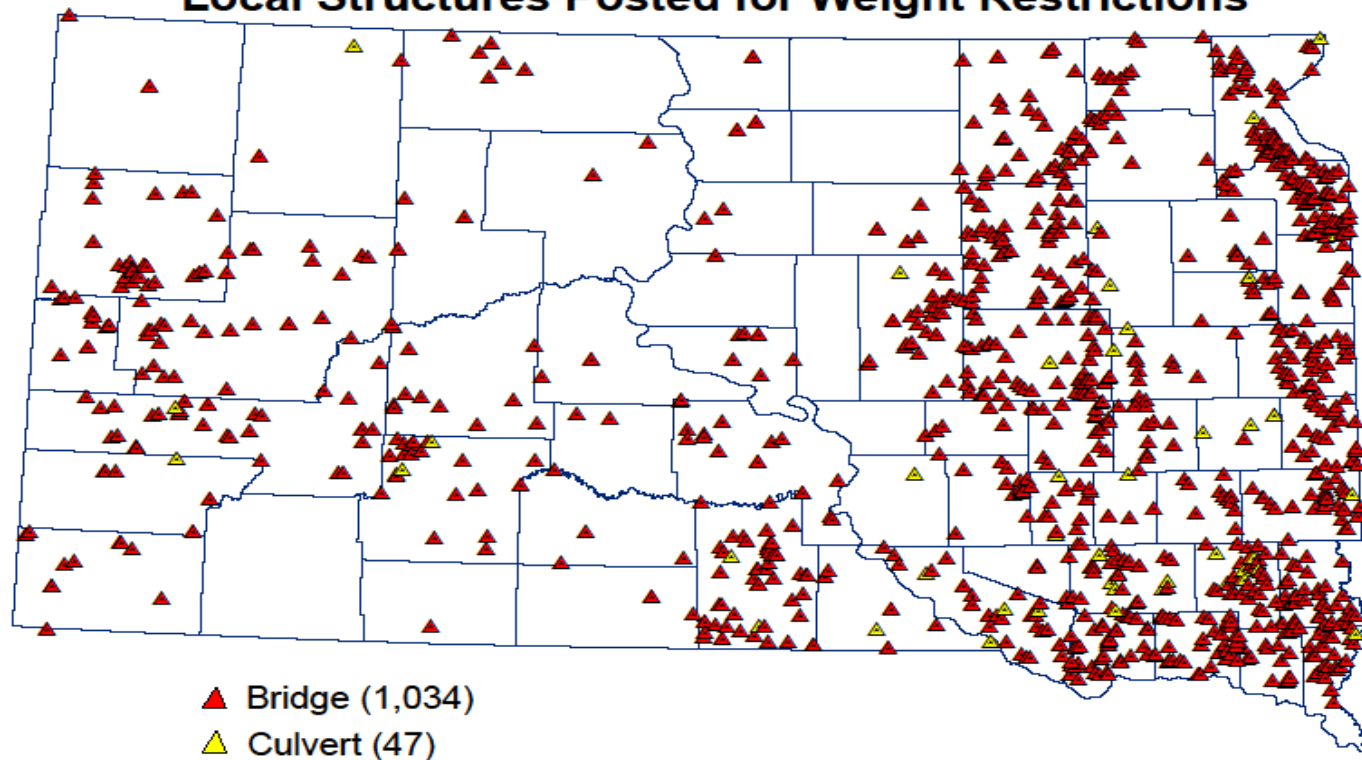
Local Government Owned Structures



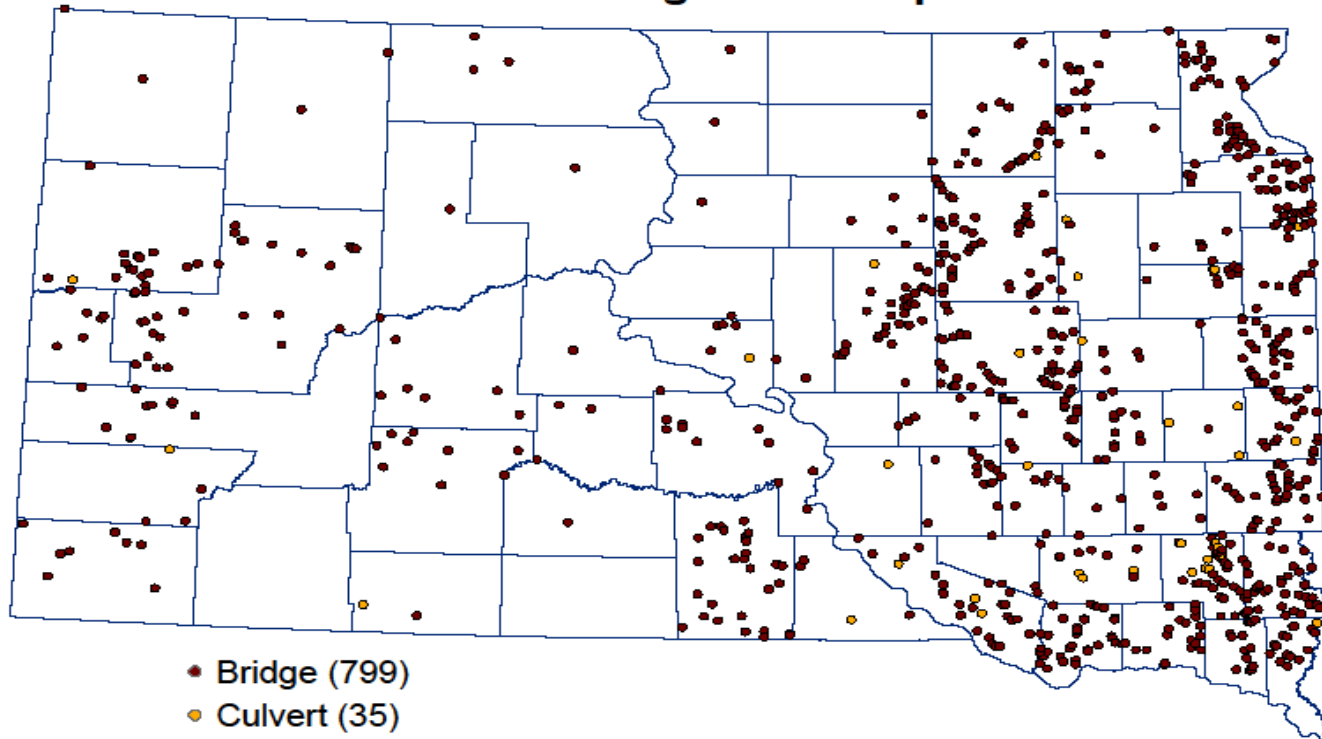
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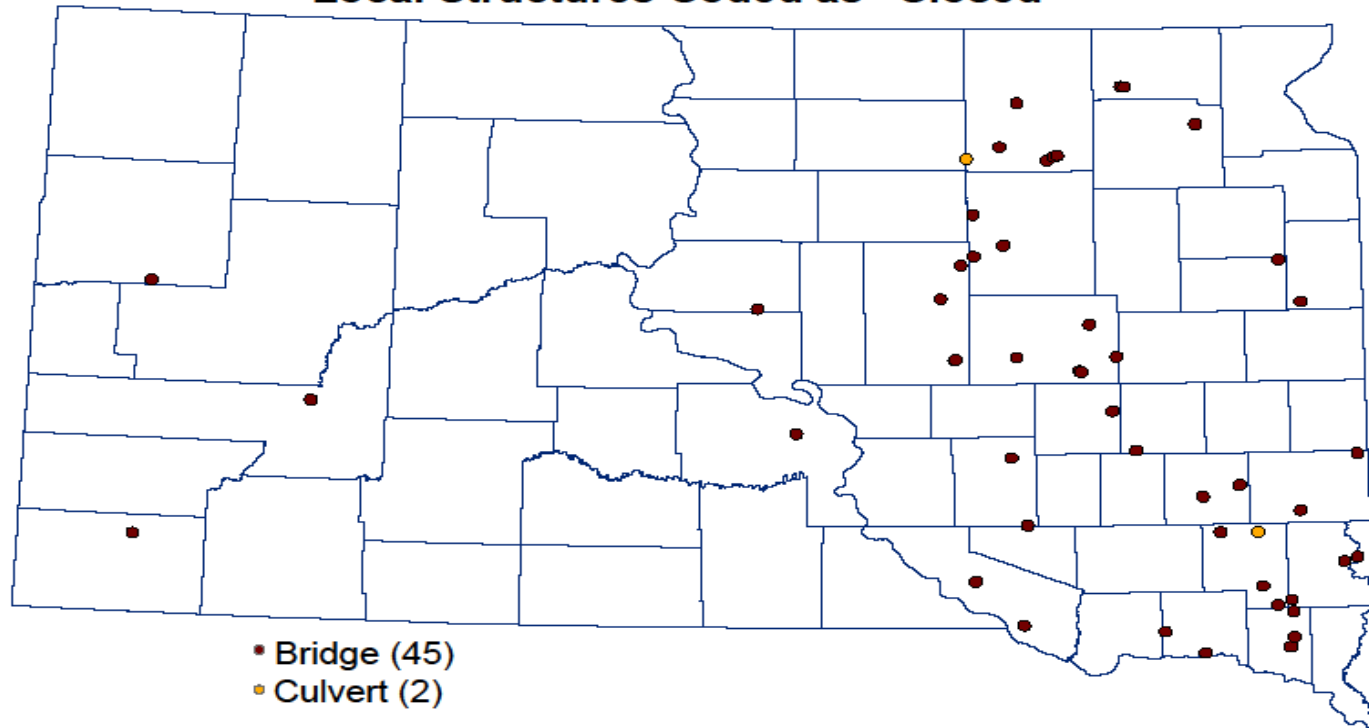
Local Structures Posted for Weight Restrictions



Local Structures Eligible for Replacement



Local Structures Coded as "Closed"



SMALL STRUCTURE/LARGE CULVERT INVENTORY

Ranking Based on Number of Structures

October 11, 2016 Data

Counties (66)	Ranking by # of Structure	Structure Total	Reporting TWPS
Aurora	37	67	20
Beadle	27	114	16
Bon Homme	51	17	12
Brookings	11	211	9
Brown	24	116	44
Brule	52	15	9
Butte	12	211	
Charles Mix	16	161	21
Clark	46	40	10
Clay	18	148	12
Codington	21	123	12
Corson	35	79	
Custer	33	88	
Davison	39	57	7
Day	28	112	27
Deuel	9	230	12
Dewey	54	5	
Douglas	36	68	7
Edmunds	25	116	18
Fall River	44	44	
Faulk	50	25	9
Grant	7	254	17
Gregory	32	90	22
Hamlin	17	152	12
Hand	13	203	31
Hanson	43	48	5
Harding	20	124	
Hughes	40	57	
Hutchinson	4	331	14
Hyde	38	59	15
Jerauld	19	132	15
Kingsbury	22	120	7
Lake	15	175	15
Lawrence	41	50	
Lincoln	3	352	13
Lyman	34	87	15
Marshall	29	110	13
McCook	6	266	16
McPherson	47	34	4
Meade	56	3	2
Mellette	57	1	1

Counties (Continued)	Ranking by # of Structures	Structure Total	Reportin g TWPS
Miner	8	241	16
Minnehaha	2	400	23
Moody	23	118	9
Pennington	14	176	10
Perkins	42	49	15
Potter	48	27	
Roberts	10	225	28
Sanborn	31	105	8
Spink	49	27	7
Sully	53	13	
Tripp	45	43	12
Turner	5	308	19
Union	26	116	9
Walworth	55	4	
Yankton	1	423	15
Ziebach	30	108	

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Counties Not Reporting:
(9)

Bennett			
Buffalo			
Campbell			
Haakon			
Jackson			
Jones			
Oglala Lakota			
Stanley			
Todd			