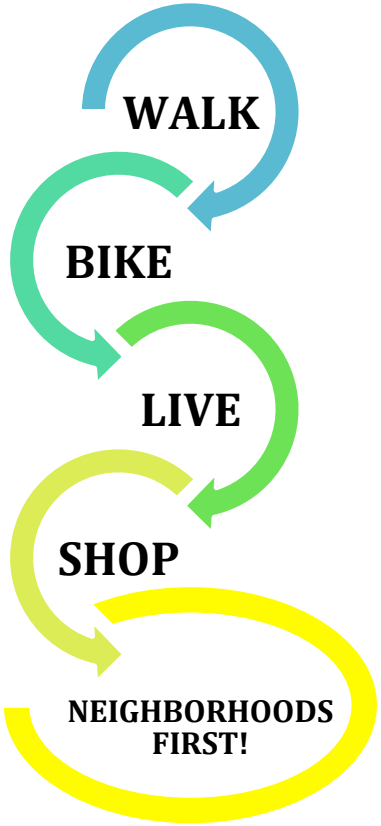

Air, Noise, Traffic - Impacts on Our Neighborhood

In 2005, the Ayd Mill Road (AMR) Final Environmental Impact Statement reported monitoring data for carbon monoxide (a test for air quality), decibel levels for noise and traffic volumes along the Ayd Mill corridor. Key findings were:

Air Quality

- The highest spike for carbon monoxide (CO) at Hamline Avenue (Eleanor Graham Garden) was 5 parts per million (ppm)
- The highest CO spike reached at University and Snelling avenues was 4 ppm
- Most CO readings at both AMR-and University-Snelling were 1-3 ppm

Noise Pollution

- 36 sites were monitored
- All 36 sites exceeded the state nighttime noise standards
- A few sites (unspecified) exceeded the daytime noise standards

Traffic Volume

- Prior to the AMR-35E south connection, less than 12,000 vehicles/day used AMR
- After the AMR-35E south connection was made, traffic volume rose to 26,000 vehicles/day
- The EIS projected traffic volume in 2020—on a 4-lane AMR with a south connection to I-35E and an indirect connection to I-94W on the north—would reach 21,000 vehicles/day