

Public Involvement

**US 2 Culvert Replacement
Wentworth – Brule
Bayfield Road to County D
Douglas County**

Project ID: 1180-05-04



November 2022

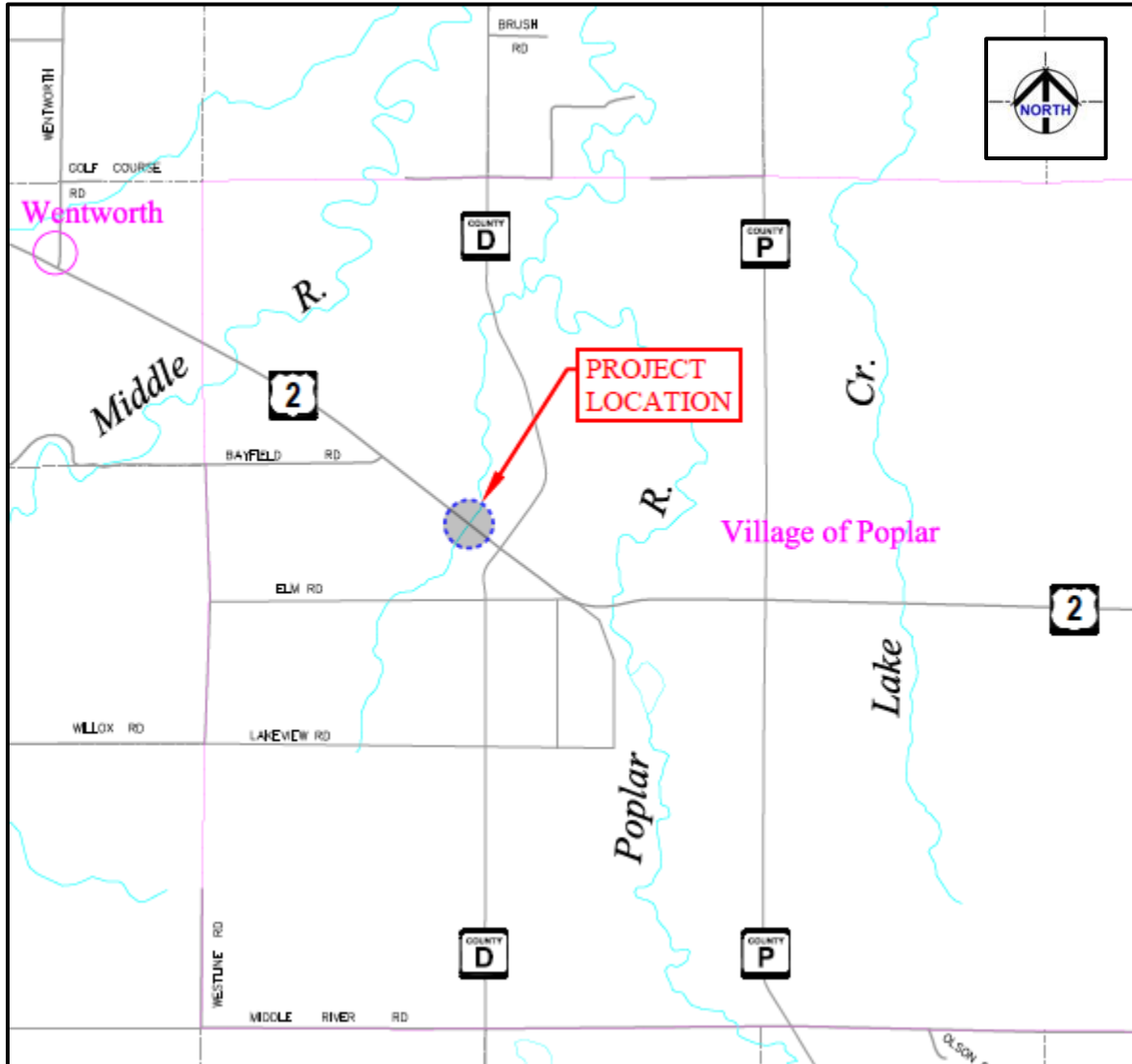
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Purpose

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is seeking your input on a proposed culvert improvement project on US 2 in the village of Poplar in Douglas County.

Project Information

The project is located on US 2 approximately 800 feet west of County D.



US 2 Culvert Project Location

Purpose and need

The purpose of the project is to address the deteriorated culvert and ongoing erosion near the culvert.

A 6 x 6-foot concrete box culvert under US 2 has an unknown construction date and was extended in 1931. A 5-foot metal culvert under the Tri-County Corridor Trail connects into the concrete box culvert. The entire culvert system is deteriorated.

These culverts must be addressed to ensure that US 2 as well as the Tri-County Corridor Trail will continue to safely carry roadway and recreational traffic.

Proposed improvements

The preferred alternative is subject to public input and environmental document approval.

The proposed improvements at the unnamed drainageway include:

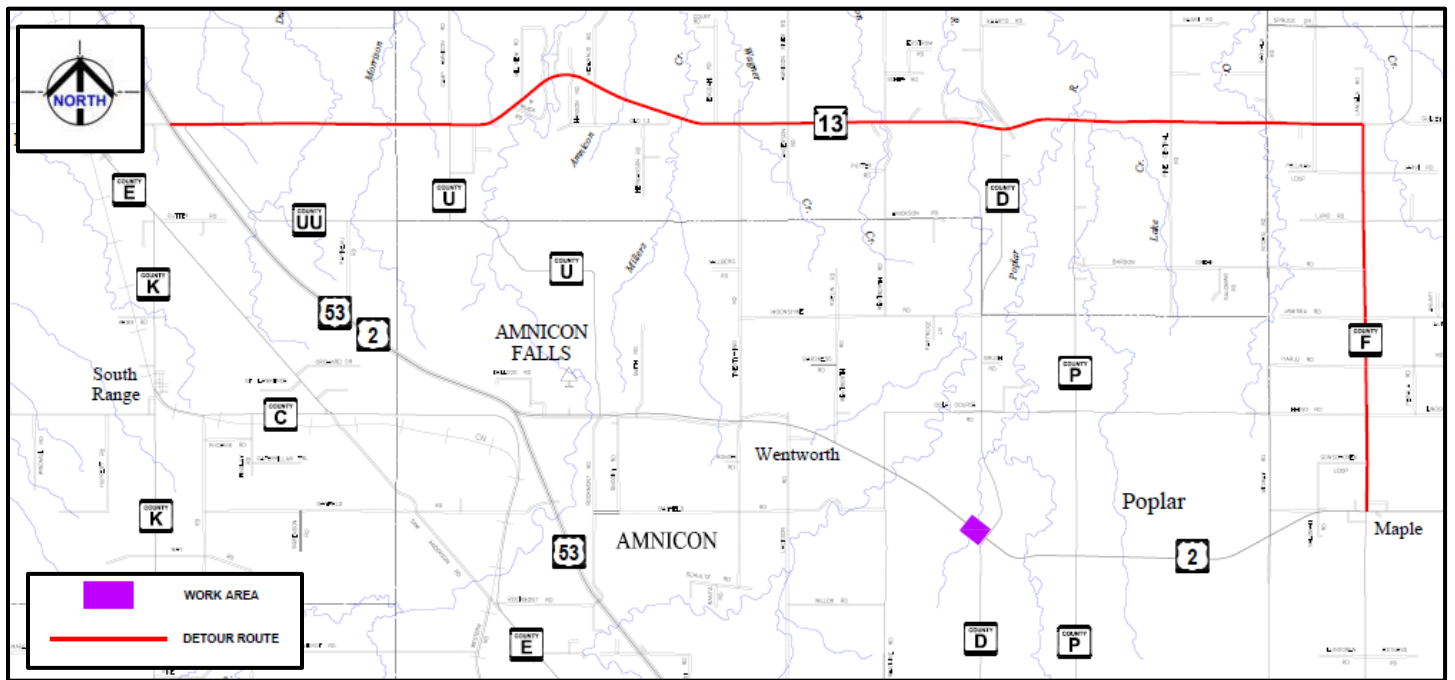
- Removal of the existing concrete and metal culverts.
- Construction of a new metal culvert located 10 to 15 feet west of the existing culvert.
 - A slight realignment of the culvert will allow the project to effectively manage the stream flow during construction without constructing a temporary culvert.
 - Based on hydraulic sizing and coordination with Wisconsin DNR, the proposed culvert is an 84-inch metal culvert.
 - New riprap stone will be placed at the culvert to minimize ongoing erosion in the stream.

Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled in 2025. Construction is anticipated to take one to two months to complete.

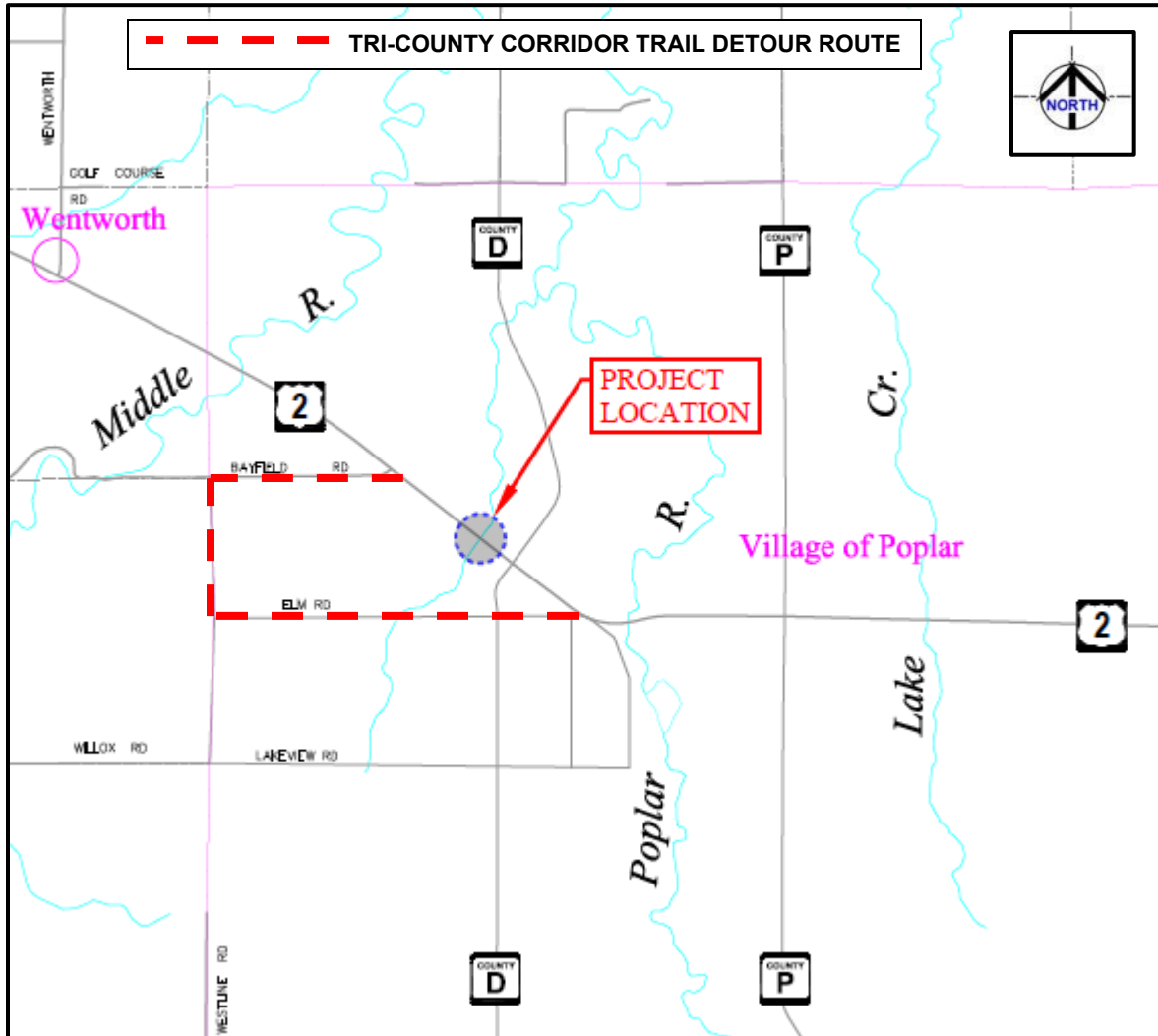
Access to the adjacent properties will be maintained during construction.

Traffic will be maintained on US 2 during construction with a short-term detour proposed during the culvert work directly under the US 2 travel lanes. US 2 traffic will be detoured on County F and WIS 13 for approximately two weeks.



US 2 Short-term Detour Route

The Tri-County Corridor Trail will be detoured during construction on the local roadways. The proposed detour is Bayfield Road to Center West Line Road to Elm Road.



Tri-County Corridor Trail Detour Route

Real estate

Permanent and temporary easements are proposed at the culvert ends to construct and maintain the project. Preliminary right-of-way impacts are shown on the exhibits. WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in January 2023.

Project update/next steps

Alternative development	Summer 2021
Local officials meeting #1	October 2022
Public involvement	November 2022
Environmental document	Winter 2022
Preliminary plans	Winter 2022
Right of way acquisition	Winter 2022 to spring 2024
Final plans	May 2024
Construction currently scheduled	2025

Public input/comments

Your comments assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

There are several ways to submit your input by **Nov. 30, 2022**:

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT.
2. Complete the comment form on the project website - <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/us2poplar/default.aspx> – and mail it to WisDOT.
3. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below.

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For more information, please contact:

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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