



Kwik Trip Highway Safety Improvement Project

WIS 128, St. Croix County

Winter 2022-23

Project Description

Kwik Trip is on WIS 128 in the St. Croix County town of Cady. This business is served to the north by two full access driveways connecting to a local street, which has direct and full access to WIS 128. In addition, it is served by a southern driveway on WIS 128 located about 800 feet north of I-94.

The southern access point has experienced continuous safety concerns and crashes resulting from motorists exiting the business at this location and attempting to travel southbound on WIS 128. Since WIS 128 is divided by a raised median at this location, some motorists have attempted to make illegal U-turns just north of the business entrance. Between 2018 and 2020, nine reported crashes resulted at this location, several of which resulted in injuries.

In an effort to reduce crashes, delineator posts were installed along the raised median and painted gore, and additional regulatory signs were installed at this location to discourage motorists from making illegal U-turns; however, crashes have continued to occur.

To improve safety at the southern driveway entrance, the proposed Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP) will restrict motorists from using this driveway as an entrance back onto WIS 128 by building a raised median there to reduce the instances for users to attempt U-turns at this location. Patrons of Kwik Trip will still be able to enter the business from this driveway; however, they will need to use one of the two existing driveways to the north to access the local street to enter back onto WIS 128. Additional signing will be installed near the Kwik Trip site to direct motorists to the north driveway.



Project Schedule

- Construction is scheduled to be completed in 2024.
- Work could occur as early as 2023 if funding becomes available.

Traffic Impacts

During construction, WIS 128 will remain open to through traffic, but:

- The southern entrance is proposed to be closed when the raised island is built, and all Kwik Trip traffic will be detoured to its north drives.
- The northbound shoulder on WIS 128 will be temporarily closed.

Real Estate

- All work will be completed in the existing highway right of way.
- No right-of-way acquisition is required for this project.

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