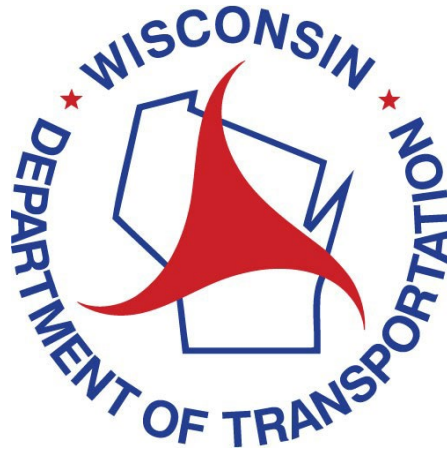


Public Involvement Handout

**WIS 48
Frederic - McKinley
WIS 35 to Bass Lake Lane
Polk County**

Project ID: 8820-00-00 (70)



Handout date: October 2023

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/wis48polkco/default.aspx>

Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to your feedback.

Project purpose and need

The existing pavement was last maintained in 2005. The existing pavement is deteriorating with cracking and rutting throughout.

Additional needs include:

- Curb ramps do not meet Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) standards
- Deteriorated and outdated guardrail that does not meet current safety standards
- Deteriorated drainage culverts

Anticipated benefits

The project is anticipated to provide a smoother riding surface, extend the service life of the pavement, minimize maintenance costs, provide standard accommodations for handicapped individuals and improve opportunities for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Proposed improvements

This is a pavement resurfacing project. Proposed improvements include:

- Milling and overlaying asphaltic pavement.
- Upgrading curb ramps to meet ADA standards.
- Replacing select culverts (approximately 12).
- Completing repairs/cleaning at other culverts.
- Replacing existing guardrail.
- Replacing pavement marking and centerline rumble strips to maintain safety.

Traffic impacts

- Construction is currently scheduled for 2028 but could be advanced to 2026.
- WIS 48 will remain open to traffic during construction.
 - Motorists can expect to encounter lane shifts and flagging operations with reduced lane widths.
 - Pedestrian traffic will be maintained with staging.
- WisDOT will contact homeowners and businesses when working directly in front of your driveway to coordinate daily access.
- Work is anticipated to take four to five months to complete.

Schedule

- Initial data collection and design development – fall 2022
- Local officials meeting – March 21, 2023
- Local officials meeting – Sept. 14, 2023
- Public involvement comment period – October/November 2023
- Preliminary plans and reports – fall 2023
- Environmental document – winter 2023
- Right of way plat – winter 2023
- Real estate acquisition – spring 2024 to spring 2025
- Final plans – spring 2025
- Construction currently scheduled – 2028, could be advanced to 2026 pending funding

Real estate

Minor permanent right of way (fee) or temporary easements are required to accommodate curb ramp upgrades and culvert improvements. Preliminary real estate needs are shown on the exhibits.

A landowner rights pamphlet is available on the project website and WisDOT will contact any impacted property owners directly. WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in summer 2024.

Business Resource: WisDOT's In This Together program

WisDOT recognizes businesses located in work zones have special needs. WisDOT's In This Together program is offered to businesses, organizations and community leaders as an idea source as they plan for road construction in their area. It includes promotional examples, case studies and a specially designed Business Coordination Guide with information on:

- Planning ahead
- Staying informed
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at www.wisconsin.gov/Together

Public input/comments

Please submit comments to WisDOT using one of the following methods so that we receive them by Nov. 10, 2023, to be considered during design.

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this document and mail to WisDOT.
2. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below.
3. Call the contact below.

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