

Virtual Public Involvement Meeting

I-41 Mitchell Interchange Rawson Avenue to Howard Avenue/35th Street Milwaukee County

Project ID 1030-43-01/71 & 1030-43-02/72



October 1, 2020

Rather than holding an in-person meeting, public involvement efforts have moved online as a precaution against COVID-19 based on the most current health information from state, federal and local health departments.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation continues to review prioritization and potential alternatives for public meetings and events.

**This handout and other meeting items are available on the design website at:
<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/se/mitchell-interchange/default.aspx>**

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

Purpose of the meeting

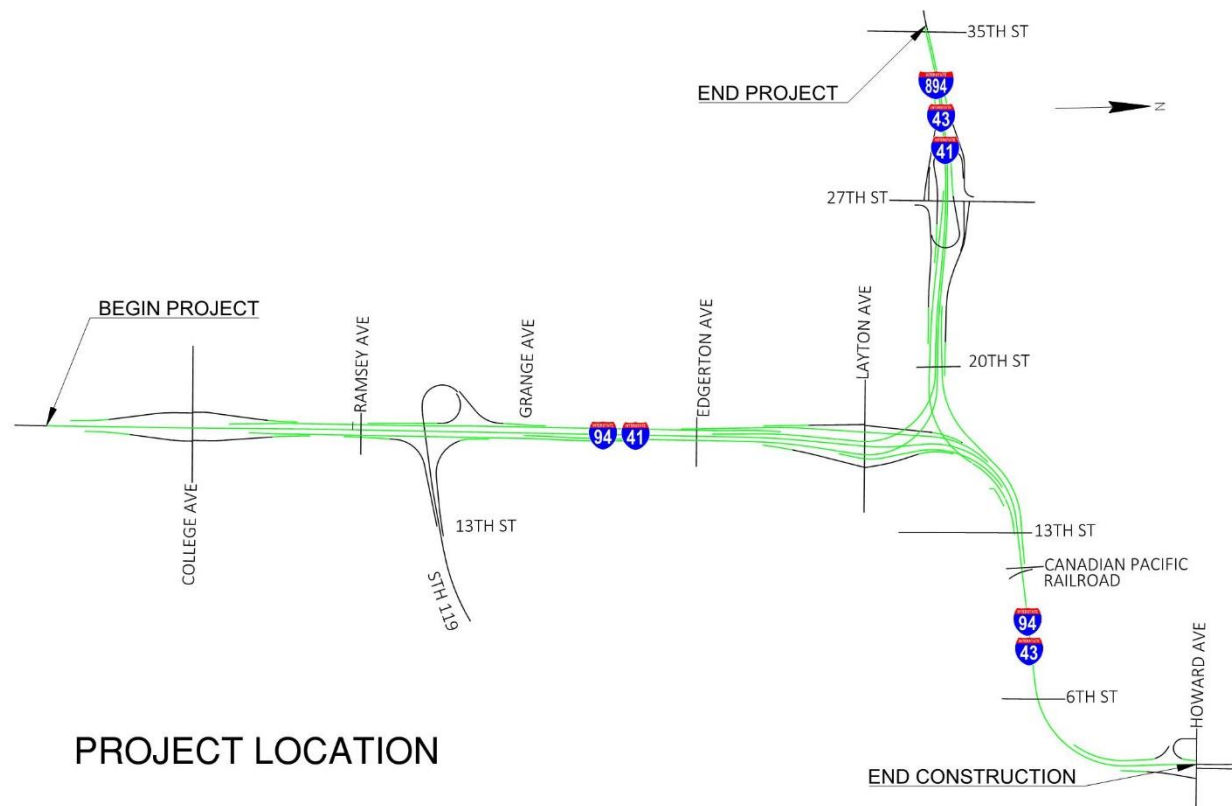
The objective of this meeting is to obtain your input on the identified needs and proposed improvements along the I-41/43/94/894 interstate highway in Milwaukee County.

Project information

The intent of the project is to resurface the I-41/43/94/894 interstate highway between Rawson Avenue, Howard Avenue and 35th Street, approximately 5.5 miles.

The project need is based on pavement condition, and structural maintenance.

- The most recent reconstruction of the project area was completed in 2012.
- The pavement surface is reaching the end of its service life, and is due for a resurfacing.
- Within the Mitchell Interchange, this project will replace the High Friction Surface Treatments after the resurfacing has been completed to improve safety.
- The bridge approaches within the project limits require routine maintenance.
- Several of the retaining walls and noise walls are in need of spot repairs.



PROJECT LOCATION

The project will address the deteriorating pavement condition and improve the vehicular ride quality. Project improvements include:

- Milling, patching and resurfacing the roadway with asphalt
- Replacing High Friction Surface Treatments
- Addressing joint maintenance at bridge approach slabs
- Repairing retaining walls and noise walls
- Various drainage improvements
- Replacing pavement markings

The I-41/43/94/894 interstate highway carries approximately 180,000 vehicles per day. The proposed project will maintain the current number of lanes and lane configurations.

The posted speed within the interchange is 50 mph and will remain as is with the project.

Traffic impacts

Traffic management alternatives such as off-peak/nighttime closures, off-peak/nighttime ramp detours, or a combination of approaches are currently being evaluated. The project construction is anticipated to last for 5 to 6 months.

Access for residents, businesses, and emergency services will be coordinated and maintained throughout the project limits during construction. Paving and repair work will need to be constructed in stages. Lane closures will be communicated closely with local officials, and will be restricted during holiday and special event periods.

Environmental Coordination

Environmental studies, including hazardous materials, archaeological and historic surveys, wetland delineation, threatened/endangered species review, and environmental documentation are ongoing.

Real estate

Acquisition of real estate is not anticipated for the project. Work is anticipated to occur within the existing right of way. Two small Temporary Limited Easements (TLE) are anticipated. These TLE's are located adjacent to retaining walls at Edgerton Avenue and 27th Street. The Temporary Limited Easements are needed for construction access, grading, and drainage improvements. The land within the TLE's will be restored at the end of construction.

Project update/next steps

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| • Local officials meeting | September 22, 2020 |
| • Virtual public involvement meeting | October 1 – October 29, 2020 |
| • Environmental document | November 2020 |
| • Preliminary plans completed | November 2020 |
| • Final design completed | May 2022 |
| • Construction | 2027* |

*subject to change based on available funding.

Public input/comments

Please review the following materials on the project website at:

<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/se/mitchell-interchange/default.aspx>

- This handout
- Comment form
- Project presentation and exhibits showing the proposed improvements

We encourage you to contact the project representative listed below to let WisDOT know any questions or comments you may have. WisDOT would also appreciate knowledge of any concerns along the project corridor.

Please forward your comments to me by October 29, 2020, via the comment form on the project website or via email/phone. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process. For more information, please contact:

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