

# The Beltline: What's in. What's out. What's ahead.

Your input is needed! The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is nearing the end of a comprehensive Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL) study for the Madison Beltline from US 14 in Middleton to County N in Cottage Grove. The study, conducted for nearly three years, has evaluated a variety of improvements for all modes of travel and combined them into strategy packages with the potential to address long-term transportation needs for the Beltline. The evaluation results are now being brought forward for public input and feedback at a series of public involvement meetings. Following the public meetings, the selected packages will be further evaluated within an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).



# Monday, November 2, 2015

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. **Boys & Girls Club Gym** 4619 Jenewein Road, Fitchburg



# Tuesday, November 3, 2015

7 - 9 A.M., presentation at 7:30 A.M. **Boys & Girls Club Gym** 4619 Jenewein Road, Fitchburg



# Wednesday, November 4, 2015

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. Wisconsin Bank & Trust (Community Rm.) 119 Junction Road, Madison



# **Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. **Centro Hispano** 810 W. Badger Road, Madison



#### Thursday, November 12, 2015

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. **Kromrey Middle School - Cafetorium** 7009 Donna Drive, Middleton



# Monday, November 16, 2015

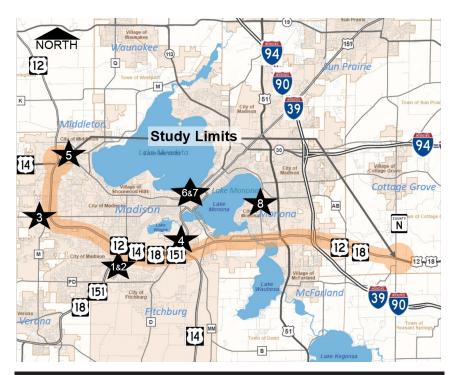
Two meetings:

11:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M., presentation at 12:15 P.M.

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. **Madison Central Library, Room 302** 201 W. Mifflin Street, Madison

# Wednesday, November 18, 2015

5:30 - 8 P.M., presentation at 6 P.M. **Monona Community Center** 1011 Nichols Road, Monona



The public involvement meetings are being offered in a variety of locations and times. Each meeting will cover the same content.

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Meetings are wheelchair accessible. Citizens with a hearing impairment, requiring an interpreter (other than Spanish), may request one by contacting the DOT Southwest Region at 608-246-7928 at least three working days prior to the meeting via Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay System (dial 711).

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# Why is the Beltline being studied?

Built in the 1950's, the Beltline is experiencing challenges that need to be addressed. These include:

- Motor vehicle congestion
- Too many crashes
- Complex regional traffic patterns
- Bike/ped accommodations needs
- Transit needs
- Few alternate routes
- Deteriorating physical conditions



The Beltline PEL Process is a collaborative approach to transportation decision making that engages a broad spectrum of agencies and community stakeholders and considers the area's long-term environmental, community and economic goals in developing the best long-term solutions.

### **PEL Process Steps**

The adjacent graphic illustrates the steps being used for the Beltline study. These steps include:

- Develop problem statement, goals and objectives
- Develop screening criteria based on the goals and objectives
- Begin outreach
- Analyze multi-modal strategy components individually and in combinations
- Document results in a report
- Eliminate strategies that do not meet screening criteria
- Use study results and documents in future environmental documents

#### Bus Rapid Transit **Develop** Identify Develop **Problem** Develop Strategies to **Strategies** Statement, Screening **Bring** and Evaluate Goals, and Criteria Forward into (Screen) **Objectives NEPA**

# **Desired Beltline PEL Outcomes**

- Improve all modes of travel
- Evaluate broad spectrum of potential solutions
- Involve stakeholders
- Minimize controversy through data-driven, easy to understand process
- Understand potential neighborhood and resource impacts
- Develop recommendations that are compatible with other area plans and studies (such as the Stoughton Road study and the I-39 improvements)

# Study Schedule

