

Public Involvement

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WIS 16

**Watertown - Waukesha
E Main St to Rock River Road
Jefferson County**

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**Watertown - Waukesha
Main St/Oak Hill Dr Intersection
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**Public Comment Period:
June 17 – July 20**

This handout and other items are available on the design website.

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

Purpose

Our objective is to obtain your input on the identified needs, proposed improvements, and real estate needs along WIS 16 through the City of Watertown and Towns of Watertown and Ixonia in Jefferson County(see project location map below)

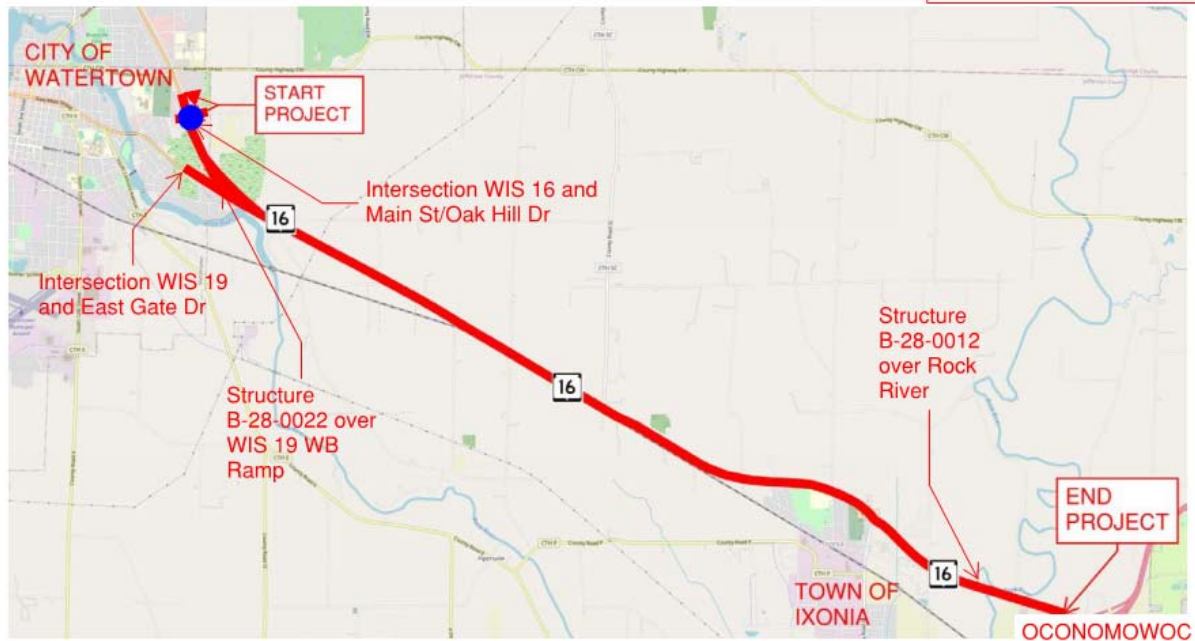
PROJECT LOCATION MAP

PROJECT ID 1370-00-03/73/76
WIS 16
EAST MAIN STREET TO ROCK RIVER RD
EAST MAIN STREET/OAK HILL DR INTERSECTION
JEFFERSON COUNTY



LEGEND

-  PROPOSED ROUNDABOUT
-  PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT



Purpose and need for roadway improvements

WIS 16 is an east-west two-lane roadway and is classified as a principal arterial within the project limits. WIS 16 is on the National Highway System (NHS), is identified as a Corridors 2030 connector, and is both a state and federal long truck route. WIS 16 is not designated as an over-sized over-weight (OSOW) truck in southcentral Wisconsin. Trucks account for 2.3 to 12.1 percent of the traffic along the corridor. WIS 16 is an important principal arterial carrying local and truck traffic between Watertown and Waukesha.

The existing pavement shows signs of extensive cracking and poor ride quality. If not replaced in a timely manner, the pavement structure will continue to deteriorate leading the ride quality to continue to worsen and safety be reduced. The existing concrete pavement was overlaid with 4-inches of asphalt in 1982. In 2001, 3.5-inches of the asphalt overlay was milled and relayed.

Additionally, the intersection of WIS 16 & Main Street/Oak Hill Dr has a high crash rate which is likely contributed to by the 20-degree skew of the existing intersection as well as the speed limit on STH 16. Most of the crashes are angle crashes which have resulted from a failure to yield from traffic attempting to turn left onto STH 16 or continue through the intersection. If the existing intersection is not addressed safety conditions may continue to deteriorate as traffic grows.

Proposed improvements

Improvements include:

- Removal of the existing pavement and base aggregate
- Installation of 6-inches of new pavement on top of 26-inches of base aggregate on top of geogrid
- Milling 2.5-inches of existing asphalt surface at the roundabout at WIS 16 and County F prior to placement of 2.5-inches of new asphalt
- Upgrade of guardrail and guardrail grading
- Repairs to B-28-0022 (WIS 16 EB over WIS 19 WB Ramp) and B-28-0012 (WIS 16 over the Rock River)
- Reconstruction of the intersection at WIS 16 and East Main Street/Oak Hill Drive to a single lane roundabout

Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. This will include small areas of permanent (fee) and temporary (temporary limited easement) land acquisitions to accommodate the proposed roundabout at the intersection of WIS 16 and East Main Street/Oak Hill Dr. Estimated right of way impacts are shown on the exhibits posted on the project website.

A landowner rights pamphlet is available on the project website. Real estate acquisition is expected to begin in 2022. Direct mailings and coordination will occur with impacted property owners.

Proposed traffic impacts

The improvement project is currently scheduled for construction in 2025. WIS 16 will be closed and through traffic will be routed around the project via WIS 26, I-94, and WIS 67.

Emergency and local access to adjacent properties will be maintained during construction. Brief interruptions in access may occur temporarily at driveways. The contractor will be required to notify homeowners and businesses prior to construction.

Project update/next steps

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| • Local official meeting/Public Involvement Meeting | June - July 2022 |
| • In-person Public Involvement Meeting | July 13, 2022 |
| • Environmental document | July 2022 |
| • Preliminary plans/Plans to Utilities | September 2022 |
| • Right of way plat | November 2022 |
| • Real estate negotiations | Winter 2022 |
| • Final plans | August 1, 2024 |
| • Construction currently scheduled | 2025 |

Project design website

Access the following materials on the project design website.

- Project background
- Comment form to mail
- Project presentation and exhibits
- Landowner Rights brochure

How to provide your input

There are several ways to submit your feedback by **July 20, 2022**

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this document and mail it to WisDOT
2. Download and fill out the pdf on the project website and mail or email it to WisDOT
3. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below
4. Attend the in-person PIM

Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

Deaf or hard of hearing persons needing assistance should contact the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay system (dial 711).

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