Public Involvement

WIS 23 Fox River Bridge to Old Green Lake Road Green Lake County Project ID: 1430-08-83



February 2024

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Purpose

Public information period to provide general project information and gather public input.

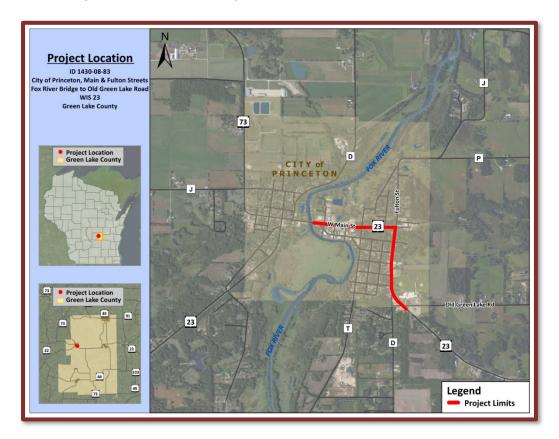
Project Information

We are proposing to improve 1.15 miles of WIS 23 in Princeton.

The project will address pavement and curb ramp deficiencies on WIS 23.

The existing pavement is showing signs of deterioration and some existing curb ramps do not meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

Proposed improvements include resurfacing WIS 23 by milling and overlaying the existing asphalt pavement, upgrading existing curb ramps to meet current ADA standards, and updating pavement markings and on-street parking.



Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled for 2028 but could be advanced to 2027 if funding becomes available.

WIS 23 will remain open to traffic throughout construction. Crews will manage traffic with flagging operations and shoulder/parking closures. Motorists can expect some delays to occur, but delays will be managed thru limiting contractor operations at critical times.

Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. Small areas of right of way and temporary easements will be required for curb ramp reconstruction. Preliminary right of way impacts are shown on the exhibits. WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in Summer 2024.

Local officials meeting	Dec. 13, 2024
Public involvement	Feb. 22 – March 22, 2024
Preliminary plans	March 2024
Environmental document	March 2024
Final right of way plat	May 2024
Real estate negotiations	May 2024 - May 2026
Final plans	May 2027 (May 2026 advanceable)
Construction currently scheduled	2028 (2027 advanceable)

Project update/next steps

Public input/comments

Your comments assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

There are several ways to submit your input by March 22, 2024:

- 1. Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT
- 2. Complete the fillable online survey on the project website https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis23princetongl/default.aspx
- 3. Email comments or questions to the contact(s) listed below

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For more information, please contact:

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A quick guide to help your business prepare for road construction

ORGANIZE EARLY

 Learn more about the project and its timeline

Open for

Business

- Develop questions for WisDOT staff
- Check in with neighboring businesses and/or local business organization
- Can you partner on promotions, events or materials?
 - Establish a point of contact for the business community?

STAY ENGAGED WITH THE PROJECT

- Attend public involvement meeting(s)
 - Make note of contact information for the project team, and voice the unique needs of your business
 - Learn more about project resources
 - Is there a construction website? Is there a mailing list? Is there an email distribution?

HELP CUSTOMERS FIND YOU

- Consult with project staff to determine when and where there may be closures or detours
- Ask about temporary signage options
- Consider how best to inform customers
- Maybe a joint communication with neighboring businesses for employees and customers about traffic and parking?
 - Maybe a feature article in a customer-facing newsletter?
 - Maybe a social media post shared by businesses and local community pages?

END OF CONSTRUCTION

- Stay positive, be flexible and know that WisDOT staff are available to help
- Collect any temporary signage
- Let customers know!



- Consider working with other businesses on a special event?
- Share social media about the project's benefits?
- Ask customers to help spread the word?



Remember, we are In This Together! For more planning ideas, tips and resources: wisconsindot.gov/together

DEVELOP AND ACTIVATE YOUR GAME PLAN

- Check out case studies at wisconsindot.gov/together
- Connect with project contacts to discuss any potential obstacles specific to your business such as deliveries, operational hours, employee parking, etc.
- Check in with employees
- Is there a consistent message for customers?
 - Are there temporary changes to shift times, parking, or deliveries?