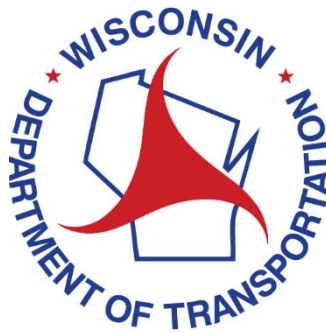


Public Involvement

WIS 29
Abbotsford to Wausau
Marathon County
Project ID: 1053-07-08



July 2025

Purpose of Handout

To educate the public on the scope, schedule, and potential impacts of the Abbotsford to Wausau WIS 29 project. To also provide the public with an opportunity to comment and provide input.

Project Information

The project will extend the service life of the roadway.

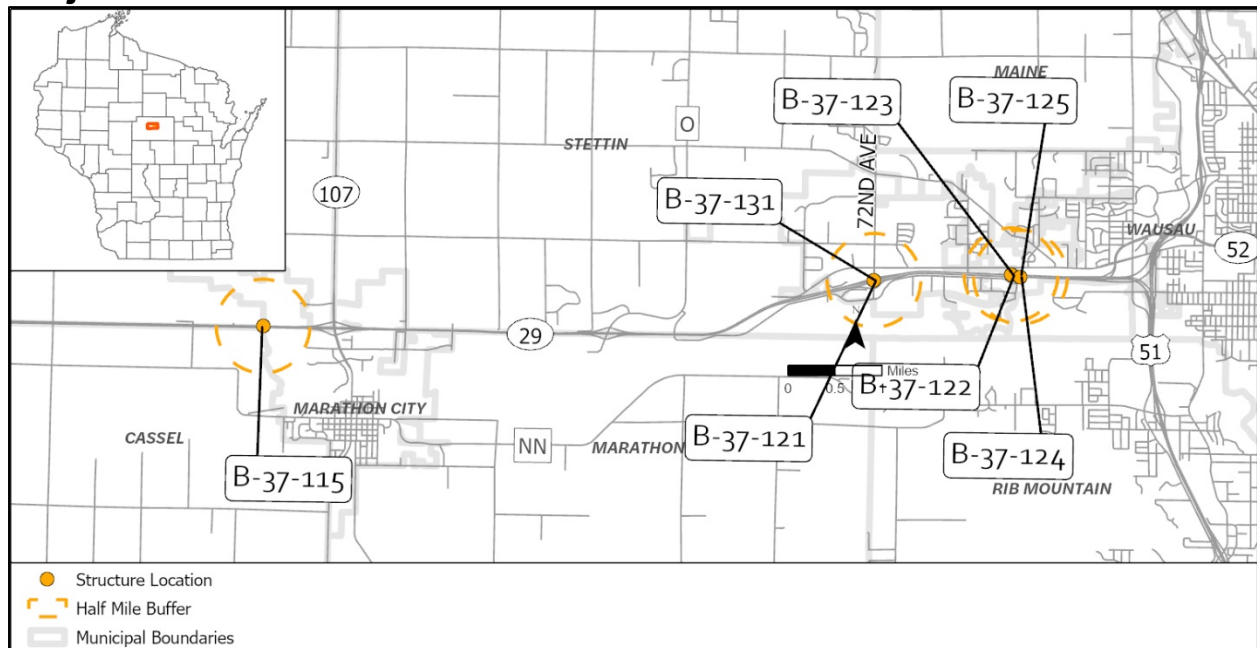
The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate bridge decks and repair other structural features of seven bridges located along the WIS 29 mainline to extend the service life of those bridges.

Proposed improvements include:

- Concrete overlay on bridge decks
- Joint repairs and panel replacements
- Mill and overlay on paved shoulders
- Thin polymer overlay

Environmental review is expected to be completed by September 2025.

Project Location



Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled to begin during the spring/summer of 2028.

During most of the construction, the roadway will be constructed one side at a time, closing one side for construction while the other side traffic. Lane closures are permissible over the weekend.

Construction is currently scheduled for completion in October 2028.

Real estate

This project is not anticipated to require any additional right-of-way or temporary land acquisitions.

Project update/next steps

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| Local officials meeting | June 16, 2025 |
| Public involvement | June/July 2025 |
| Preliminary plans | October 2025 |
| Environmental document | July/August 2025 |
| Design Review | January 2026 |
| Utility Coordination | February 2026 |
| Final plans | May 2027 |
| Construction currently scheduled | Summer 2028 |

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 **September 1, 2025**:

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/wis29bridgewausau/default.aspx>
3. Email comments or questions to the contact(s) listed below

For more information, please contact:

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Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

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Open for
Business



In This Together Program

A quick guide to help your business prepare for road construction

1 ORGANIZE EARLY



- Learn more about the project and its timeline
- 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?*

2

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?*

3

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?*

4

DEVELOP AND ACTIVATE YOUR GAME PLAN



- Check out case studies at wisconsin.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?*

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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: wisconsin.gov/together

Public Involvement Comment Form

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WIS 29

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Would you like someone to contact you about this project: Yes ____ No ____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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Attn: Korey Boehm, P.E.
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