Public Involvement Meeting

WIS 49

South Street to South Washington Street

WIS 91

WIS 49 South to Berlin City Limits

City of Berlin, Green Lake County

June 19, 2025

Introductions

- WisDOT
  - Preston Bohn, WisDOT Project Manager
  - Michael Jelinek, WisDOT Project Leader
  - Kevin Kujawa, WisDOT Supervisor

- Design Team
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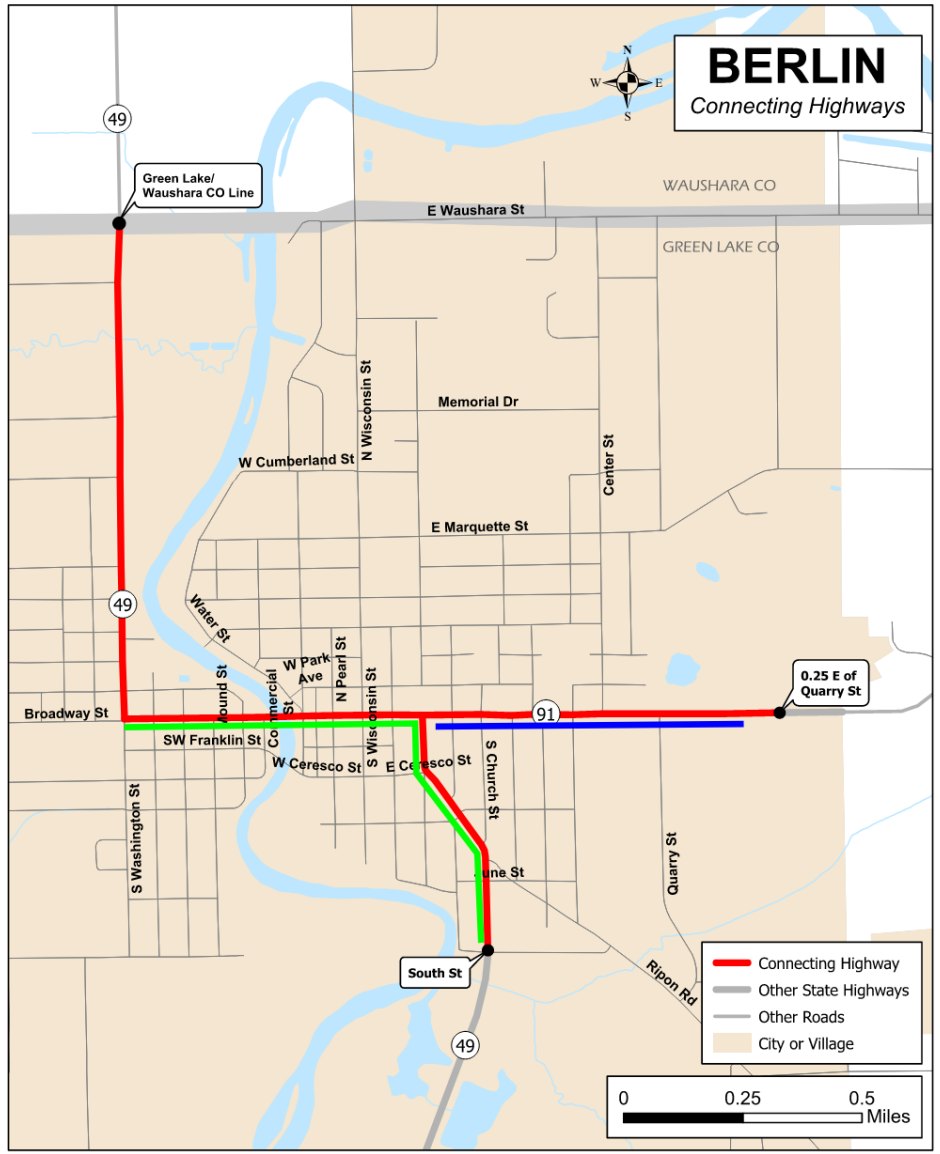
  - Brian St. Vincent, KL Engineering, Inc.
  - Nathan Rullman, KL Engineering, Inc.

Agenda

- Project Location
- Purpose and Need
- Proposed Improvements
- Traffic Control / Traffic Impacts
- Real Estate Needs
- Schedule
- Public Involvement

Project Location

- WIS 49 and WIS 91 are connecting highways
  - Carries state highway traffic on local streets
  - Connecting highway aids from WisDOT help the City maintain WIS 49 and WIS 91 to state highway standards
  - City of Berlin
    - Maintains the roadway and drainage systems
    - Controls access and parking
    - Owns the right of way



Purpose and Need

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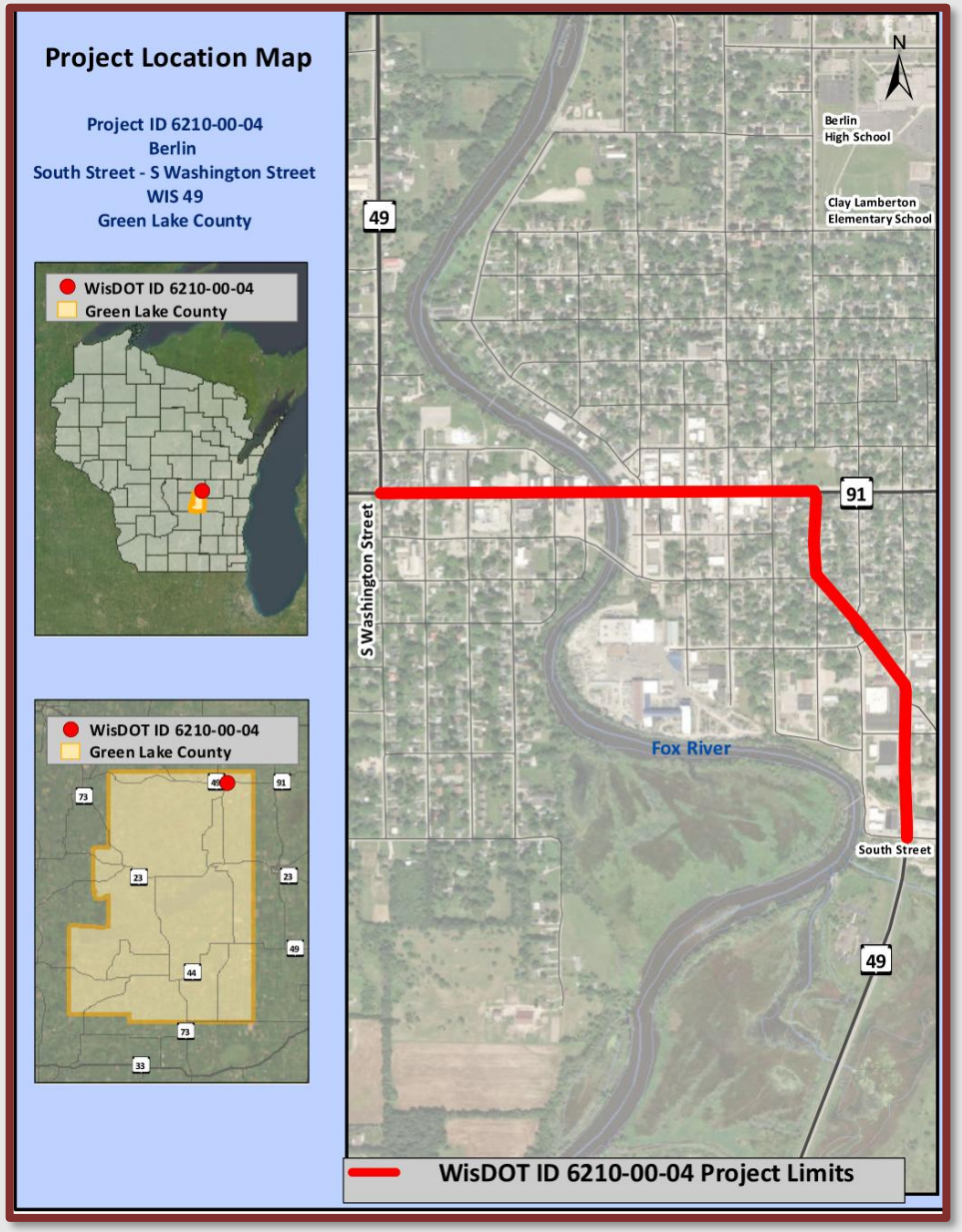
  - Address pavement deficiencies along WIS 49 and WIS 91 through Berlin
    - The pavement has met the end of its service life
  - Curb ramps do not meet ADA standards along WIS 49 and WIS 91

Project Location

- Project limits
  - Spring Street/Ripon Road
    Huron Street/Broadway Street
  - Begin: South Street
  - End: South Washington Street
  - Length: 1.2 miles



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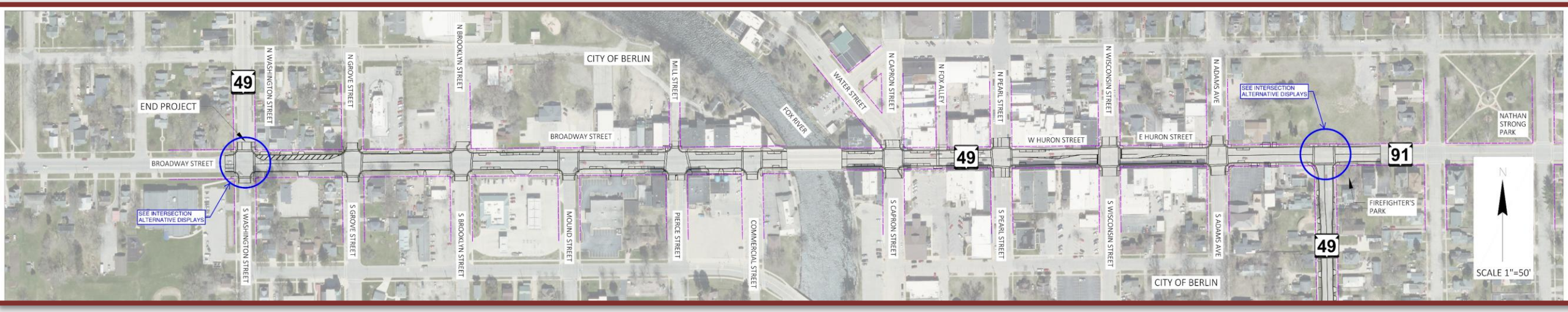

Proposed Improvements

- Roadway
  - Full depth pavement replacement with new concrete pavement
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    - 16-inches subbase and fabric (added support due to poor soils)
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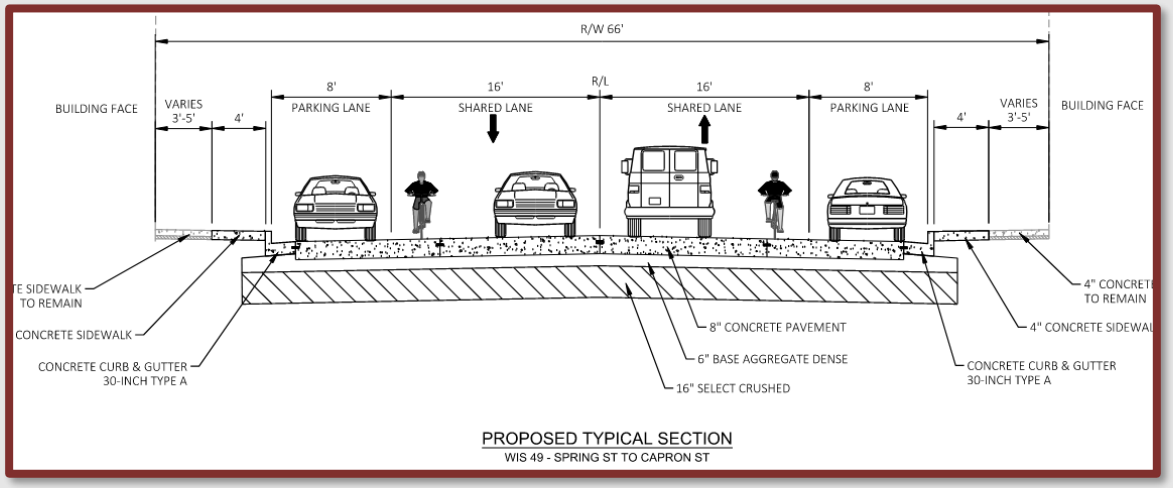

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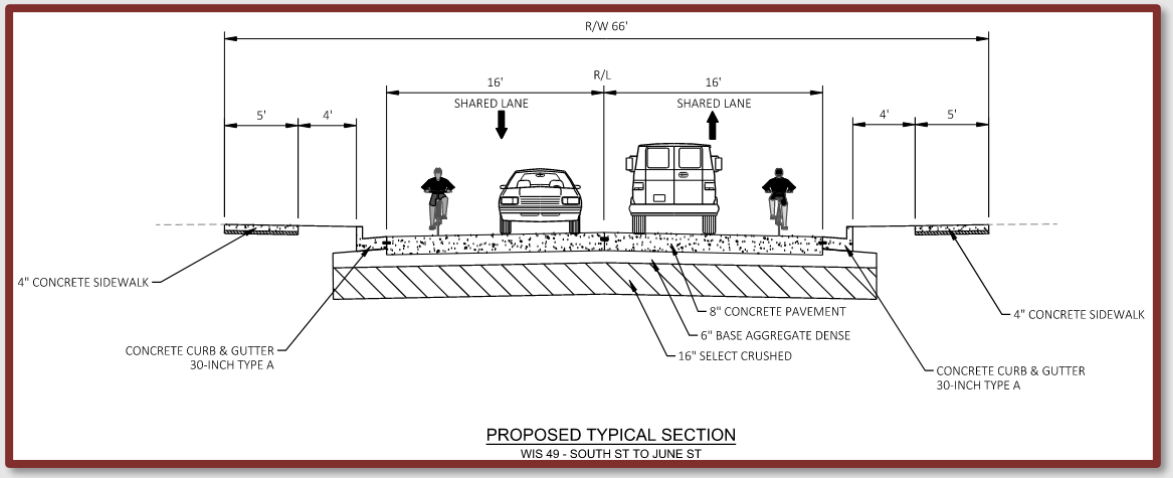

PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION
WIS 49 - SOUTH ST TO JUNE ST

Proposed Improvements

- Roadway
  - Terrace
    - Due to 3-foot pavement excavation and utility impacts, there will be tree and tree root impacts
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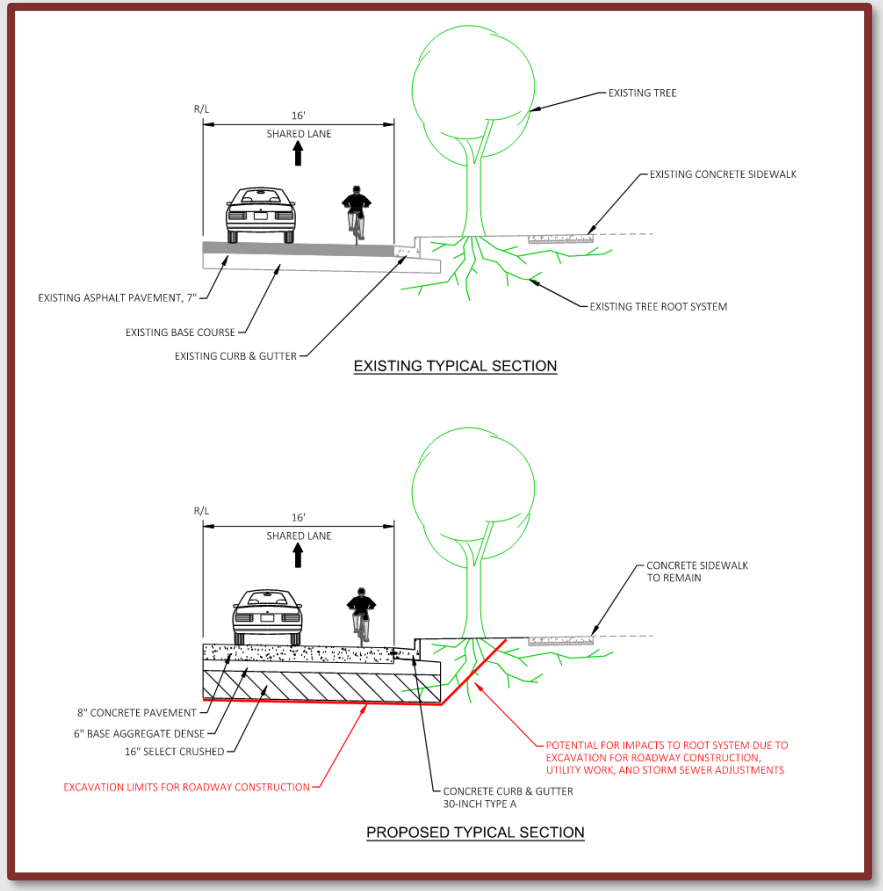
    - Existing lighting will be evaluated for impacts during the design phase



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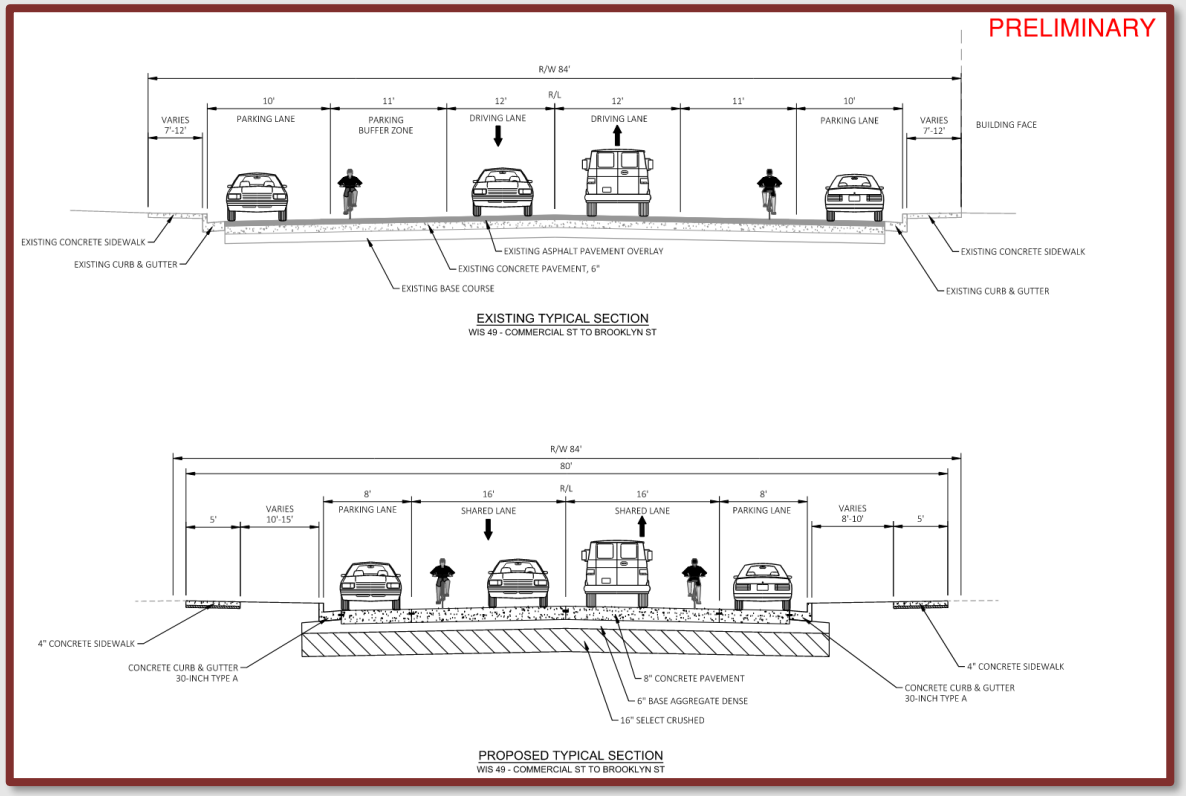
Proposed Improvements

- Narrow Roadway
  - Fox River Bridge to Washington St
    - 16-ft travel and 8-ft parking lanes
    - Terrace width widened
  - South Street to June Street
    - 16-ft travel lanes
    - New grass terrace



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- Municipal facility improvements
  - City sewer/water are deteriorating and outdated
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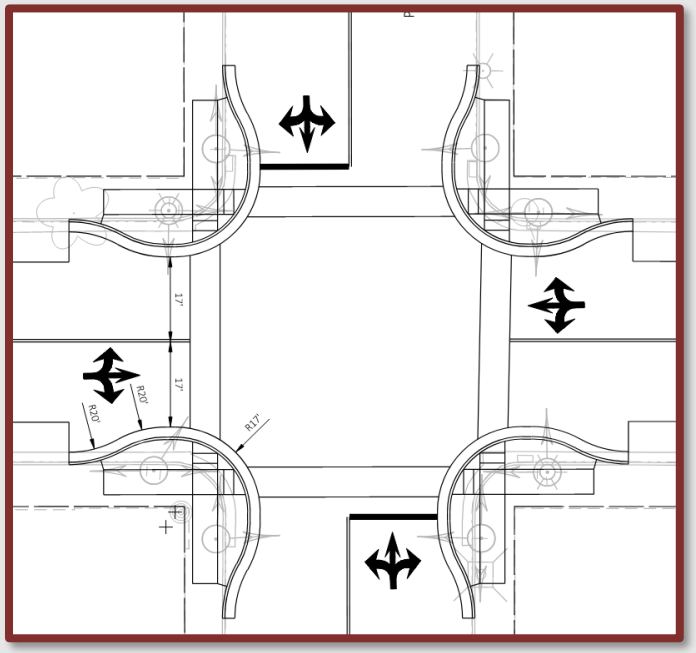
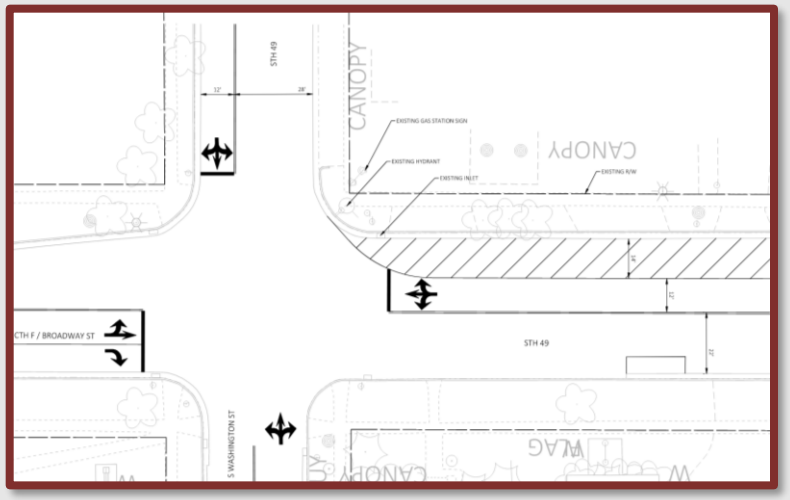
  - Update existing curb ramps to meet current ADA standards as feasible
  - Replace/add crosswalks at most intersections



Proposed Improvements

- Washington Street
  - Improve truck turning movements
  - Evaluate Flashing LED Stop Sign
  - Install High Visibility Crosswalk

Alternative #1



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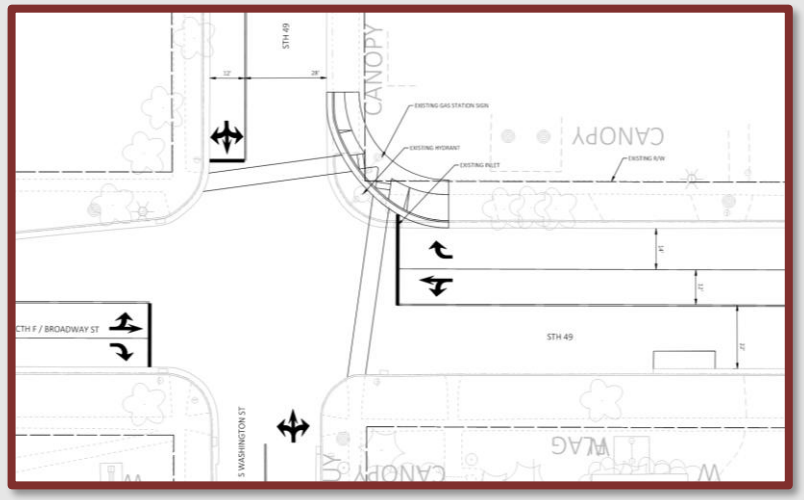
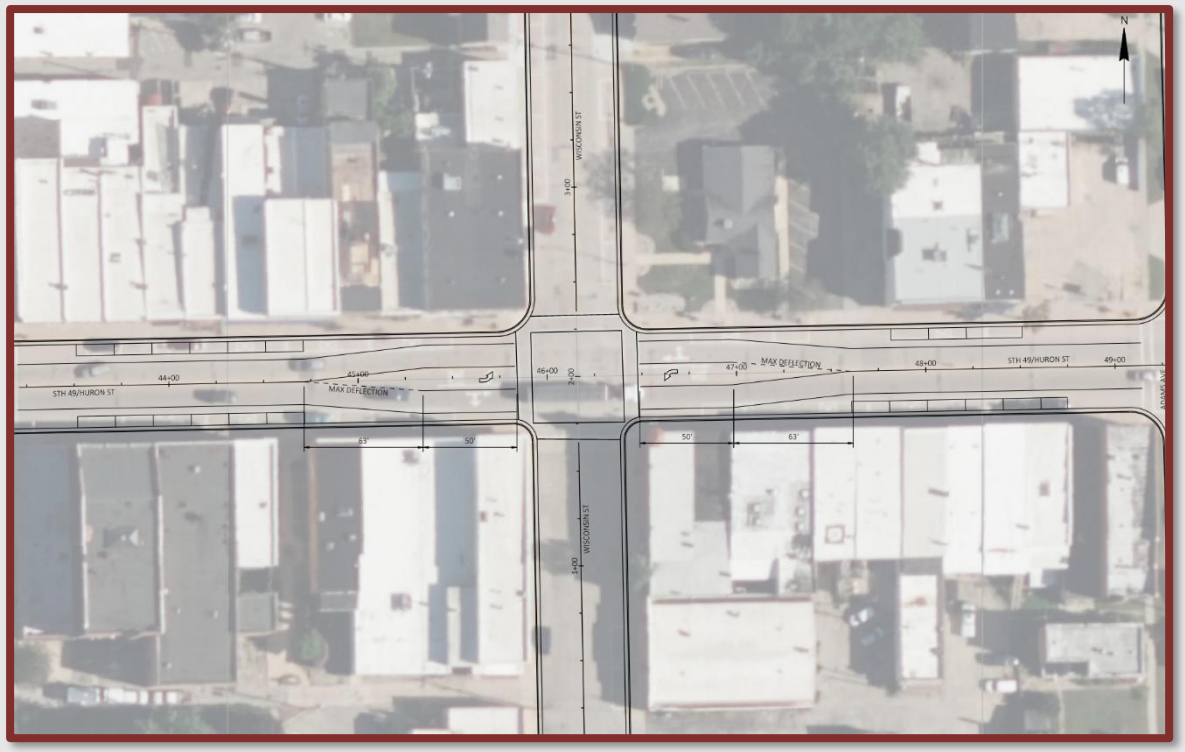


Proposed Improvements

- Pearl Street
  - Remove traffic signals
  - Stop sign control on Pearl Street
  - Evaluate bump-outs
- Wisconsin Street
  - Evaluate traffic signals/stop control
  - Anticipate new traffic signals and pedestrian push buttons



Proposed Improvements

- Huron/Spring Street Intersection
  - Improve truck turning movements
  - Replace traffic signals and pedestrian push button
  - Mark new crosswalks
  - Firefighter's Park Impacts
    - Section 4f/6f coordination

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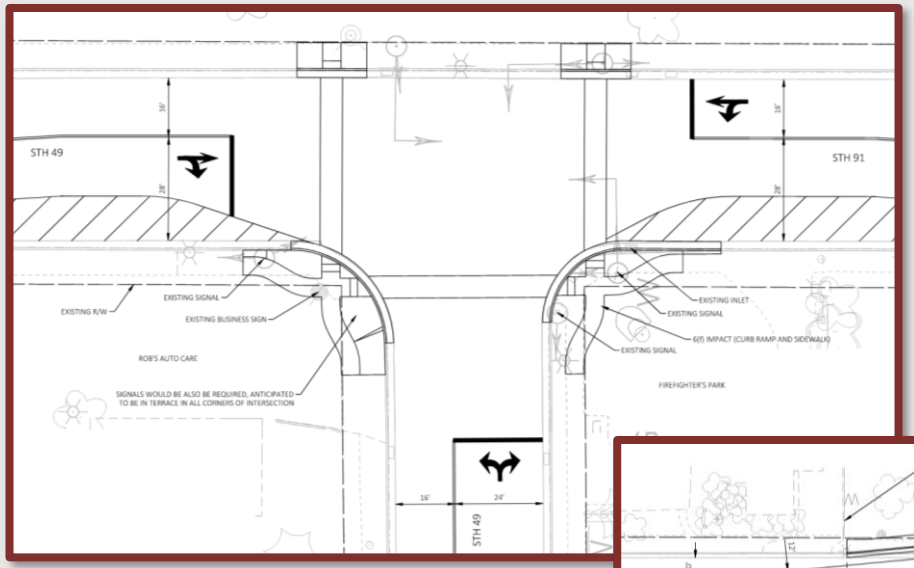

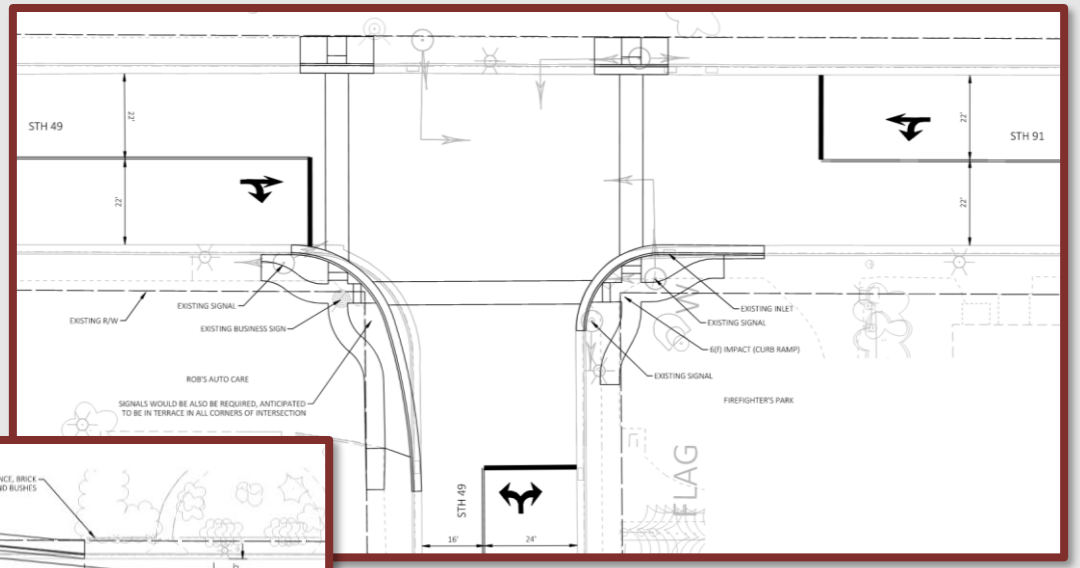

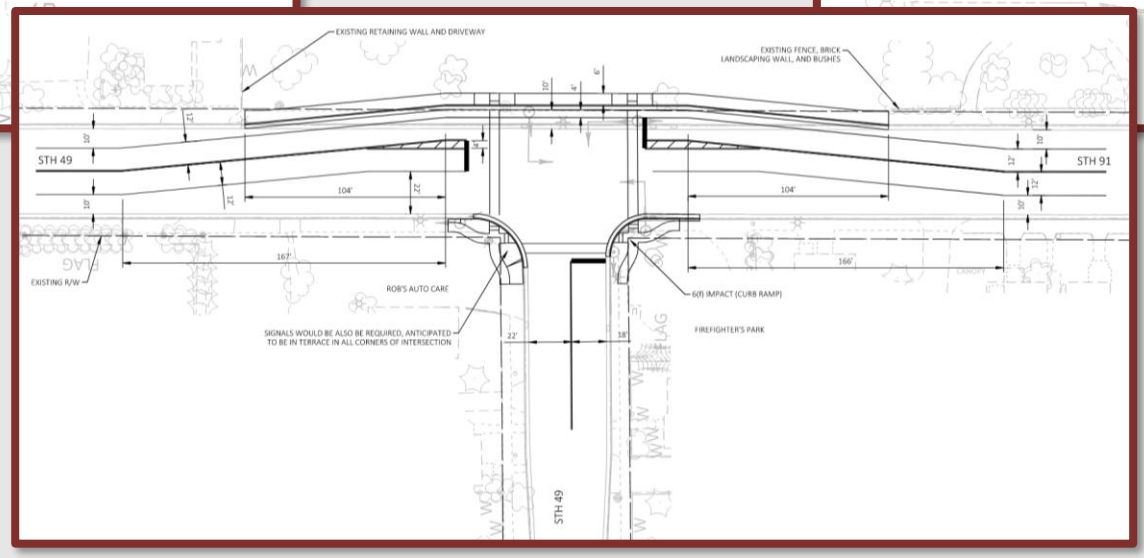

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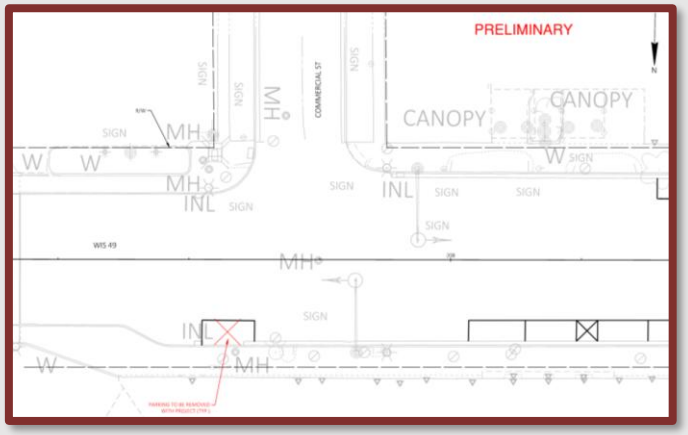

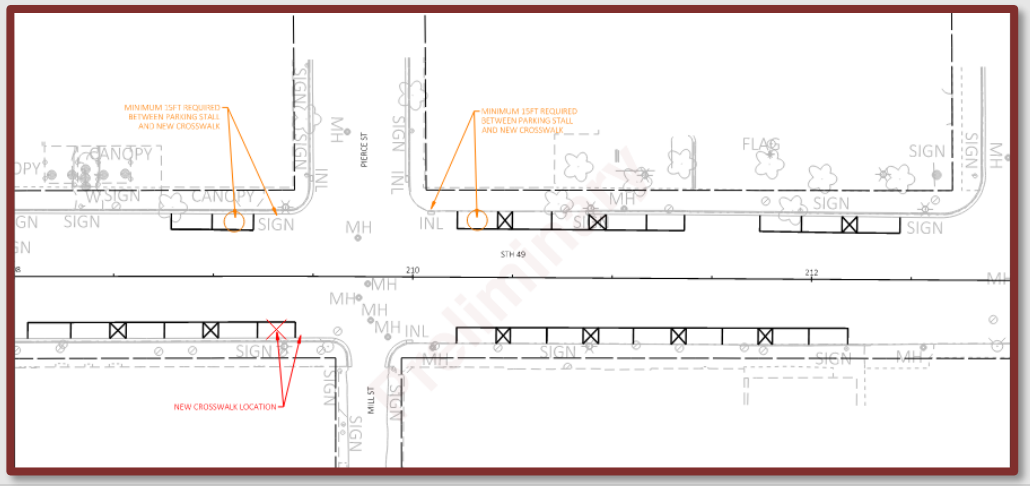

Traffic Control / Traffic Impacts

- Construction
  - Currently scheduled for 2030
- Road Closure
  - WIS 49 will be closed to through traffic during construction and detoured WIS 21-WIS 73-WIS 23
  - Access to business/residents/emergency vehicles will be maintained
  - Coordination for postmaster, garbage, bus routes, etc.
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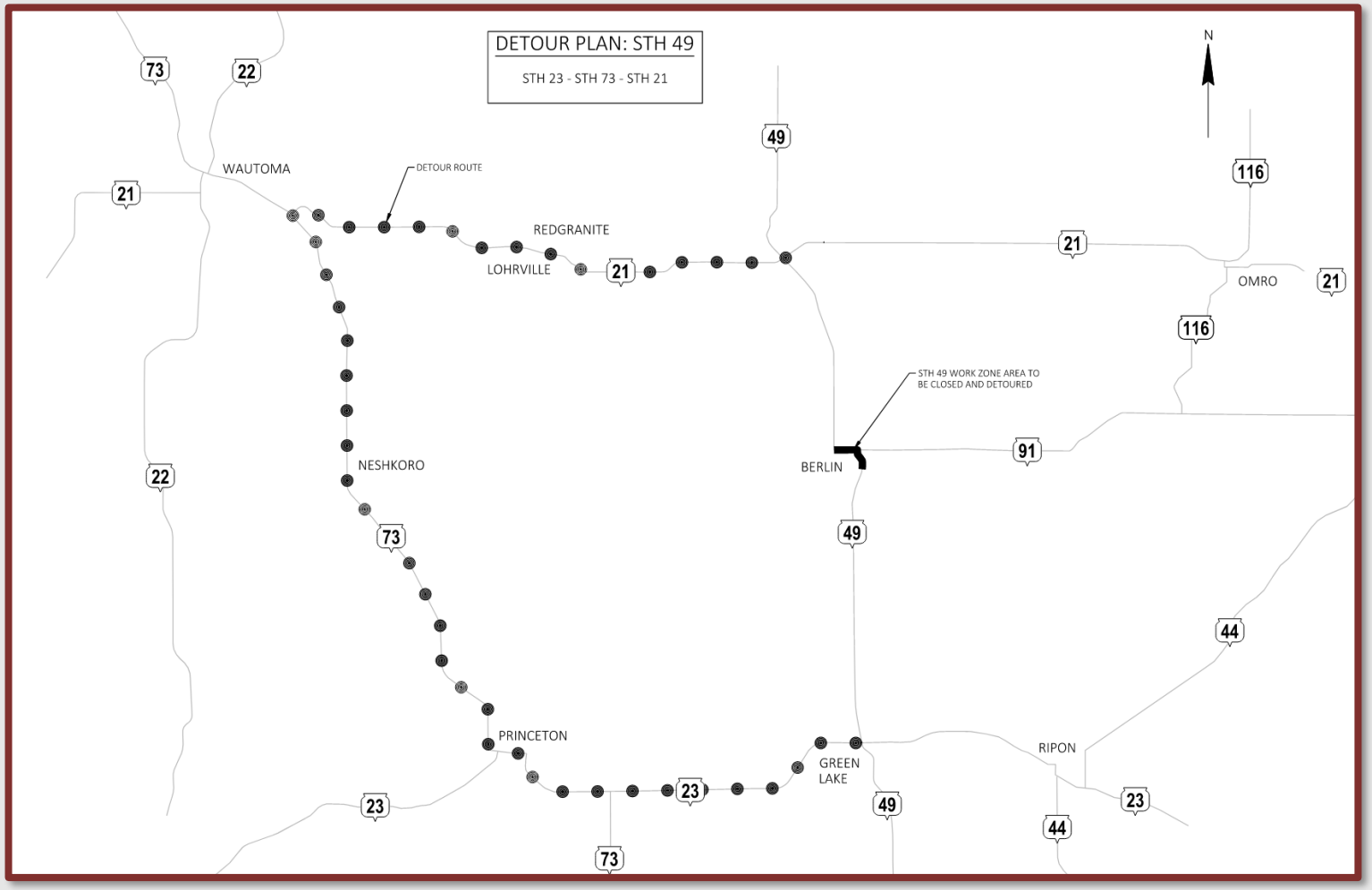

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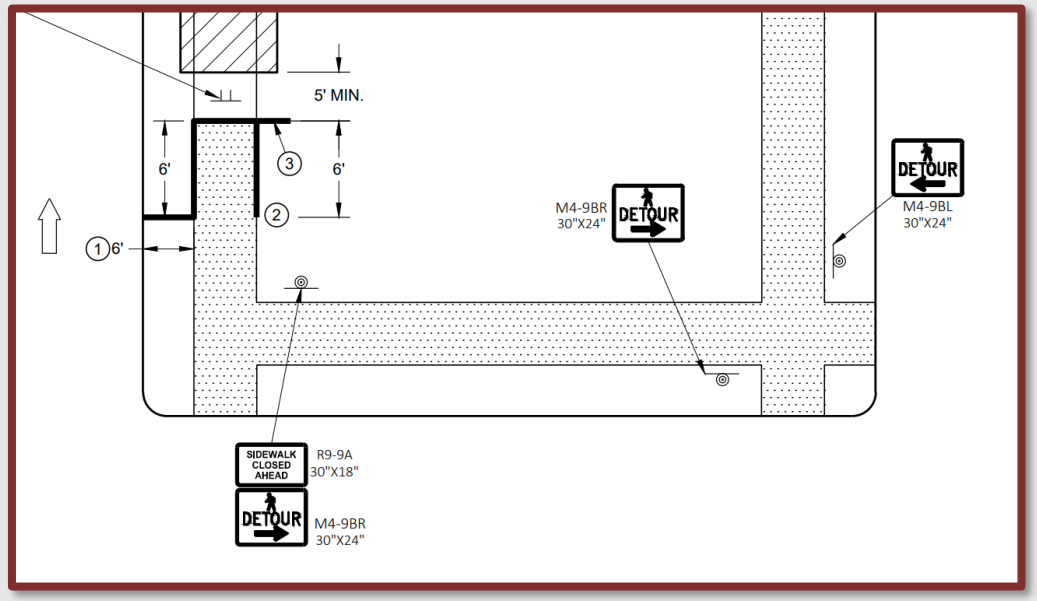

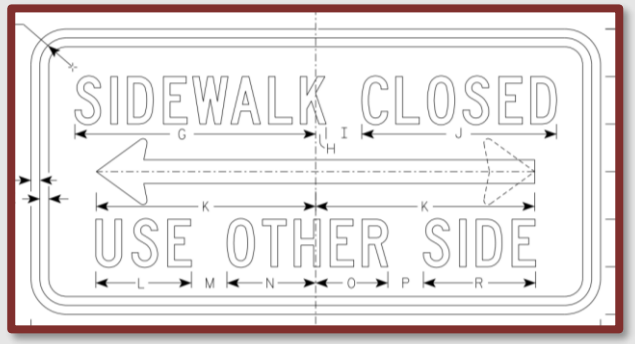

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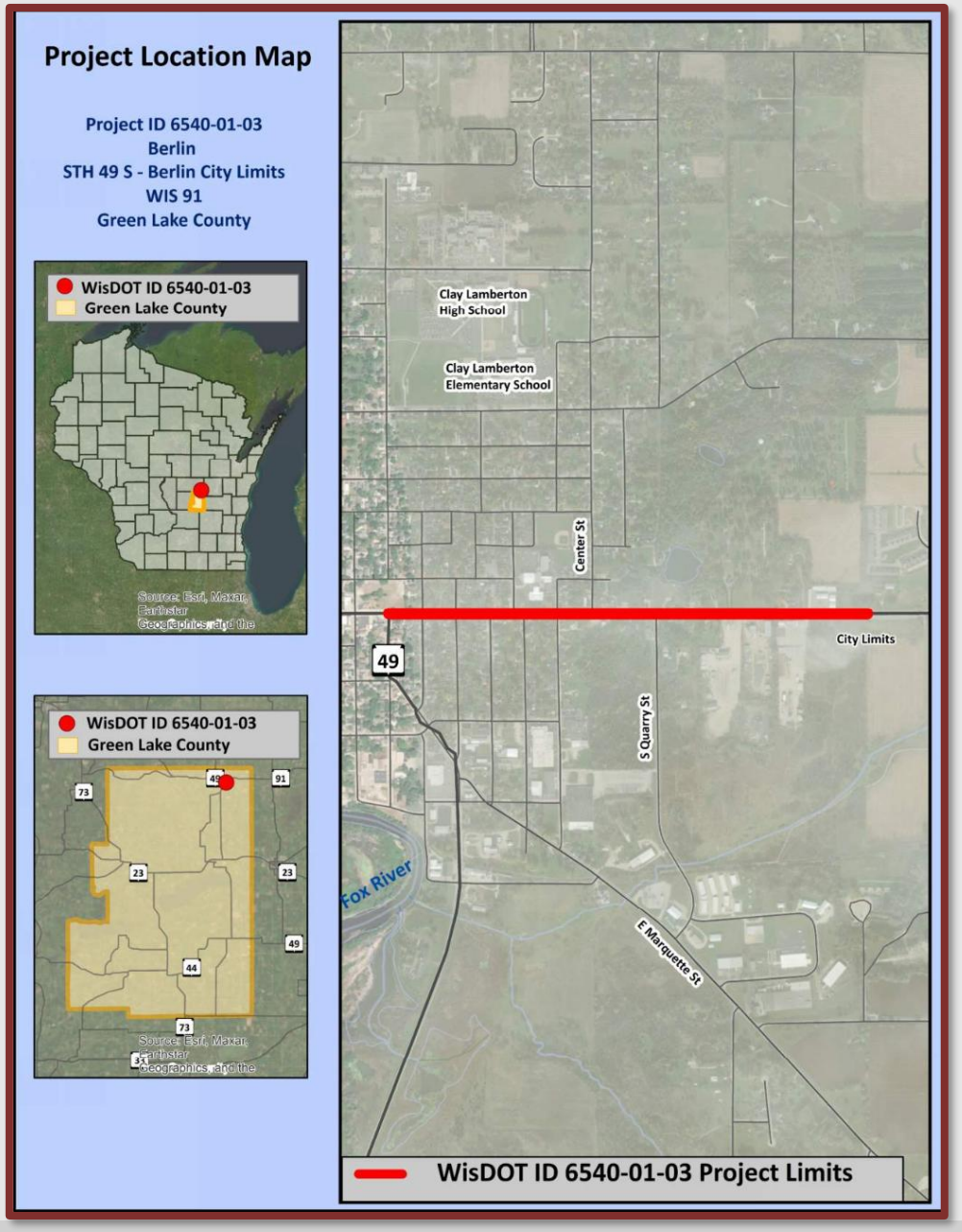
  - Length: 0.7 miles



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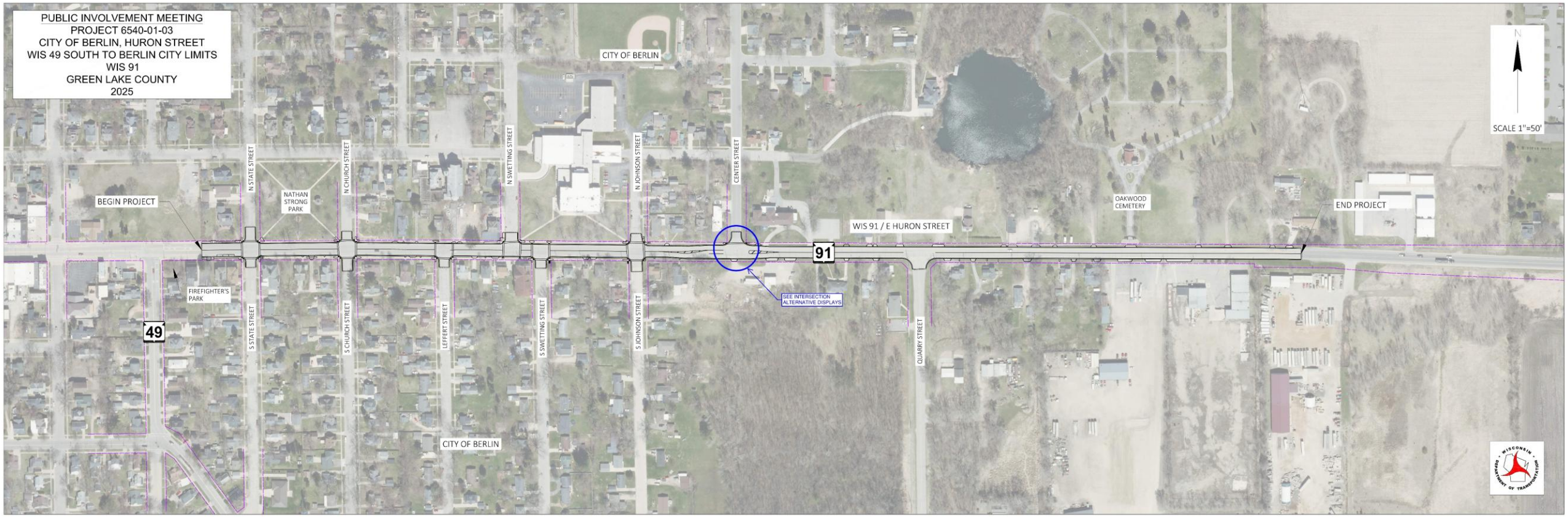

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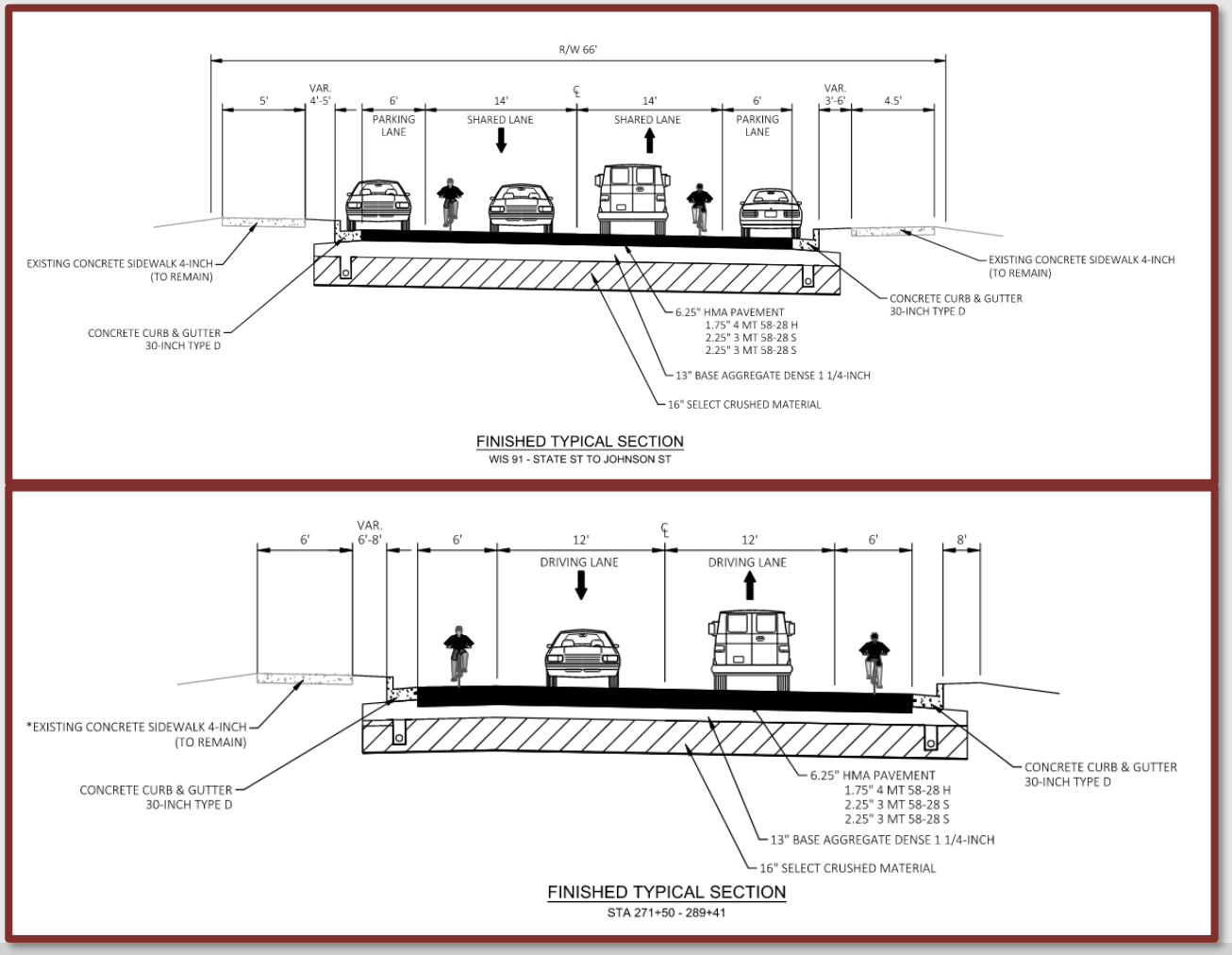

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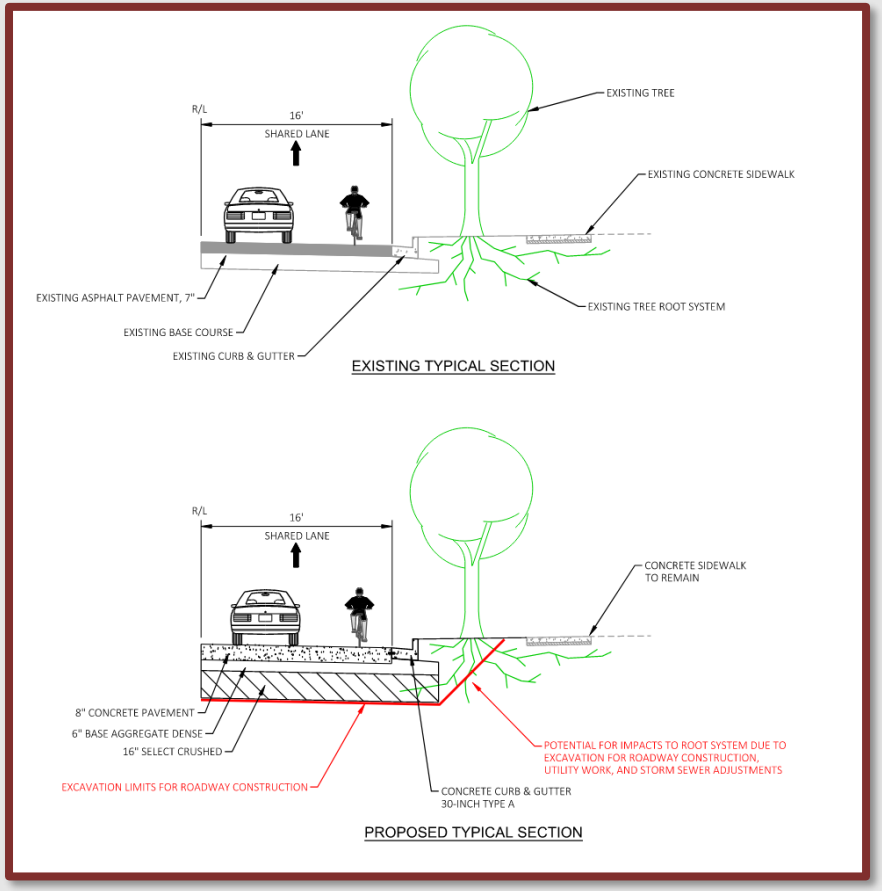

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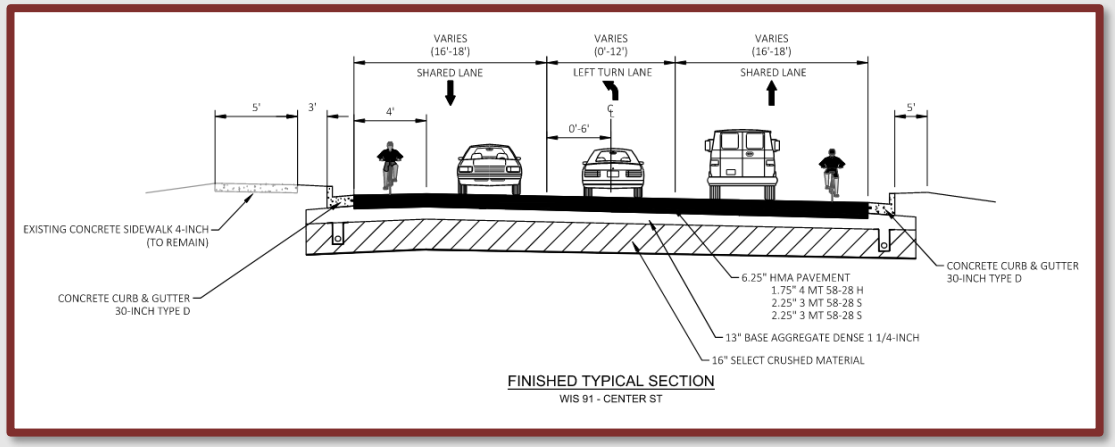
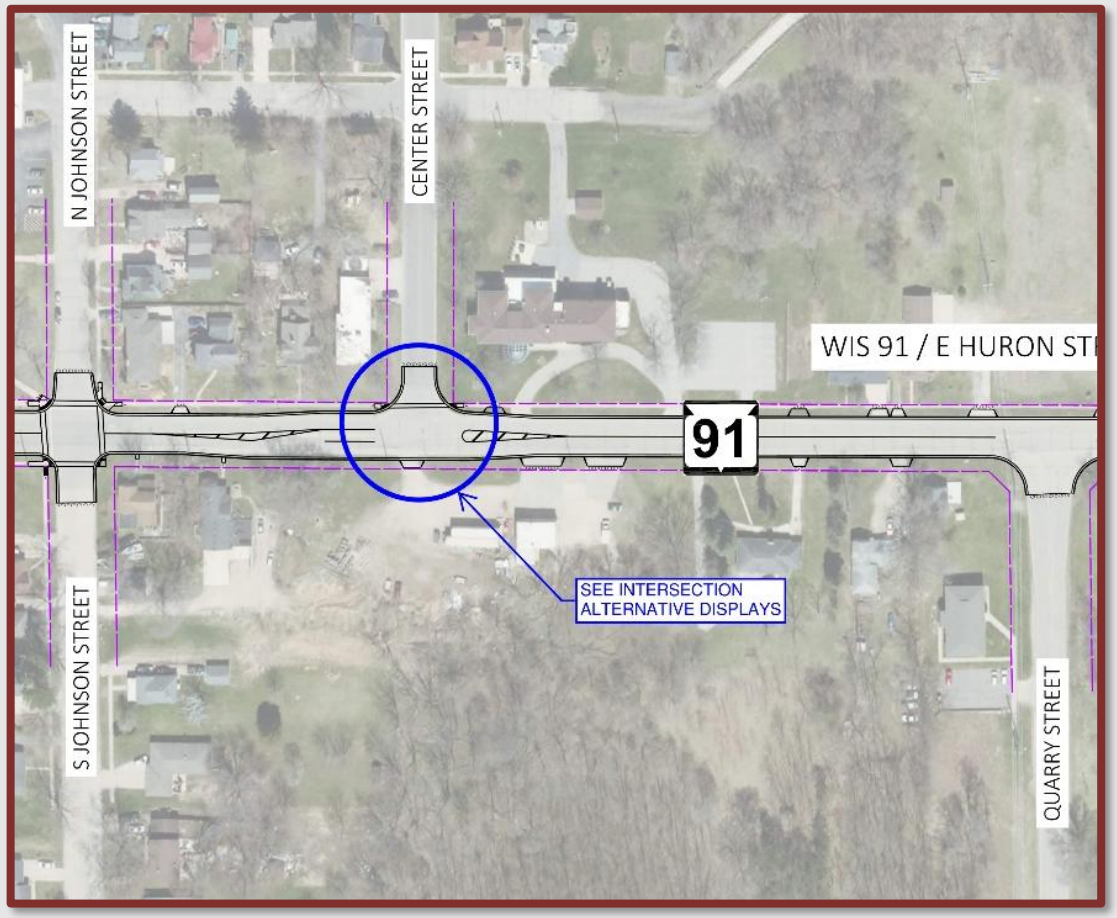
- Center Street Turn Lane
  - High rear-end crash rate
  - Add WIS 91 EB left turn lane





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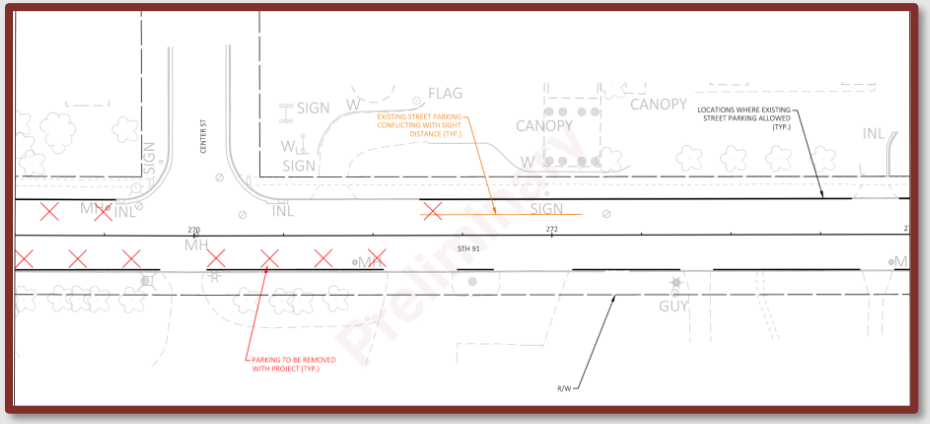

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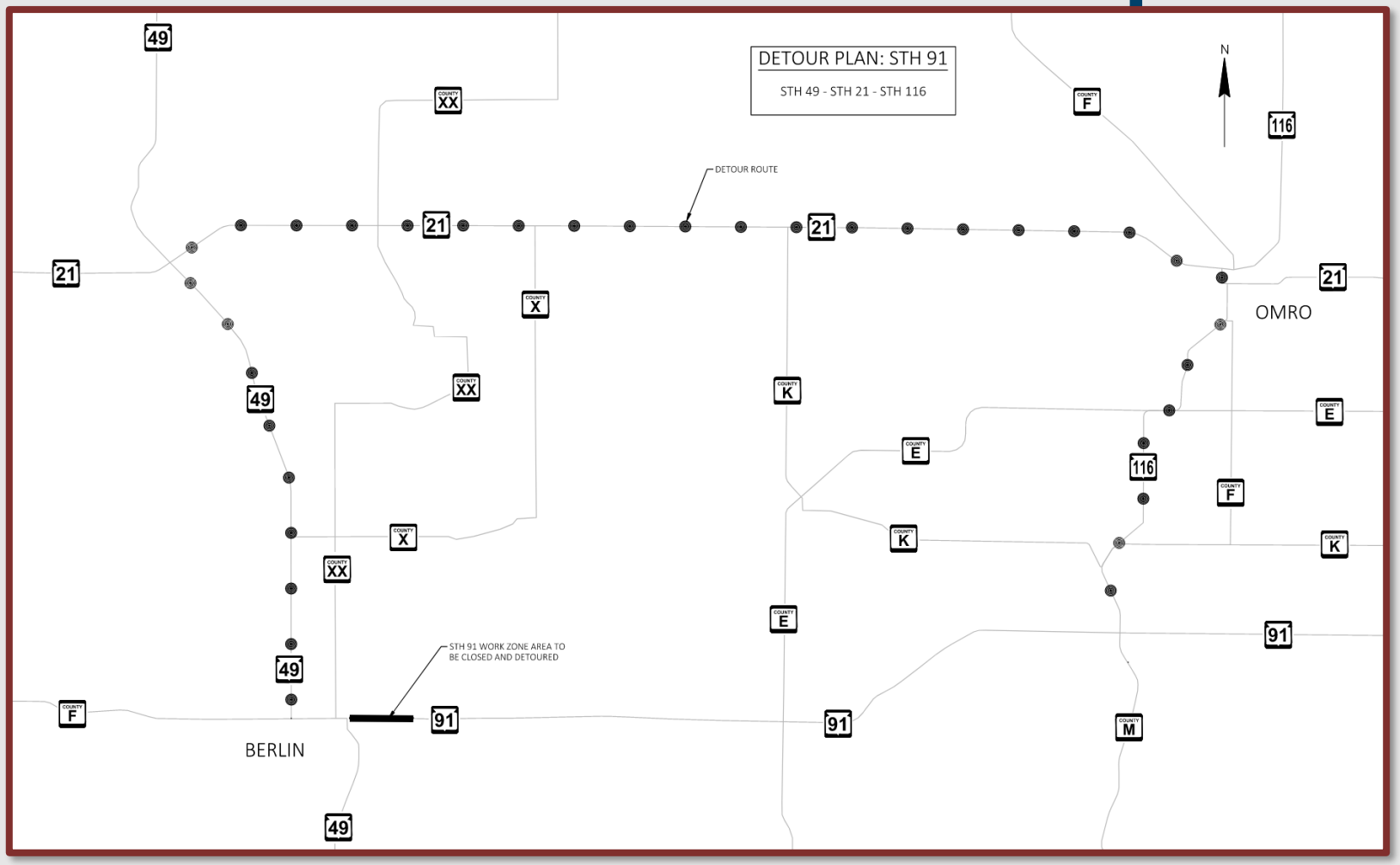

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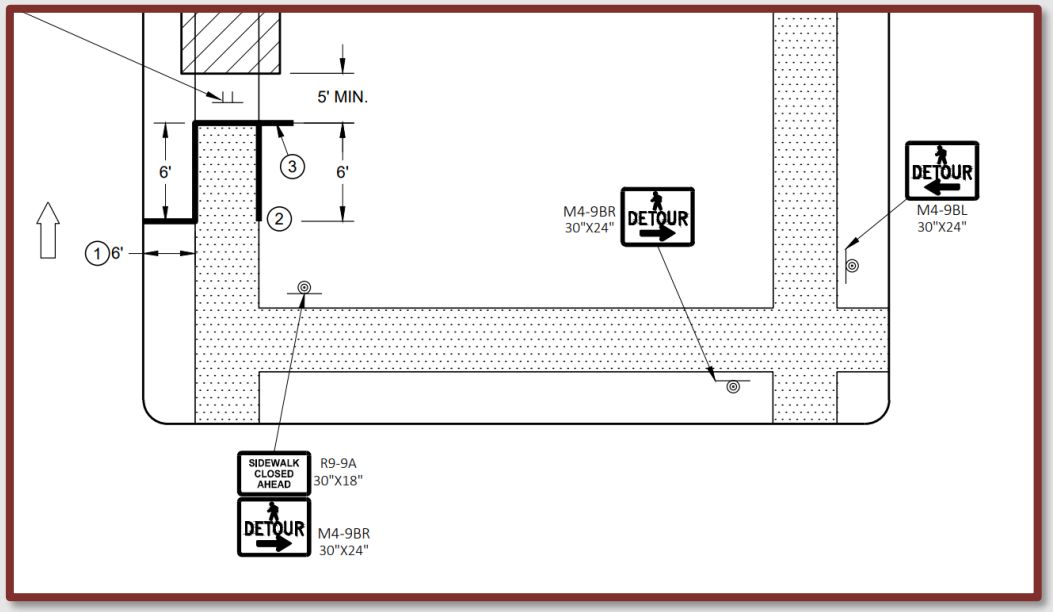

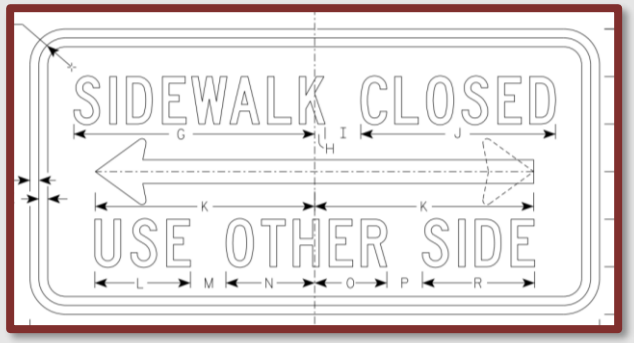

Real Estate

- Right of way and temporary easements are required
  - Permanent right of way may be needed for updates to curb ramps
  - Temporary easements will be required for curb ramps, driveway, and utility connections
- City of Berlin will acquire real estate
  - The real estate acquisition process is anticipated to begin
    - WIS 91: 2026
    - WIS 49: 2027
  - A landowner rights pamphlet is available on the website.

Schedule/Next Steps

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• *Public Involvement Meeting #1*	*June 19, 2025*
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Business Coordination

- In This Together Program
  - https://wisconsindot.gov/pages/projects/in-together/default.aspx
  - Tips, tools and resources
  - Business coordination guide
- Project team is here to help
  - What information would help you…
    - Inform customers about the project
    - Coordinate with suppliers
    - Communicate with employees

Public Involvement

- Public comment period will be held until July 11, 2025
  - Via email or phone

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Questions