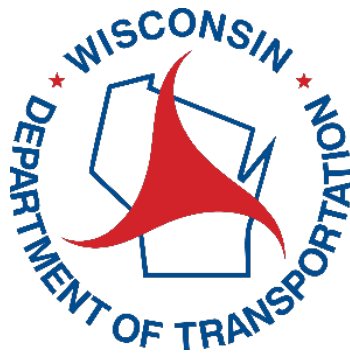


# Public Involvement Handout

**US 151  
Chilton - Valders  
Irish Road Intersection  
Calumet County**

**Project ID: 4100-43-00**



**March 2025**

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/151irish/default.aspx>

*Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to your feedback.*

### **Purpose of handout**

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements at the US 151 and Irish Road intersection in the City of Chilton, Calumet County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed improvements, describe the potential impacts it would have on the community, and offer an opportunity for public comment.

### **Project location**

The intersection of US 151 and Irish Road is located on the eastern side of Chilton, Calumet County. The following map shows the approximate project limits.



### **Project purpose and need**

The purpose of the project is to improve vehicle safety at the intersection of US 151 and Irish Road. There is a history of crashes at this intersection, and it has qualified for federal Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP) funding.

The needs for the proposed improvements are the number of crashes at the intersection, particularly right-angle crashes, and traffic volumes. Eleven crashes occurred at the intersection from 2018 to 2022 and 82 percent of these crashes were right-angle crashes. The wide five-lane cross section of US 151 at the Irish Road intersection creates long crossing distances and likely contributes to the right-angle crash trend.

US 151 transitions to a two-lane cross section directly east of the Irish Road intersection. Design year traffic volumes on US 151 at the intersection are below 5,000 vehicles per day (vpd). A four-lane cross section is typically warranted when roadway volumes reach 16,000 vpd, meaning the traffic volumes through the US 151 and Irish Road intersection do not support the need for four through lanes.

### **Proposed improvements**

This is an intersection improvement project. The proposed action is to reconstruct the intersection as a single-lane roundabout. Other proposed activities include:

- New concrete and asphalt pavement
- Replacement of existing sidewalk with an 8-foot path at the roundabout
- Upgrade lighting at the intersection
- Upgrade pedestrian crossings
- New pavement marking and signing
- Utility relocation

### **Anticipated benefits**

Upon completion, the roundabout is anticipated to reduce crashes at the US 151 and Irish Road intersection, particularly right-angle crashes. Motor vehicle speed on US 151 through the intersection would be anticipated to be reduced with the single lane roundabout.

### **Traffic Impacts**

US 151 will be open to traffic during construction with lane closures. There will be closures on the Irish Road approaches to the intersection to complete the north and south legs of the intersections. Only one side would be allowed to close at a time. There are nearby local routes that will be able to provide local resident and business access during these closures.

Access to adjacent properties and for first responders will be maintained during construction. Brief interruptions in access may occur temporarily at driveways. The contractor will be required to notify homeowners and businesses before construction.

### **Schedule**

- Environmental document: May 2025
- Real estate acquisition is anticipated to begin in early 2026
- Final design plans: August 2027
- Construction currently scheduled for 2028

### **Real estate**

Strips of additional right of way and/or temporary grading easements will be required along all roadways for this project to accommodate the roundabout geometrics and grading. WisDOT plans to begin real estate acquisition in early 2026.

### **Business Resource: WisDOT's In This Together program**

WisDOT recognizes businesses located in work zones or impacted by detour routes have special needs. WisDOT's In This Together program is offered to businesses, organizations, and community leaders as an idea source as they plan for road construction in their area. It includes promotional examples, case studies, and a specially designed Business Coordination Guide with information on:

- Planning ahead
- Staying informed
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at [www.wisconsindot.gov/Together](http://www.wisconsindot.gov/Together).

**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 and are welcomed and appreciated throughout the design process. Included at the end of this handout, as well as on the project website, is a comment form that may be used for written comments regarding the proposed improvements. You are encouraged to fill out this form and return using the pre-paid postage attached before April 11, 2025. Comments may also be submitted via email or phone to the contact listed below.

**Project contact**

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# WisDOT Highway Project Public Comment Form

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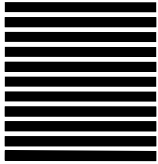
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