

Public Involvement Handout

**WIS 180
Marinette - Wausaukee
WIS 64 to COUNTY X / COUNTY X to US 141
Marinette County**

Project ID: 9670-18-00/9670-17-00



March 2025

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

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/WIS180/default.aspx>

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

Purpose of handout

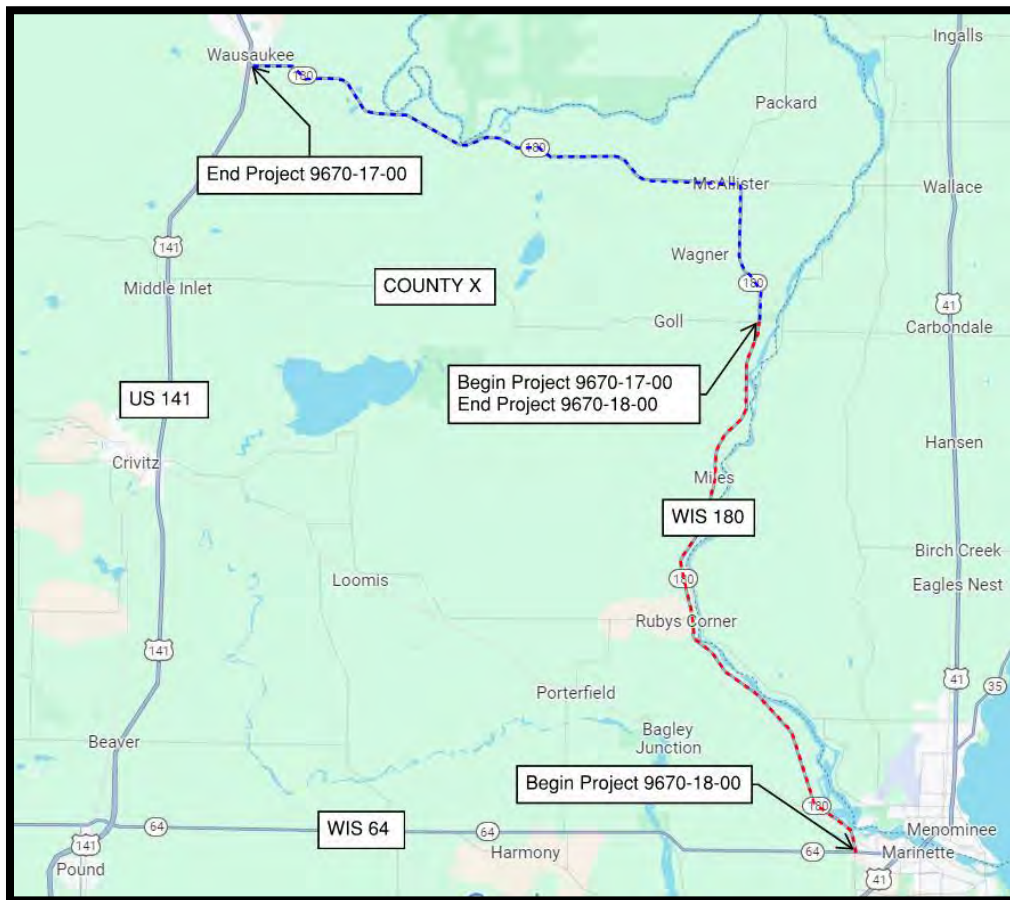
The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements on 14.5 miles of WIS 180 under Project ID 9670-18-00 and 15.84 miles of WIS 180 under Project ID 9670-17-00 in Marinette County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed improvements, describe the potential impacts it would have on the community, and offer an opportunity for public comment.

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 mailer attached. Comments may also be submitted via email or phone to any of the contacts listed below.

Project location

WIS 180 from WIS 64 to County X (Project 9670-18-00) and County X to US 141 (Project 9670-17-00) in Marinette County. Note: There is a separate culvert replacement project taking place between Marinette and Wausau in 2026.



Project purpose and need

The purpose of these resurface level improvements is to extend the life of the roadway by milling the existing pavement and overlaying it with new asphalt pavement. These projects are needed to address deterioration of the existing roadway. The existing pavement structure is showing signs of distress in the form of alligator cracking and longitudinal/transverse cracking. This distress leads to undesirable ride quality, deterioration of the underlying roadway base, and increased maintenance frequency and costs. Additionally, Project 9670-17-00 is needed to address the runoff the road crashes in the curves near Four Lakes Road and Old Highway C. Project 9670-18-00 is needed to update guardrail that needs replacement. Prior to both projects, Project ID 9670-18-50 will be removing the two Escanaba and Lake Superior Railroad crossings near the south limits of Project 9670-18-00 near the WIS 180 and WIS 64 intersection.

Anticipated benefits

Anticipated benefits include providing motorists with a smoother riding surface resulting in less wear on vehicles, extending the life of the pavement, and decreasing maintenance costs. Surface treatment in the curves near Four Lakes Rd and Old Hwy C and updated guardrail will improve safety for drivers. Eliminating the railroad crossings will remove the need for maintenance on both the roadway and railroad at the crossing locations.

Proposed improvements Project 9670-17-00

This is a resurfacing-level project. Proposed improvements include:

- Milling the top 2 inches of existing asphalt and replacing it with 2 inches of new asphalt
- Adding high friction surface treatment near Four Lakes Rd and Old Hwy C
- Adding mainline and shoulder rumble strips
- Replacing pavement marking

Traffic impacts Project 9670-17-00

Flagging operations will be utilized to keep traffic open during construction.

Schedule Project 9670-17-00

- Environmental document: May 2025
- Project design: June 2025
- Final Design: May 2027
- Construction currently scheduled in 2029
 - Could be advanced to 2028 if funding becomes available

Real estate Project 9670-17-00

No real estate is required for this project.

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- Environmental document: December 2025
- Project design: June 2027
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- Construction currently scheduled in 2030

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No real estate is required for this project.

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 business, 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
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses
- Temporary business signing during construction
 - Businesses impacted by highway closures and detours will have an opportunity for temporary business signage during construction.

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at www.wisconsindot.gov/Together.

Public input/comments

Please submit comments to WisDOT using one of the following methods so that we receive them by the comment date to be consider during design.

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this project handout and mail to WisDOT.
2. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below.
3. Call the contact below.

Project contact

Kurt Vogel, PE, Project Manager
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 Green Bay, WI 54304
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WisDOT Highway Project Public Comment Form

Project ID 9670-17-00/9670-18-00

WIS 180

Marinette to Wausaukee

Marinette County

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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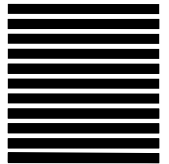
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Attention: Kurt Vogel, P.E.

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