

Public Involvement Handout

**WIS 22
Oconto Falls – Oconto
E Highland Drive to US 141
Oconto County**

Project ID: 9180-36-00



January 2026

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

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/22oconto918036/default.aspx>

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

Purpose of handout

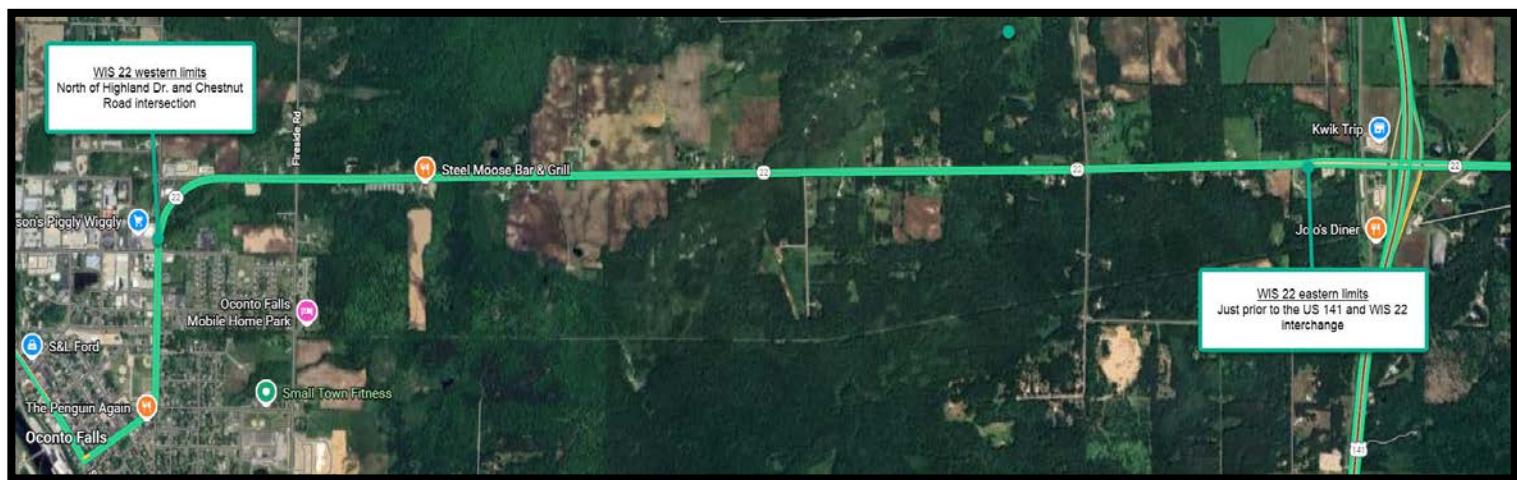
The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements on 4.25 miles of WIS 22 under Project ID 9180-36-00 in Oconto County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed improvements, describe the potential impacts 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 22 from East Highland Drive in Oconto Falls east to near US 141 in Oconto County.



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. This project is needed to address deterioration of the existing roadway. The existing pavement structure is showing signs of distress in the form of longitudinal/transverse cracking. This distress leads to undesirable ride quality, deterioration of the underlying roadway base, and increased maintenance frequency and costs. Additionally, the project is needed to address the paved shoulder width for bicycle accommodations as WIS 22 is on the state bicycle route map. The project will also address some areas of poor ditch drainage in two areas. The state park and ride lot south of WIS 22 on Duarme Road will also be milled and resurfaced.

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. Widening the paved shoulders will improve safety for drivers as well as multi-modal (bicycle) users. The Duarne Road Park and Ride lot will provide better visibility for ADA accessible parking areas.

Proposed improvements

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
- Widening the paved shoulders from 3' to 5' for bicycle accommodation
- Perpetuation of the existing mainline and shoulder rumble strips
- Replacing pavement marking
- Minor ditch cleaning in two locations to maintain storm water flowing.
- Park and Ride lot new asphalt surface, pavement markings, signing for ADA parking areas

Traffic impacts

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

Schedule Project

- Environmental document: May 2027
- Project design: June 2027
- Final Design: May 2028
- Construction currently scheduled in 2030
 - Could be advanced to 2029 if funding becomes available

Real estate Project

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

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WITH PREPAID MAILER**

WisDOT Highway Project Public Comment Form

Project ID 9180-36-00
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Please place this form in the comment box or mail by March 6, 2026, to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to kurt.vogel@dot.wi.gov. 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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

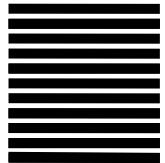
Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and signatures is not confidential and may be subject to disclosure upon request, pursuant to the requirements of the Wisconsin open records law, sections 19.31 - 19.39 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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