

Public Involvement Handout

WIS 21 Omro - Oshkosh Winnebago County

Project IDs: 6180-30-00 & 6180-31-00



October 2024

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

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/Wis21/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 along roughly 8 miles of WIS 21 between Omro and Oshkosh in Winnebago 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.

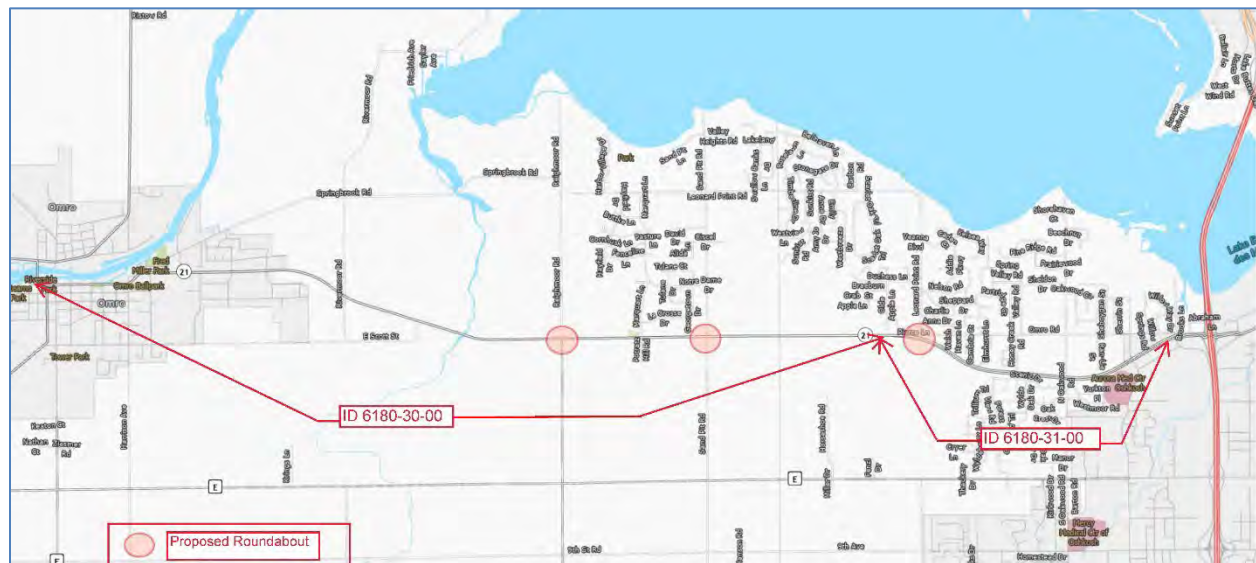
Public input/comments

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

Two tied projects (IDs 6180-30-00 & 6180-31-00) along WIS 21 from the Fox River in downtown Omro to just west of Washburn Street in the City of Oshkosh in Winnebago County.

- ID 6180-30-00 – Extends from just south of the WIS 21 bridge over the Fox River to just west of Leonard Point Road
- ID 6180-31-00 – Pavement repair/overlay from just west of Leonard Point Road to just west of North Washburn Street roundabout



Project purpose and need

The main purpose of the projects along WIS 21 is to repair and protect the existing concrete pavement, replace outdated beam guard, upgrade curb ramps to current standards, and investigate intersection safety improvements.

Anticipated benefits

Extend life of pavement and decrease future maintenance costs, provide a smoother riding surface resulting in less vehicle wear, improve safety at multiple intersections through the corridor that have identified crash issues, improve safety by replacing deteriorated beam guard and updating pavement marking, and upgrade curb ramps in City of Omro for pedestrians.

Proposed improvements

This is a resurface-level project. Proposed improvements along WIS 21 include:

- Concrete pavement repair and asphalt overlay from Fox River Bridge to east city of Omro limits and from Leonard Point Road to just west of Washburn Street
- Concrete pavement repair only from east city of Omro limits to Leonard Point Road
- Upgrading curb ramps within City of Omro for ADA compliance
- Multi-lane roundabout at the Leonard Point Road intersection
- Single-lane roundabouts at the County FF/Reighmoor Road and Sand Pit Road intersections
- Slotted left-turn lanes at the Oakwood Road and Westhaven Drive intersections
- Replacing beam guard along corridor
- New pavement marking throughout corridor

Traffic impacts

WIS 21 will be closed to traffic throughout the project, and the posted detour will follow WIS 116 to US 45 to I-41. Access will be maintained for local residents, businesses, and emergency vehicles.

Schedule

- Virtual Local Officials Meeting: October 10, 2024
- Virtual Public Involvement Meeting: October 24, 2024
- Real estate acquisition is ongoing and will be completed by Spring 2025
- Design is ongoing and will continue through Summer 2025
- Utility relocations expected to begin in Summer 2025
- Construction is currently scheduled for 2026
 - Expected to extend from April 2026 – November 2026

Real estate

Real estate acquisition in the form of permanent right-of-way acquisition and temporary easements (TLEs) is anticipated at the following locations:

- At the WIS 21 intersections with County FF/Reighmoor Road, Sand Pit Road, and Leonard Point Road for the proposed roundabouts
- At most intersections within the City of Omro for curb ramp upgrades

A member of our WisDOT real estate team will contact any affected property owners where real estate acquisition is required.

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
- Staying informed
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at www.wisconsindot.gov/Together. Note: Businesses impacted by highway closures and detours will have an opportunity for temporary business signage during construction.

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 document 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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WisDOT Highway Project Public Comment Form

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Please place this form in the comment box or mail by November 8, 2024 to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to william.bertrand@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)

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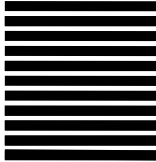
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