

**Menomonie – Eau Claire**

**Chippewa River Bridges (B-18-23 and 24)**

**Chippewa River Overflow Bridges (B-18-44 and 45)**

**Eau Claire County**

**Public Involvement Presentation**

**Spring 2025**



Eastbound I-94 bridge over Chippewa River

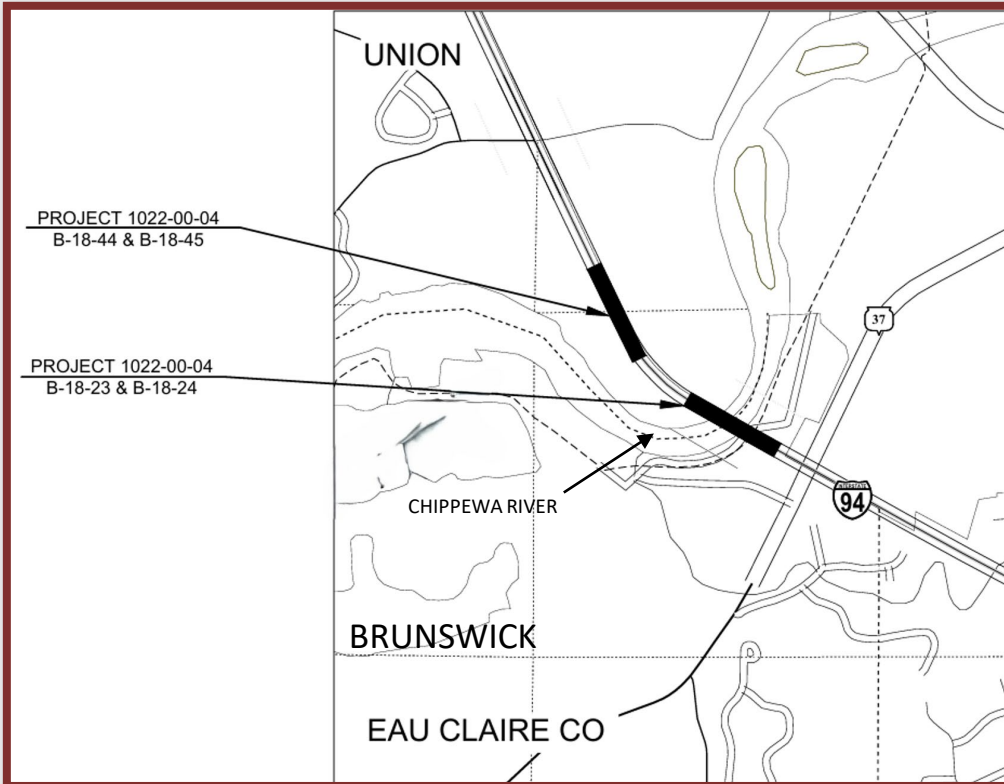
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# Project Location



# Purpose and Need

- Purpose: Maintain safe crossings over the Chippewa River and its overflow
- Need: Address structural deficiencies at all four structures



I-94, Chippewa River Bridges: Left, eastbound, and right, westbound



I-94, Chippewa River Overflow Bridges: Left, westbound, and right, eastbound





# Proposed Improvements

## I-94 Eastbound, Chippewa River Bridge

- Rehabilitate the existing bridge:
  - Replace abutment backwalls
  - Replace expansion joints
  - Overlay the deck with concrete
  - Make concrete surface repairs at abutments



# Proposed Improvements

## I-94 Westbound, Chippewa River Bridge

- Rehabilitate the existing bridge:
  - Replace abutment backwalls
  - Replace expansion joints
  - Overlay the deck with concrete
  - Place a high-friction surface treatment on the deck





# Proposed Improvements

## I-94 Westbound, Chippewa River Overflow Bridge

- Rehabilitate the existing bridge:
  - Replace abutment backwalls
  - Replace expansion joints
  - Place concrete deck overlay
  - Clean and paint bearings



# Proposed Improvements

## I-94 Eastbound, Chippewa River Overflow Bridge

- Rehabilitate the existing bridge:
  - Replace abutment backwalls
  - Replace expansion joints
  - Overlay the deck with concrete
  - Make concrete surface repairs on substructures





# Traffic Control

- Median crossovers will be used at each end of the project limits and at the WIS 37 ramps to shift traffic from one side of I-94 to the other.
- The side with traffic will carry one lane of traffic in each direction as construction is performed on the two structures on the other side.
- Upon completion of construction of the first pair of structures, bidirectional traffic will be shifted to the other side of I-94 while work is performed on the remaining two bridges.

# Project Schedule

- Public Comment Solicitation: Spring 2025
- Preliminary Design: October 2025
- Plans, Specifications and Estimate Submittal: August 2027
- Bid Solicitation: Dec. 14, 2027
- Construction: Spring 2028 to summer 2029





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# Public Comment

WisDOT is accepting public comments on the proposed project through June 2, 2025, via:

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