

Project Handout

WIS 64 WIS 13 to Lincoln County Line Taylor County

Project ID: 9000-00-06/76



Fall 2025

Purpose and Need

Last resurfaced in 2009, the existing WIS 64 driving lanes and paved shoulders between WIS 13 in Medford and the Lincoln County line are showing signs of distress and need to be resurfaced to maintain safety and mobility for the traveling public.

Proposed Improvements

WisDOT is proposing to improve 14.28 miles of the WIS 64 by:

- Resurfacing the WIS 64 driving lanes and paved shoulders with hot-mix asphalt.
- Installing centerline rumble strips.
- Making girder and abutment repairs on the structure 0.75 mile east of Oriole Drive (B-60-0020).
- Relacing a wing wall on the structure near Evergreen Cemetery (C-60-1112).
- Making concrete surface repairs on the structure west of County C North (C-60-1099).
- Extending the culvert ends on the structure 0.3 mile east of Mink Drive (C-60-1100).
- Completing culvert pipe work, including cleaning, regrading ditches and replacing pipe.
- Clearing the roadside.
- Replacing guardrail.
- Upgrading sidewalk curb ramps at South 9th Street and One Weather Shield Plaza.
- Completing pavement marking, erosion control and any other necessary incidentals.

Reasons for Improvements

- The existing driving lane and paved shoulder surfaces are nearing the end of their service lives.
- Structure features are showing signs of deterioration that could present safety concerns for travelers if not addressed.
- Guardrail along WIS 64 has been identified that does not meet current requirements.
- A culvert pipe is failing and several culvert pipes, including ditches to the pipes, are blocked by debris.
- Existing curb ramps do not meet current requirements.

WisDOT chose these improvements due the age/existing condition of the site facilities, the safety concerns the existing site facilities present if not addressed and the increased future costs of the site facilities if not appropriately addressed.

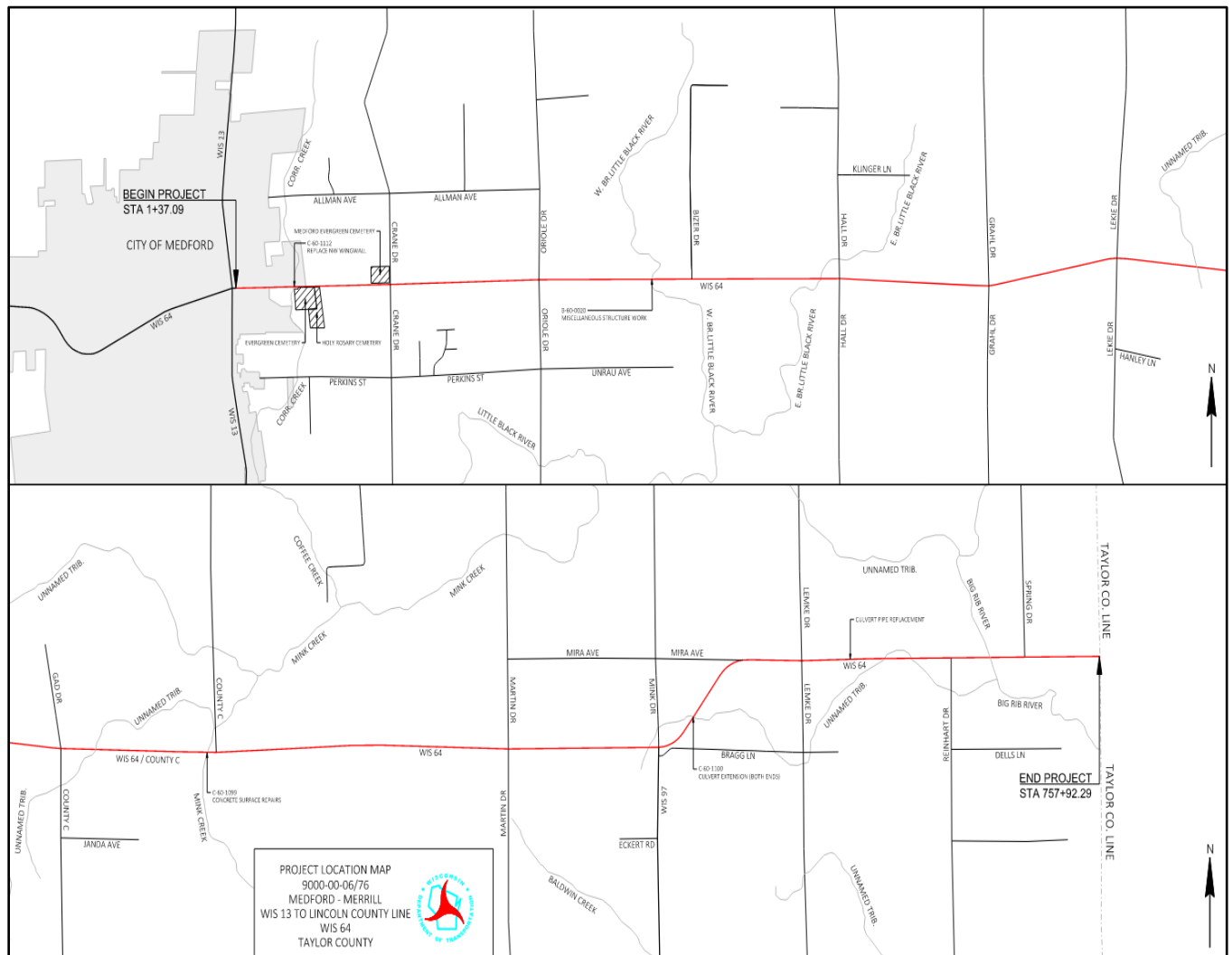
Safety and Overall Benefits

- New driving lane and paved shoulder surfaces will provide improved ride quality and safe travel movements.
- Repairs to structures will maintain safe travel movements and extend their service lives.
- Guardrail will meet current requirements (i.e., crash tested, meets length requirements at each individual location).
- Improvements to culvert pipes and ditches will improve the drainage system.
- New curb ramps will meet current requirements and provide improved pedestrian crossing movements.

Status of Studies/Surveys

- Mapping Survey - Completed
- Historical and Archaeological Studies - Completed
- Environmental Study – Ongoing
- Design Study – Ongoing

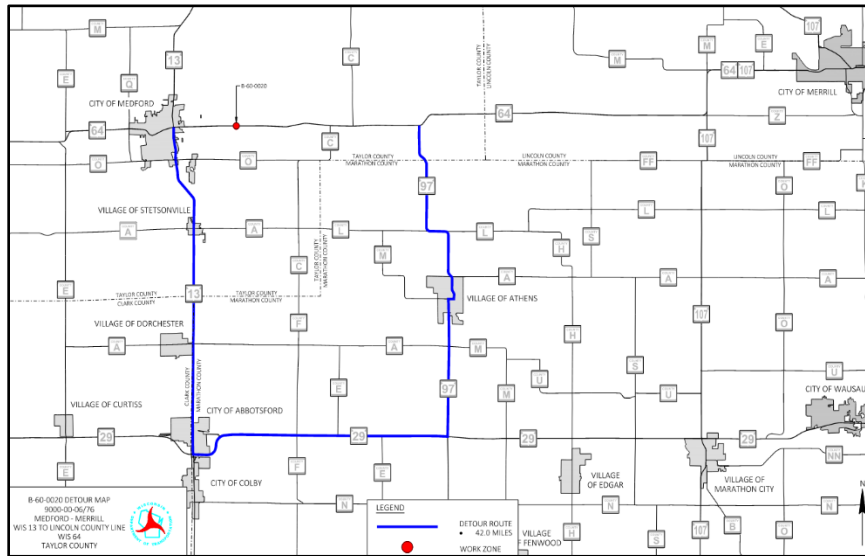
WIS 64 Project Location Map



Proposed Traffic Impacts

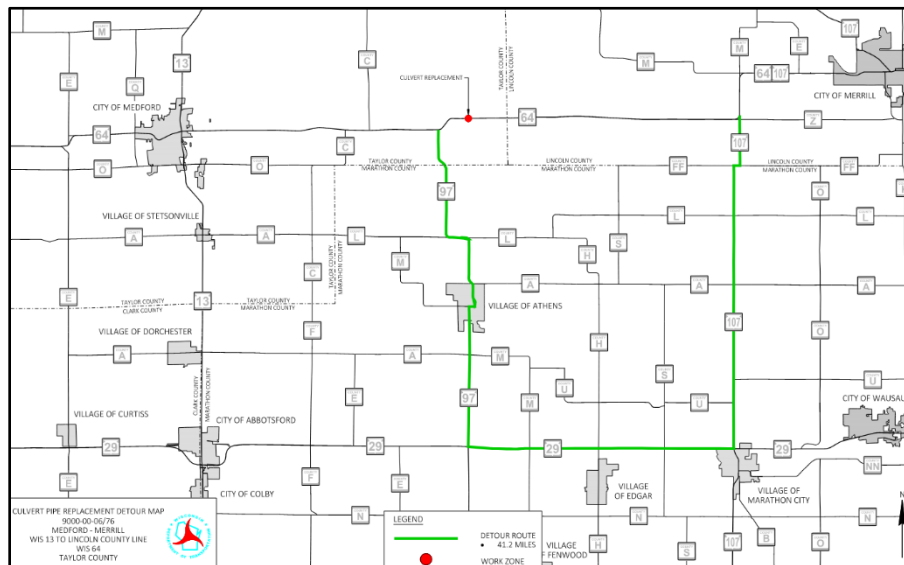
Construction is currently scheduled for 2028, with work beginning in spring and concluding in late fall. During construction, two short-term detours (approximately five days/each) are required for excavation work at structure B-60-0020 and culvert pipe replacement east of Lemke Drive. These detours will be done at separate times, and access will be maintained to properties on both sides of the work locations. Through traffic for the excavation at structure B-60-0020 will be detoured via WIS 13, WIS 29 and WIS 97.

B-60-0020 Detour Map



Through traffic for the culvert pipe replacement east of Lemke Drive will be detoured via WIS 97, WIS 29 and WIS 107.

Culvert Pipe Replacement Detour Map

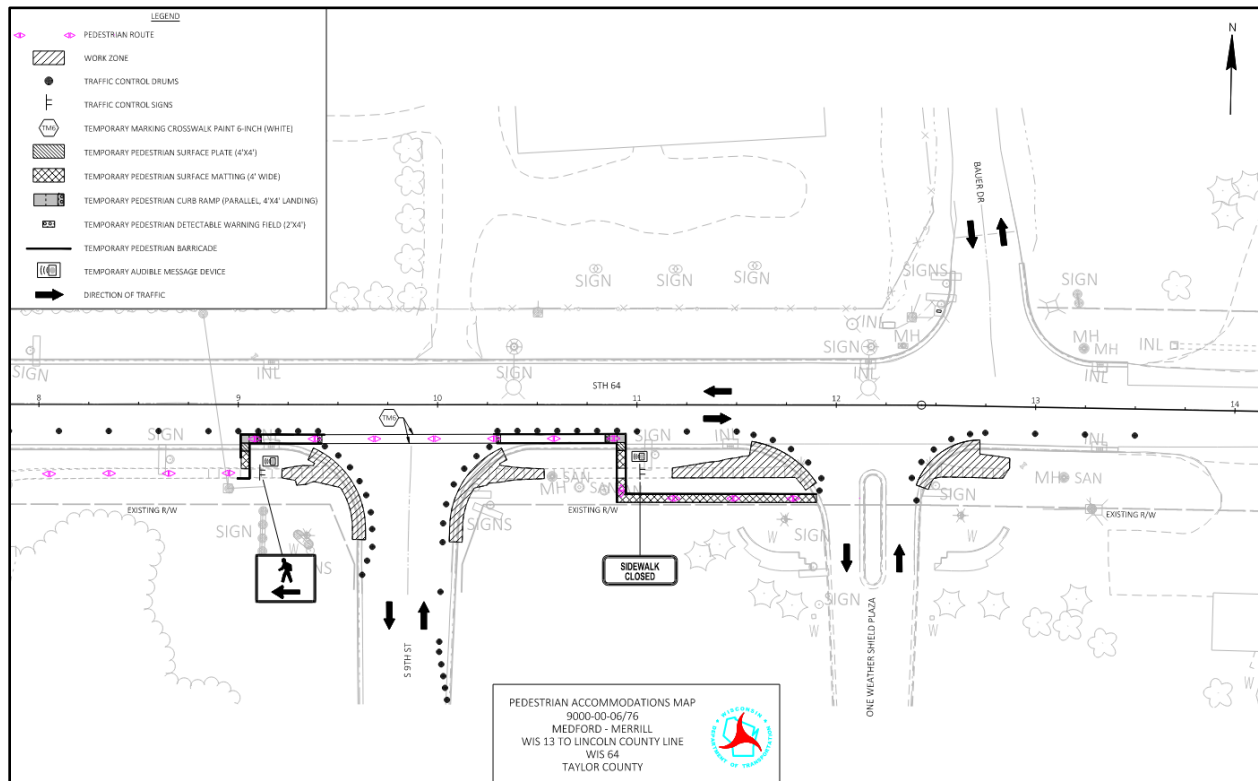


Work at structure C-60-1100 0.3 mile east of Mink Dive will be completed using single-lane closures controlled by temporary signals.

The remaining work will be completed using a combination of single-lane closures using flagging operations and shoulder closures.

Pedestrian accommodations will be made between South 9th Street and One Weather Shield Plaza in the city of Medford. Accommodations will allow pedestrians access to One Weather Shield Plaza; however, the existing crossing will be closed to complete the improvements.

Pedestrian Accommodations Map



Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. The project needs require both permanent and temporary purchases. Fee is the permanent acquisition of a portion of a property by WisDOT for highway needs, and temporary limited easements, or TLEs, are the temporary acquisition of a portion of a property by WisDOT for construction needs, and disturbed areas are restored during construction. Current project needs anticipate five Fee purchases and one TLE purchase. The anticipated acreage per property for Fee purchases is 0.01 acre (approximately 850 square feet). The anticipated acreage for the TLE purchase is 0.04 acre (approximately 1,750 square feet). Real estate personnel will be contacting each affected property during the real estate acquisition phase for negotiations.

Project update/next steps

Project Schedule

Local Officials Meeting #1
 Public Input Solicitation #1
 Environmental Document
 Design Study Report
 Recorded Plat
 Real Estate Acquisitions
 Agency Coordination (DNR, etc.)

Oct. 28, 2025
 Nov. 13, 2025
 February 2026
 May 2026
 July 2026
 Summer 2026 – fall 2027
 Ongoing to October 2027

Utility Coordination
Final Plans Due
Construction Information Meeting
Construction

April 2027
November 2027
Prior to Start of Construction
Spring – late fall 2028

Public input/comments

Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before **Dec. 12, 2025**. 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.

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