

Branch Kinnickinnic River Bridge Rehabilitation Project

St. Croix County

Summer 2025

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Agenda

- Purpose and Need
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Purpose and Need

- Purpose

- To preserve the roadway and bridge assets

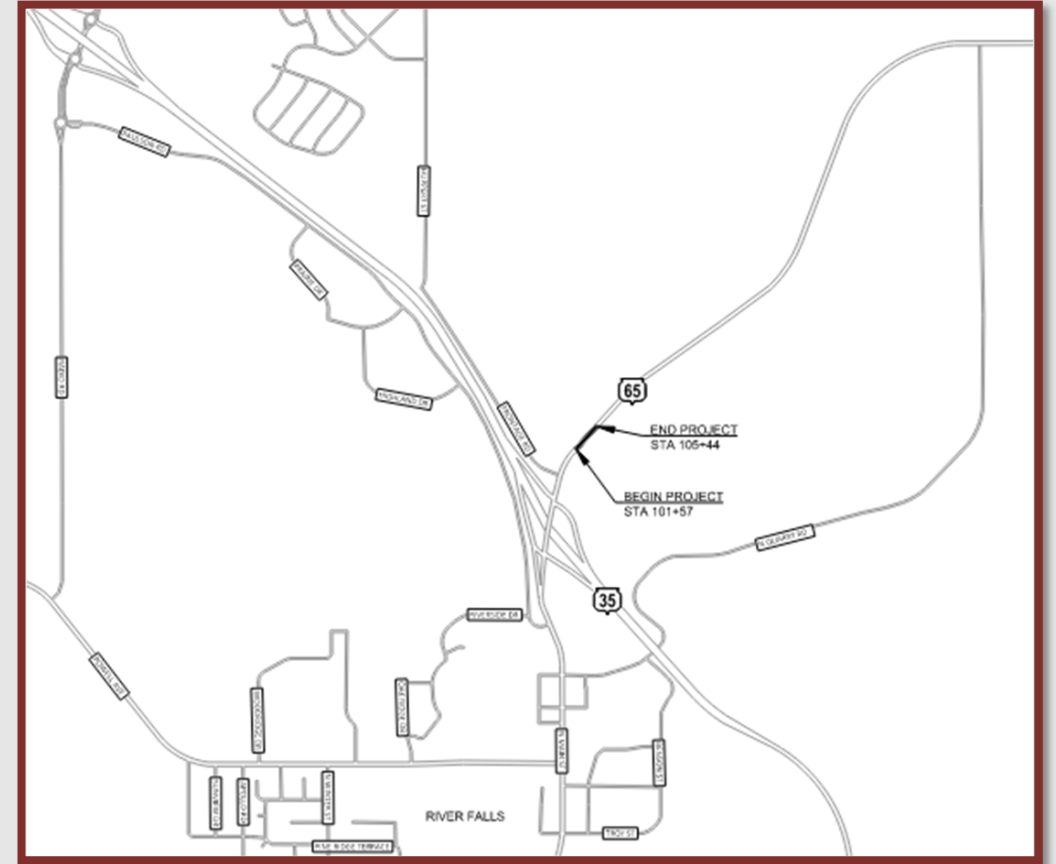
- Need

- To address bridge and roadway deficiencies
 - Built in 1967, the bridge is showing signs of distress.
 - The roadway is showing signs of deterioration.



Project Location

- WIS 65
- St. Croix County
 - Branch of the Kinnickinnic River
 - Located at edge of River Falls



Proposed Improvements

Structure

- Overlaying the bridge deck with concrete
- Rehabilitating the concrete abutments
- Replacing a bridge wing
- Replacing concrete approach slabs



Proposed Improvements

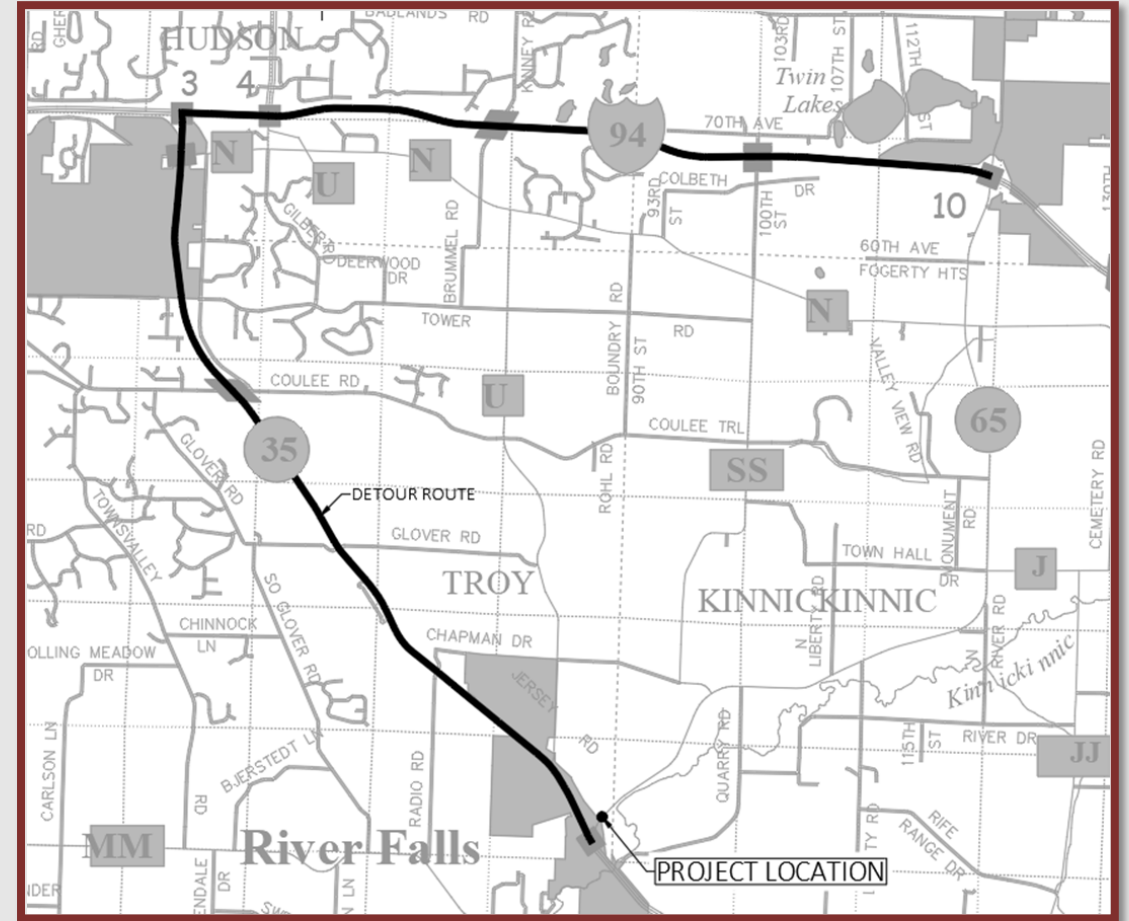
Roadway

- Milling two inches of existing asphalt pavement from roadway approaches on both sides of bridge
- Paving two inches of new asphalt
- Replacing guardrail
- Restoring landscape



Proposed Traffic Impacts

- Bridge closed
 - Detour: WIS 35 and I-94
 - Length: 14.7 miles
- Local routes available



Schedule

- Summer 2025: Solicit public input regarding proposed improvements
- May 2027: Submit final design plans and estimates
- 2028: Construction
 - Construction is anticipated to take 40 to 50 days to complete.



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Public Comments

- Please submit comments on the proposed project by Aug. 15 by:
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