

Public Involvement

Merrimac Ferry Maintenance Building Columbia County

Project ID: 5640-01-07



October 21, 2024 – November 4, 2024

Purpose

The purpose of the proposed action is to preserve the ferry asset and minimize the overall life cycle cost of the operation. This can be accomplished by addressing the following needs: building deficiencies and drainage deficiencies.

Building deficiencies: The existing maintenance building no longer serves the ferry operations efficiently. The building does not have adequate storage or workspace. Some equipment and materials are currently being stored at an off-site location.

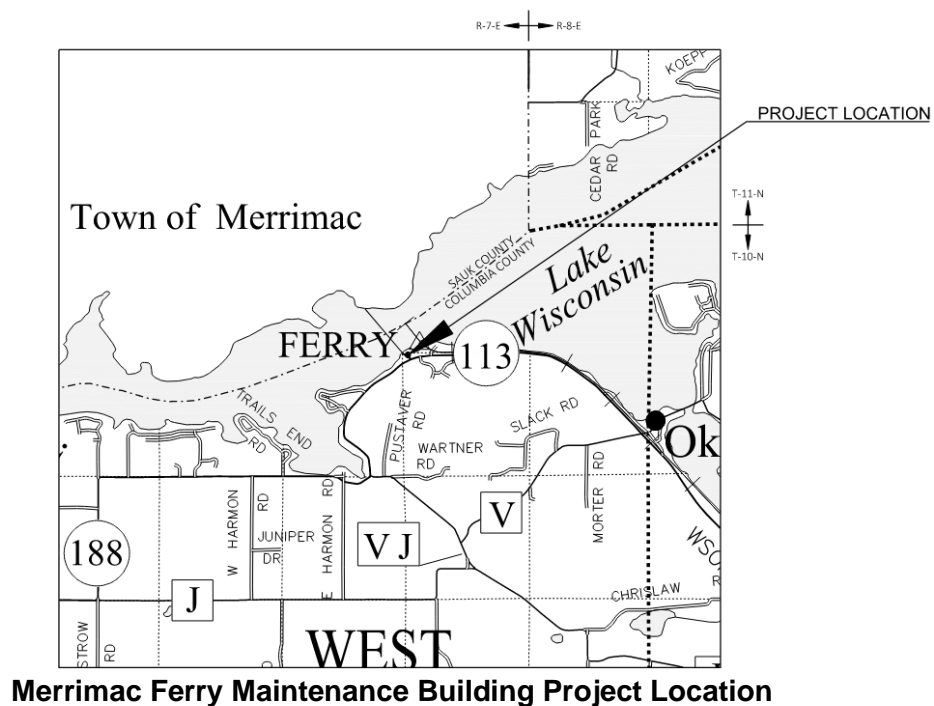
Drainage deficiencies: Ponding occurs directly south and southeast of the existing building causing damage to the site.

No meeting will be held. Please review contents of the mailer and website listed below and provide comment if desired.

Project information

WisDOT is proposing to replace the existing maintenance building with a larger building to properly accommodate the needs of the ferry operations and maintenance. Additionally, the area directly adjacent to the building will be regraded for proper drainage around the new building.

The environmental, archaeological, and historical studies have begun and are anticipated to be completed in Winter 2024.



Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled for 2025.

During construction, traffic impacts to the wayside access road will be minimized. There will be no traffic impacts to WIS 113 or the ferry. Access to adjacent properties will be maintained at all times.

Real estate

No Right-of-Way acquisition is anticipated for this project.

Project update/next steps

Public Involvement	October 2024
Environmental Document	November 2024
Final Plans	February 2025
Construction currently scheduled	2025

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. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

There are several ways to submit your input by **November 4, 2024**:

1. Complete the fillable online survey on the project website
Project Website: <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/ferryshed-wis113/default.aspx>
(<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/home.aspx> > Projects and Studies > Highway Projects and Studies > Southwest > Merrimac Ferry Maintenance Shed)
2. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below

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