

US 18

Hope Lake Road Intersection Area

Public Involvement Meeting

5:30 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M.
Tuesday May 27, 2025
Town of Oakland Town Hall

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is proposing a roadway improvement project on US 18 east of Cambridge in the Town of Oakland at the Hope Lake Road intersection. The project encompasses the curve starting 540 feet west of Hope Lake Road and ending 500 feet east of Hope Lake Road. The purpose of this project is to address roadway departure crashes and improve safety. This curve has on US 18 has seen eleven crashes within a five-year analysis period. Six of the eleven crashes were roadway departure crashes. Wet, snowy, or icy conditions were noted for three of the six roadway departure crashes.

Alternatives Considered

Alternative 1: No build

Not performing work does not address the safety concerns at this curve.

Alternative 2: Mill and Overlay with High Friction Surface Treatment

This alternative will treat the existing roadway with a 2-inch mill and overlay and construct a high friction surface treatment. The resurfacing will address any existing cracks in the pavement. The high friction surface treatment helps minimize roadway departure crashes occurring with wet, snowy, or icy conditions. This alternative widens the paved shoulders from three feet to five feet and adds shoulder and centerline rumble strips. These improvements help minimize the other roadway departure crashes that are due to inattentive driving.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Complete Preliminary Design – Summer 2025

Complete Environmental Document – Summer 2025

Final Plans – Fall 2026

Construction – 2027

PROJECT CONTACTS

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