

# **Public Involvement Meeting Handout**

**WIS 131  
County A to Hiawatha Avenue  
Ontario–Tomah, Monroe County**

**Project ID: 5130-05-05/75**



**April 8, 2025  
5 to 6:30 P.M.**

**24381 Heritage Avenue  
Tomah, WI 54660  
(Town of Tomah Hall)**

## Purpose of the meeting

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) welcomes you to this public involvement meeting (PIM) for the proposed improvements to WIS 131 from County A to Hiawatha Avenue in the Town of Tomah and Town of Wilton. Refer to Figure 1 for a project location map.

The objective of this meeting is to provide you with information regarding the proposed improvements to the roadway. WisDOT representatives will give a brief presentation starting at 5 P.M.

Please take time to review the information presented. WisDOT project representatives are available to answer questions. A public comment form is also available for you to provide written comments. Please submit comments by May 9, 2025.

## Project information

The purpose of this project is to address deteriorating pavement conditions and ride quality; severe crashes at the County A and WIS 131 intersection; spot cross culverts and drainage concerns; and upgrades to the existing guardrail. The existing corridor is a two-lane undivided highway with a skewed intersection at County A and WIS 131. The project is proposing to convert the existing County A and WIS 131 intersection into a single-lane roundabout, mill and relay WIS 131, replace guardrail, improve drainage and replace deteriorating culverts. Construction is anticipated in summer 2030.



Figure 1: Project Location Map

## Proposed traffic impacts

During construction, WIS 131 will remain open to through traffic, except for a short-term closure to complete portions of the roundabout. During this closure, a posted detour route will be provided. County A will be sequenced so that one leg will remain open at all times. A posted County A detour will not be

provided during closures. Flagging operations will be used as needed. The contractor will be required to maintain access to residents and businesses throughout the duration of the project.

## **Real estate**

The project will require the purchase of right of way (fee and temporary limited easements) for the proposed improvements near the County A and WIS 131 intersection. The real estate process is planned to begin in spring 2026.

## **Public input/comments**

We encourage you to speak with the project representatives and ask them questions. There is a comment form available for your written comments and concerns regarding the project. Your project comments will assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community.

Please place your completed comment form in the provided comment box or mail by May 9, 2025, using the comment form provided. Comments can also be submitted to Jered Lex, P.E., WisDOT Project Manager, by email at [Jered.Lex@dot.wi.gov](mailto:Jered.Lex@dot.wi.gov) or by telephone at (608) 785-9956.

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