

# Public Involvement Meeting Handout

**WIS 81 and Milwaukee Road Intersection  
Beloit  
Rock County**

Project ID: 5340-01-04/74



**Thursday, February 20, 2025  
5:00 PM  
Beloit Public Library, Classroom 111**

**Project Website:**

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/wis81-beloit/default.aspx>

## **Purpose of the meeting**

The objective of this meeting is to obtain your input on the identified needs and proposed improvements. The meeting will follow an open-house format with a brief presentation at 5:15.

## **Project information**

WisDOT is proposing to improve the intersection of Milwaukee Road and White Avenue on WIS 81 in Rock County. The purpose of this project is primarily to address the safety concerns associated with the intersection.

Proposed improvements include:

- Reconstruction of the current intersection to a roundabout to improve the safety of the intersection
- Shifting the Evergreen Avenue cul-de-sac north to accommodate the intersection improvements
- Reconstruction of the curb ramps and existing sidewalk to meet current ADA standards
- Storm sewer modifications to accommodate the intersection improvements
- Surface crossing, signal, and median improvements at the nearby railroad crossing

The environmental document for this project is currently under development by the project team. The environmental document is expected to be completed April 2025.

## **Current anticipated construction impacts**

Construction is currently scheduled for 2028.

Final traffic control details for the project are still being investigated. For the duration of the work on the railroad crossing, WIS 81 will be closed to all traffic and a detour will be provided. The detour will utilize US 51 and I-39/90. For the remainder of the project work, lane closures and short-term detour routes may be used.

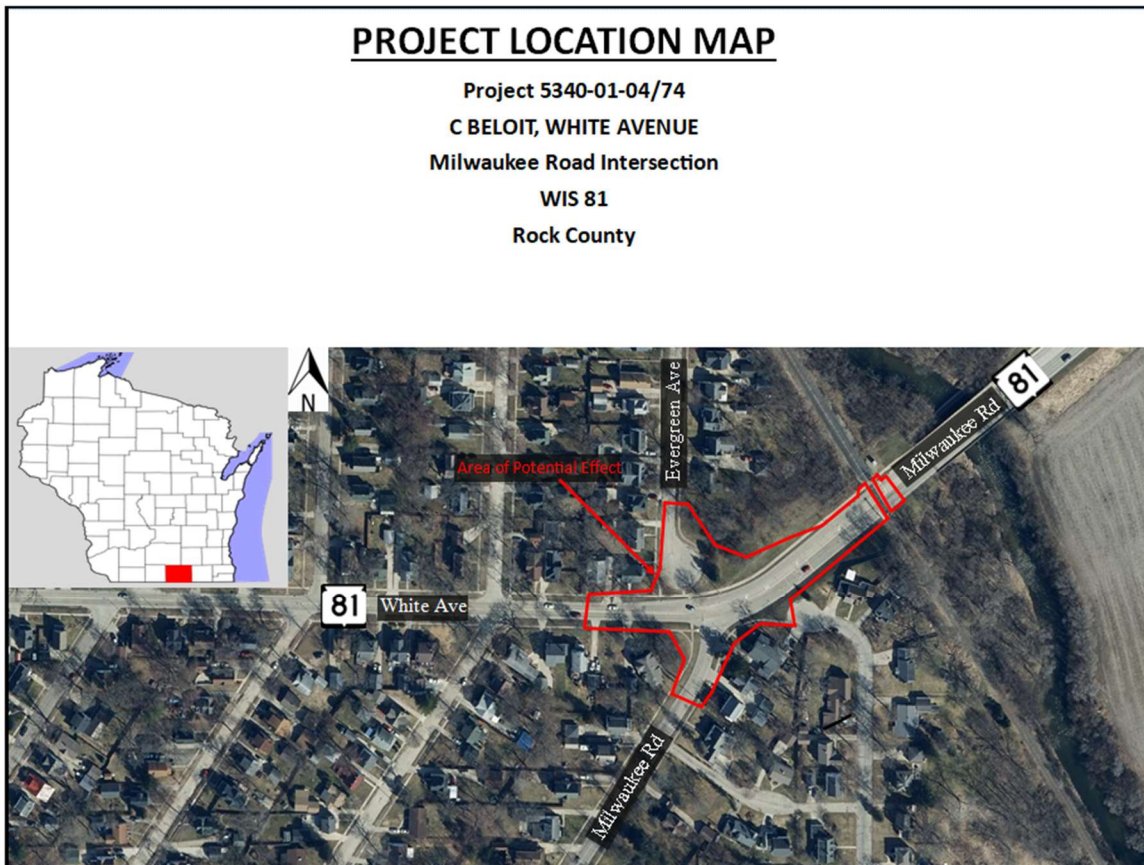
Local access to driveways will be maintained to the greatest extent possible during construction; however, there may be brief periods of time when access will not be possible at certain locations due to construction operations. Every effort will be made to maintain access to the greatest extent possible through construction staging, and any access interruptions at driveways will be communicated well in advance by the contractor.

Pedestrian access will remain open throughout the project. Temporary pedestrian accommodations will be provided.

## Real estate

This project will require a minor amount of right of way acquisition, but no relocations will be required. Approximately 0.20 acres of new permanent right-of-way acquisitions (FEE) will be required; of this amount, 0.17 acres are already owned by the City of Beloit and WisDOT. Additionally, approximately 0.06 acres will be essentially rented as a temporary limited easement (TLE) to help accommodate construction operations and slope grading.

Areas of FEE and TLE are denoted on the project overview exhibit. If you have any questions pertaining to the real estate process on WisDOT projects, real estate representatives are available at the meeting to assist you.



## Project update/next steps

The remainder of the project is anticipated to follow the schedule below:

- Environmental Document Complete: April 2025
- Preliminary Design Complete: August 2025
- Plans to Utilities: September 2025
- Final Design Complete: August 2027
- Construction: 2028

## Public input/comments

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. 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 by **March 22, 2025** or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also e-mail your comments to the contacts listed below.

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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# Public Involvement Meeting Comment Form

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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