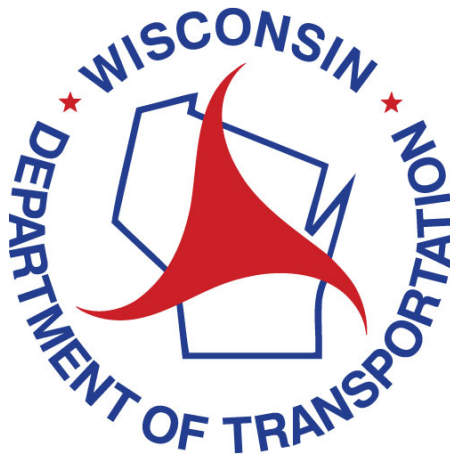


# Public Involvement Handout

**WIS 81  
City of Beloit, White Avenue  
Wisconsin Avenue Intersection  
Rock County**

**Project ID: 5340-01-05**



**April 14, 2026**

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at  
<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/wis81-wisconsinave/default.aspx>

*Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to your feedback.*

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements on .08 miles of WIS 81 in Rock County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed improvements, describe the potential impacts and offer an opportunity for public comment.

### Project location

The WIS 81 and Wisconsin Avenue Intersection within the City of Beloit in Rock County.

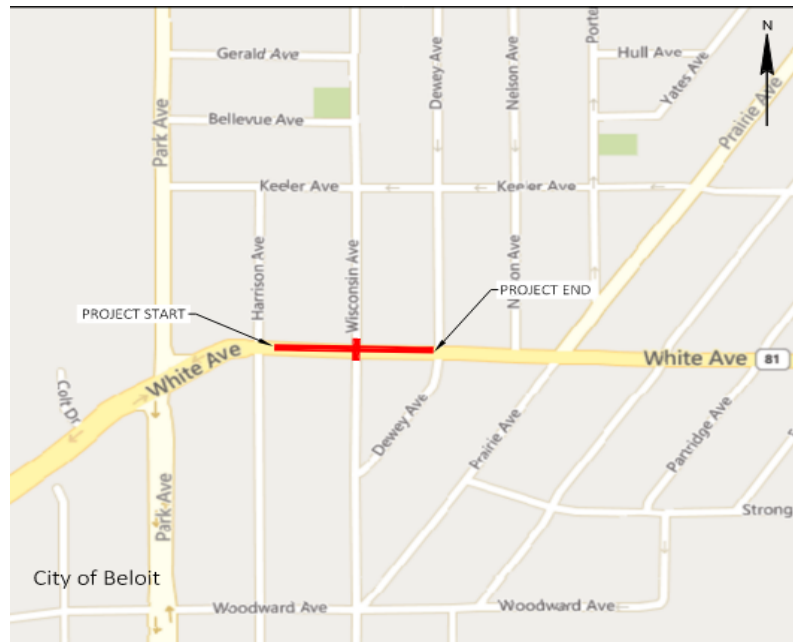
### Project purpose and need

The purpose of this project is to address highway safety concerns at the WIS 81 and Wisconsin Avenue Intersection.

Between 2017 and 2021 there were 34 crashes at the intersection. 25 of those crashes were right angle crashes.

### Anticipated benefits

Project will provide motorists with improved safety at the WIS 81 and Wisconsin Avenue intersection by reducing crashes.



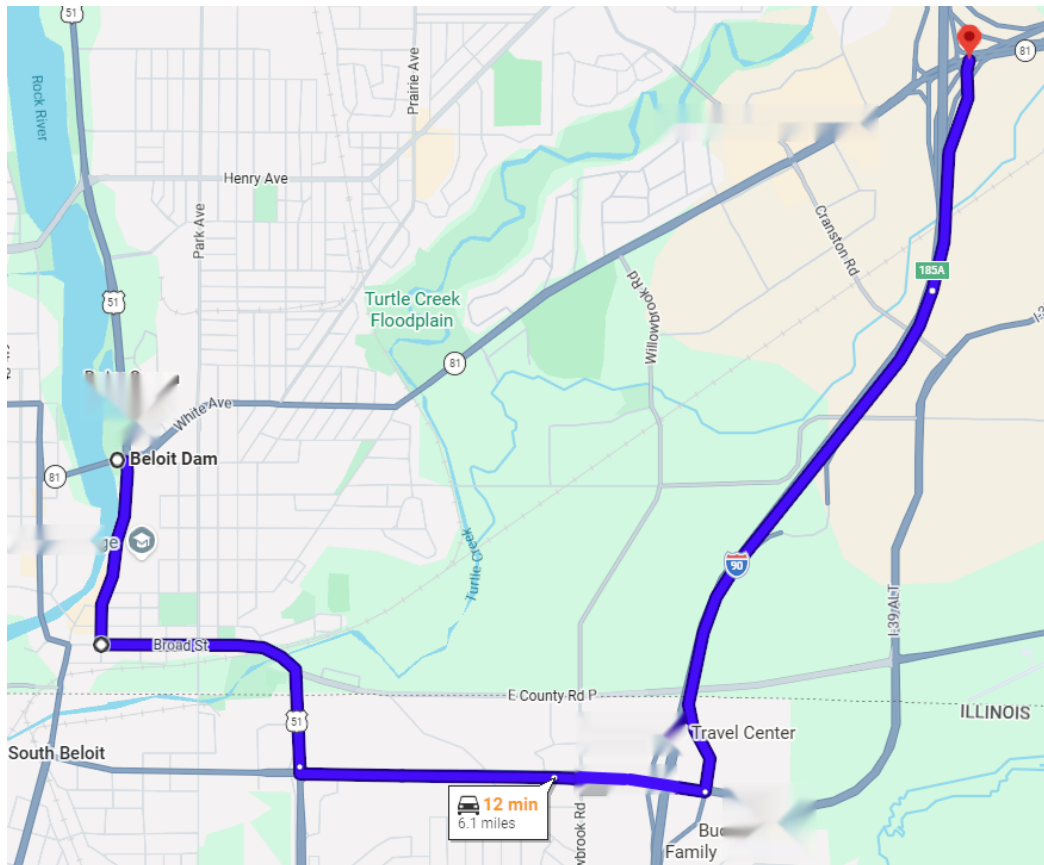
### Proposed improvements

This is a safety improvement project. Proposed improvements include:

- Alternative 1: Right-in/ Right-out intersection – **Preferred alternative**
  - Construct 6' raised median on WIS 81, Extend existing WIS 81 lanes 3' to maintain 12' lane width
  - Pavement structure: 9-Inch concrete pavement, 12" aggregate base
  - Replace curb ramps at the intersection, replace curb and gutter.
- Alternative 2: Compact roundabout
  - Construct a compact roundabout at the intersection of WIS 81 and Wisconsin Avenue
  - Pavement structure: 9-Inch concrete pavement, 12" aggregate base
  - Replace curb ramps at the intersection replace curb and gutter

## Traffic impacts

WIS 81 will be closed to thru traffic. A detour route will be posted, utilizing US 51, IL 75, and I-39/I-90. The detour adds approximately 4 min and 2.8 miles.



## Schedule

- Local officials meeting held: March 17, 2026
- Environmental document completed: November 2026
- Begin real-estate acquisition: November 2026
- Final design completed: August 2028
- Construction begins: Spring/Summer of 2029
- Construction completed: End of 2029

## Real estate

Alternative 1: Right-in/ Right-out Intersection - **Preferred Alternative**

- Temporary right-of-way acquisition required for replacing curb ramps
- Affected property owners will be contacted by WisDOT after November of 2026

Alternative 2: Compact roundabout

- Significant temporary and permanent right-of-way acquisition required
- Possible relocations
- Affected property owners will be contacted by WisDOT after November of 2026

## **Business Resource: WisDOT's In This Together program**

WisDOT recognizes businesses located in work zones or impacted by detour routes have special needs. WisDOT's In This Together program is offered to business, organizations and community leaders as an idea source as they plan for road construction in their area. It includes promotional examples, case studies and a specially designed Business Coordination Guide with information on:

- Planning ahead
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses
- Temporary business signing during construction
  - Businesses impacted by highway closures and detours will have an opportunity for temporary business signage during construction.

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at [www.wisconsindot.gov/Together](http://www.wisconsindot.gov/Together).

## **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 and are welcomed and appreciated throughout the design process. Included at the end of this handout, as well as on the project website, is a comment form that may be used for written comments regarding the proposed improvements. You are encouraged to fill out this form and return using the pre-paid mailer attached. Comments may also be submitted via email or phone to any of the contacts listed below.

Please submit comments to WisDOT using one of the following methods so that we receive them by the comment date to be consider during design.

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this project handout and mail to WisDOT.
2. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below.
3. Call the contact below.

## **Project Contact**

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# Public Involvement Meeting Comment Form

Project ID 5340-01-05  
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Wisconsin Avenue Intersection  
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Tuesday April 14, 2026

Please place this form in the comment box or mail by May 14, 2026 to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to Theodore.Hebers@dot.wi.gov. 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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Address:

Daytime Phone Number (optional):

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

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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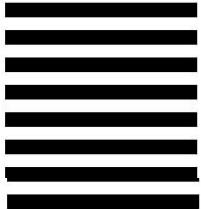
*The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and signatures is not confidential, and may be subject to disclosure upon request, pursuant to the requirements of the Wisconsin open records law, sections 19.31 - 19.39 of the Wisconsin Statutes.*

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