

I-94/WIS 128 Interchange Improvement Project

May 2014

Baldwin-Menomonie Road, St. Croix County

Frequently Asked Questions

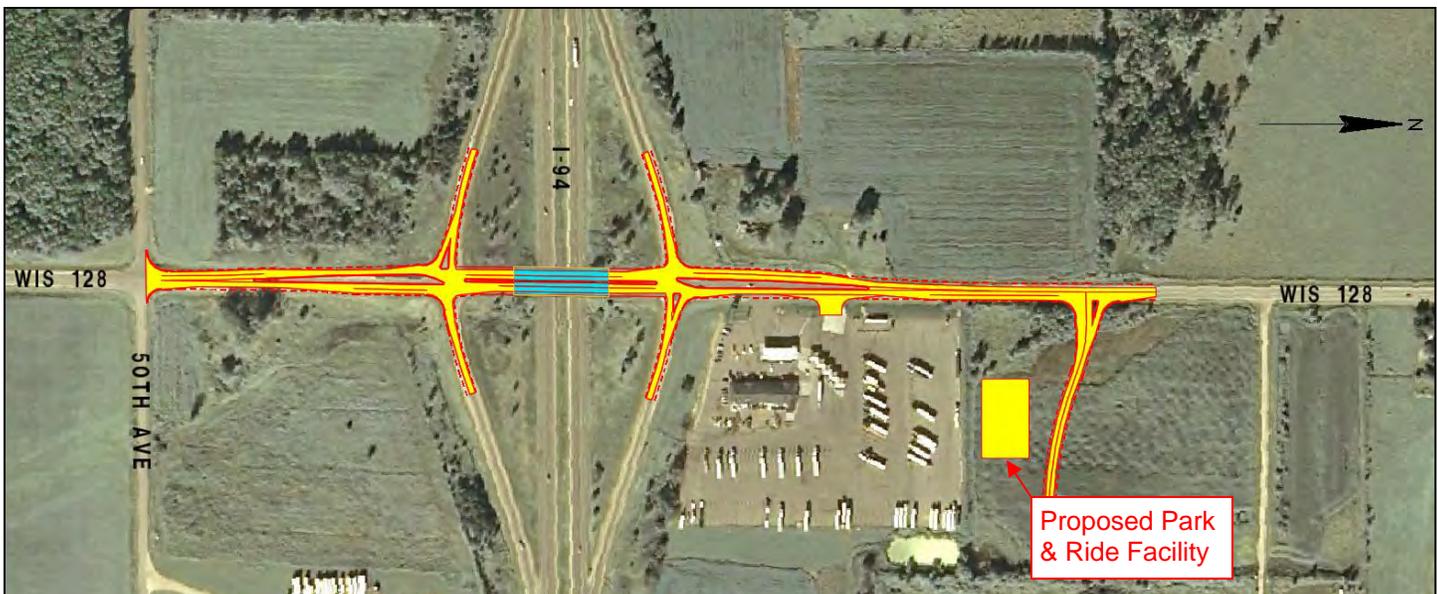
What improvements are planned?

The project is located approximately 1.5 miles southwest of the Village of Wilson, along WIS 128, in the Town of Cady.

The project consists of reconstruction and widening of WIS 128 within a half mile of the interchange and will include replacement of the WIS 128 bridge over I-94. Reconstruction of the I-94 ramp terminal intersections with WIS 128 and the addition of a park & ride facility will also be part of the project. Two alternatives are being evaluated as improvement options for the ramp terminal intersections: roundabouts and stop-controlled intersections. The alternatives are shown on the back of this page.

When will the interchange be reconstructed?

The preparation of designs and plans will be completed in the fall of 2015, and the project will be constructed in 2016. The project schedule is shown on the back of this page.



Why is reconstruction of the I-94/WIS 128 interchange needed?

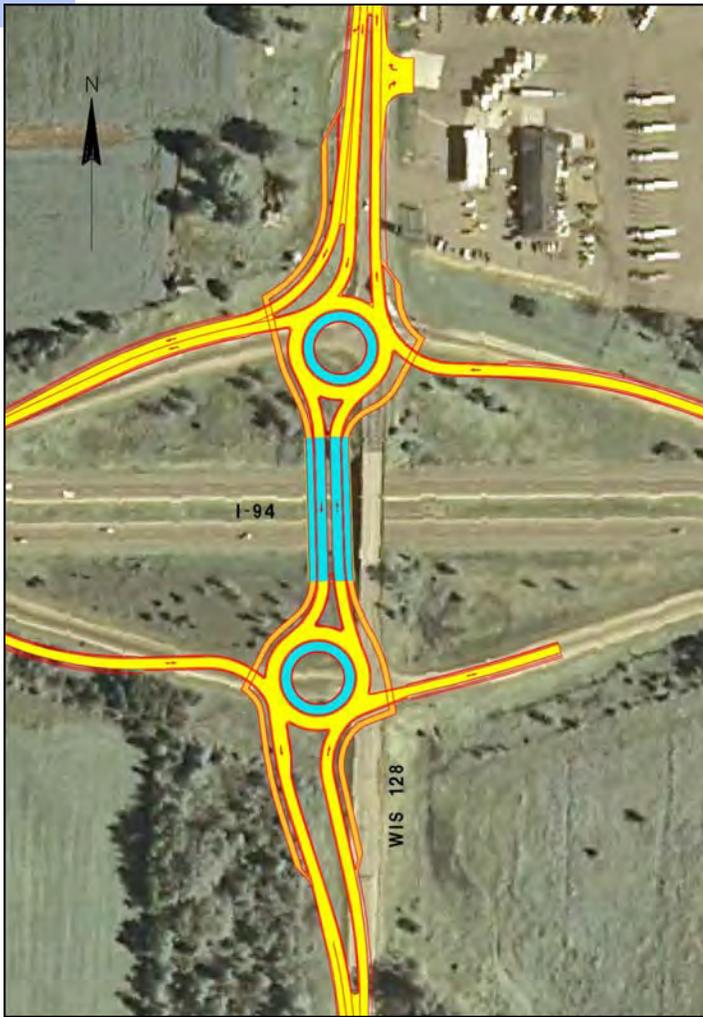
WIS 128 is a rural minor arterial route and I-94 is a high-priority principal arterial through northwestern Wisconsin. Both routes facilitate inter-regional and inter-state travel. The WIS 128 interchange structure was originally constructed in 1958 and needs replacement. Ramp intersection improvements are needed to maintain safe and efficient operations due to increasing traffic use. Proposed project improvements include:

- Replace the WIS 128 bridge over I-94
- Correct substandard geometric intersection and ramp features
- Replace pavement and widen the roadway on WIS 128
- Add a park & ride facility

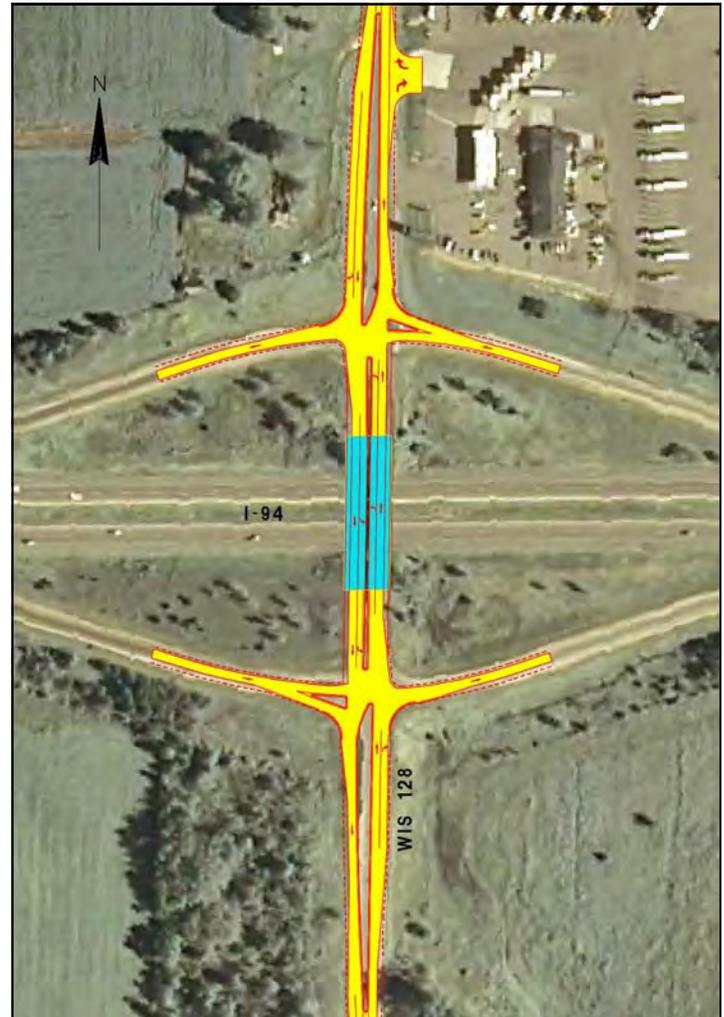


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ROUNDBABOUT ALTERNATIVE



STOP-CONTROLLED ALTERNATIVE



What are the benefits of a roundabout?

A recent study of 30 roundabouts in Wisconsin showed a 38% reduction in injury and fatal crashes. Roundabouts reduce the potential for serious crashes (such as T-bone) because travel speed is reduced as drivers yield to traffic on entry.

Contrary to many peoples' perceptions, roundabouts move traffic through an intersection faster, and with less congestion on approaching roads. Roundabouts promote a continuous flow of traffic. Unlike intersections with traffic signals, you don't have to wait for a green light at a roundabout. Traffic is not required to stop - only yield - so the intersection can handle more traffic in the same amount of time.

Project Contact Information

Please contact one of the individuals listed below with questions, comments, or concerns regarding the I-94/WIS 128 interchange project.

Project Schedule

Fall 2013

- ✓ Field investigations

Spring 2014

- ✓ Preliminary alternatives
- Public Information Meeting
- Environmental Report

Fall 2014

- Public Information Meeting
- Real estate acquisition begins

Fall 2015

- Design Complete

Spring-Fall 2016

- Construction



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