

(EIS CODE NUMBER)
Route, Termini, City or County, and State
WisDOT Project ID
Draft (Final) (Supplement)
Environmental Impact Statement
Submitted Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4332 (2) (c)
(and where applicable, 49 U.S.C. 303) by the
U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
and
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
and
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A one paragraph abstract of the statement.

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(Note: Use this title sheet for federal-funded projects.)

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT STATEMENT

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 USC 4321-4347, became effective January 1, 1970. This law requires that all federal agencies have prepared for every recommendation or report on proposals for legislation and other major federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment a detailed statement (now called an Environmental Impact Statement or EIS). The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is therefore required to have prepared an EIS on proposals that are funded under its authority if the proposal is determined to be a major action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

EIS's are required for many transportation projects, as outlined in NEPA. The processing of an EIS is done in two stages. Draft EIS's are first written and forwarded for review and comment to federal, state, and local agencies with jurisdiction by law or special expertise, and are made available to the public. This availability to the public must occur at least 15 days before the public hearing and no later than the time of the first public hearing notice or notice of opportunity. Normally 45 days plus mailing time will be allowed for comments to be made on the Draft EIS unless a time extension is granted by the Director of the Bureau of Equity and Environmental Services. After this period has elapsed, preparation can begin on a Final EIS.

Final EIS's are prepared to reflect the distribution of the draft statement by including the following:

1. Basic content of the draft statement, as amended, due to internal agency comments, editing, additional alternatives being considered, if any, and changes that may have been made due to the time lag between the Draft and Final EIS.
2. Summary of public hearing environmental comments.
3. Copies of comments received on the draft statement.
4. Evaluation and disposition of each substantive comment.

A Record of Decision cannot be completed and signed sooner than 90 days after circulation of draft statements to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or 30 days after submission of final statements to the EPA.

Both the Draft and Final EIS are full-disclosure documents, which provide a full description of the proposed project, the existing environment, and an analysis of the anticipated beneficial and/or adverse environmental effects.

Names and addresses of those individuals to contact for additional information, or to provide written comments to, are indicated on the title sheet.

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WISCONSIN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT STATEMENT

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