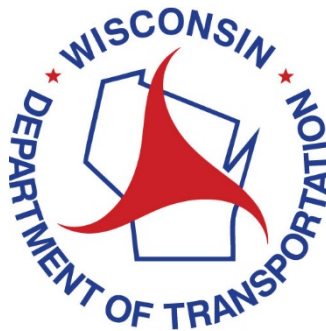


Public Involvement

**US 45
US 8 to WIS 32
Oneida County
Project ID: 1600-29-01**



September 25, 2023 to October 25, 2023

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Purpose

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements to US 45 between US 8 and WIS 32 in Oneida County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed project, describe the potential impacts it will have on the community, and offer an opportunity for public comment. We appreciate your input and encourage you to review the project information and provide comments.

Project Information

We are proposing to improve 16.3 miles of US 45.

The purpose of this project is to perform improvements on a section of US 45 between US 8 and WIS 32 in Oneida County. These improvements are needed to address the deteriorating pavement. Recent culvert inspections found multiple culverts are deteriorated and in need of replacement. Lastly, various beam guard and end treatments along US 45 do not meet current safety standards.

Proposed improvements include:

- Resurfacing the existing asphaltic pavement
- Replacing culvert pipes
- Adjustment and replacement of guard rail
- Grading at various guard rail ends.

The proposed improvements meet the project purpose and needs. Doing nothing is a considered alternative; however, it does not meet the project purpose and needs. Reconstructing the roadway is also considered. Although reconstructing the roadway meets the project purpose and need and would result in a longer usable life of the project corridor, it would also impose a much higher cost than the proposed alternative.

An environmental document is currently being prepared for this project. DNR Initial Concurrence and has been received with environmental conditions that design staff will accommodate for on the project. The project has been screened for historical and archaeological impact and found to have no potential to cause adverse effects to historic properties.

Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled for the 2027 construction season and anticipated to be complete in the fall of 2027. However, construction could occur as early as the 2026 construction season in which case anticipated completion would be in the fall of 2026.

During construction, US 45 between US 8 and WIS 32 will remain open to traffic but motorists can expect to encounter single lane closures under flagging operations.

Temporary driveway closures will be necessary during parts of the construction process. WisDOT will contact homeowners and businesses in advance before closing a driveway.

Real estate

No additional right of way is expected to be acquired for this project.

Project update/next steps

Local officials meeting	August 31, 2023
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Public involvement	September 25, 2023 – October 25, 2023
Environmental document	November 2023
Preliminary plans	December 2023
Final plans	May 1, 2025
Construction currently scheduled	2027 Construction Season (could occur as early as 2026 Construction Season)

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. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

There are several ways to submit your input by **October 25, 2023**:

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT
2. Complete the fillable online survey on the project website
<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/us45oneida/default.aspx>
3. Email comments or questions to the contact(s) listed below

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For more information, please contact:

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Public Involvement Comment Form

Project ID 1600-29-01/71
Monico - Eagle River
USH 8 to WIS 32
US 45
Oneida County

Please mail by **October 25, 2023** to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be emailed to michellem.guoin@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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, email 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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