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Public input sought on US 45 project in Shawano, Waupaca Counties

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is seeking public input on proposed improvements to US 45 between Gollnow Road in Shawano County to Waupaca County C in Clintonville. Construction is currently scheduled for 2023 but could occur as early as 2022.

Proposed improvements include:

- Removing and replacing the existing asphaltic pavement
- Removing the gutter adjacent to the two-way left-turn lane
- Removing and replacing damaged curb and gutter sections at intersections and median areas
- Removing and replacing guardrail
- Repairing scour areas adjacent to three culverts
- Adding raised medians at intersection left turn lanes
- Removing and replacing approach slabs at the bridge over the south branch of the Pigeon River
- Repairing or replacing storm sewer inlets where required

Traffic Impacts:

During construction, US 45 will be open to traffic. Crews will either manage traffic using single lane closures, or close one side for construction while the other side has bidirectional traffic. Staged construction or short-term closures at intersections may be necessary.

Real Estate:

Minor areas of new right of way or temporary easements may be required to accommodate grading in areas of guardrail upgrades and culvert repairs. Landowner rights information and a map of preliminary real estate impacts is available on the project website.

How to provide input:

The public is invited to review maps, a presentation, and other information on the [project website](#) and provide input through **Friday, November 26, 2021**.

1. Residents, property owners, and businesses in the area have been mailed a handout with a comment form that can be sent back to WisDOT.
2. Submit comments using the online comment form on the [project website](#).
3. Questions and comments can be directed to WisDOT Project Manager Preston Bohn at (715) 421-9736, or by email at Preston.Bohn@dot.wi.gov, or in writing to WisDOT North Central Region, 1681 Second Avenue South, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin 54495.

Deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf-blind, and speech-disabled persons should contact the Wisconsin Relay Service by dialing 711.

For more information regarding traffic impacts, transportation news and improvement project updates in Wisconsin's North Central region:

- Follow us on Twitter: [@WisDOTnorthcent](#)
- Visit the region's 511 website: <http://projects.511wi.gov/region/north-central/>
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