

Public Involvement Meeting

Plainfield – Stevens Point	Stevens Point – Waupaca	Stevens Point – Waupaca
USH 10 B-49-24	Southbound I-39 Ramp to Wildwood Dr	Country Club Drive Intersection
I-39	US 10	WIS 66
Portage County	Portage County	Portage County

Project IDs: 1166-06-75, 6290-09-70 and 6290-09-71



**August 22, 2019
4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Portage County Public Library
1001 Main Street, Stevens Point**

Welcome

The purpose of the meeting is to present information on the proposed improvements, review the design concepts and obtain input that will assist the department in further development and refinement of a final design.

After a brief presentation the meeting will follow an open house format.

Project information

We are proposing to improve the US 10/WIS 66 bridge over I-39, the Country Club Drive intersection, northbound and southbound I-39 ramp intersections and the Maple Bluff Road/Old Highway 18 intersections.

Bridge B-49-24 (Bridge over I-39)

The existing bridge deck is delaminating, and concrete is popping off. The paint is deteriorating on the steel components allowing corrosion to occur. Pedestrian and bike accommodations on the bridge are narrow with safety concerns at the I-39 southbound ramp intersection.

US 10/WIS 66 Corridor

The US 10/WIS 66 corridor between Country Club Drive and Maple Bluff Road has experienced 278 crashes between 2012 and 2016, of which 71 resulted in injury.

- 40 crashes at the Country Club Drive intersection
 - Primary crash type: angle.
- 96 crashes at the I-39 southbound ramp intersection
 - Primary crash type: rear end & side swipe
- 33 crashes at the I-39 northbound ramp intersection
 - Primary crash type: rear end
- 59 crashes at the Maple Bluff Road/Old Highway 18 intersection
 - Primary crash type: rear end & angle

During the same timeframe there were 2 bike/vehicle crashes at the I-39 SB off ramp dual right turn lane.

Inadequate left turn offsets, confusion for US 10 eastbound traffic seeking access to I-39 northbound, and signal indication visibility between the closely spaced intersections are likely contributing to the crashes.

The purpose of these improvements is to extend the life of the bridge, reduce crashes, and improve pedestrian safety along the US 10/WIS 66 corridor between Country Club Drive and Maple Bluff Road/Old Highway 18 while maintaining the integrity of the existing roadway.

Proposed Improvements

Bridge B-49-24 (Bridge over I-39)

Remove and replace the concrete deck and approaches, paint the steel components of the bridge, and widen the sidewalk.

Option 1: Move sidewalk to the median from the I-39 southbound ramps to the I-39 northbound ramps. Improves pedestrian safety and avoids crossing the southbound off ramp dual right turn lanes which allow turns on red.

Option 2: Leave sidewalk at its current location. Add additional signing for pedestrian crossing to the southbound off ramp dual right turn lane.

Country Club Drive Intersection

- Shift the left turn lanes on WIS 66 to allow motorists to see around opposing left turning vehicles
- Install a traffic signal head over each lane on WIS 66

I-39 Southbound Ramp Intersection

- Install a traffic signal head over each lane on US 10/WIS 66

I-39 Northbound Ramp Intersection

- Install new signals with a traffic signal head over each lane on US 10/WIS 66
- Add a free flow right turn for US 10 westbound traffic with merge area for left turning WIS 66 eastbound traffic onto the entrance ramp

Maple Bluff Road/Old Highway 18 Intersection

- Shift the left turn lanes on US 10 to allow motorists to see around opposing left turning vehicles
- Lengthen existing US 10 westbound auxiliary lane to the east
- Extend the US 10 westbound auxiliary lane through the Maple Bluff Road intersection
- Lengthen the Maple Bluff Road to US 10 west right turn lane
- Install a traffic signal head over each lane on US 10

Proposed traffic impacts

Bridge and roadway construction is currently scheduled to begin spring 2022 and end fall 2022. Bridge painting may occur in fall 2022 or spring 2023.

I-39

I-39 will remain open to traffic with periodic lane closures in each direction during deck removal and bridge painting. I-39 SB will remain open to two lanes of traffic during bridge painting.

US 10/WIS 66

US 10/WIS 66 traffic over I-39 will be reduced to three lanes; two eastbound and one westbound and turning movements onto I-39 will be restricted to right turns. The US 10 at Maple

Bluff Rd/Old Highway 18 intersection will remain open to two lanes of traffic in each direction. WIS 66 at Country Club Drive will remain open to two lanes of traffic in the eastbound direction and one lane in the westbound direction. Temporary traffic signals with lane shifts will be used at the Country Club Drive and Maple Bluff Rd/Old Highway 18 intersections.

Short term, temporary driveway closures may be necessary to allow driveway construction. WisDOT will contact businesses in advance before closing a driveway.

Ramps

The I-39 northbound off ramp to US 10 east will be closed for the duration of 2022 construction.

Detours

A turnaround detour for the ramps will utilize the WIS 66 interchange to the north and the County HH interchange to the south.

Real estate

No additional right of way will be required for this project.

Project update/next steps

Project staff conducted a meeting with local officials on August 1, 2019.

The anticipated schedule for the project is as follows:

Final Environmental Documents	December 2019
Final Plans	May 1, 2021
Construction Letting	November 9, 2021
Construction Currently Scheduled to Begin	Spring 2022

Public input/comments

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before **September 6, 2019** or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also email your comments to the contact listed below.

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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