



Public Involvement

WIS 32

County C to Forest Avenue

Forest County

September 13, 2021 to October 4, 2021

*More information is available for review on the project website: <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis32wabeno/default.aspx>
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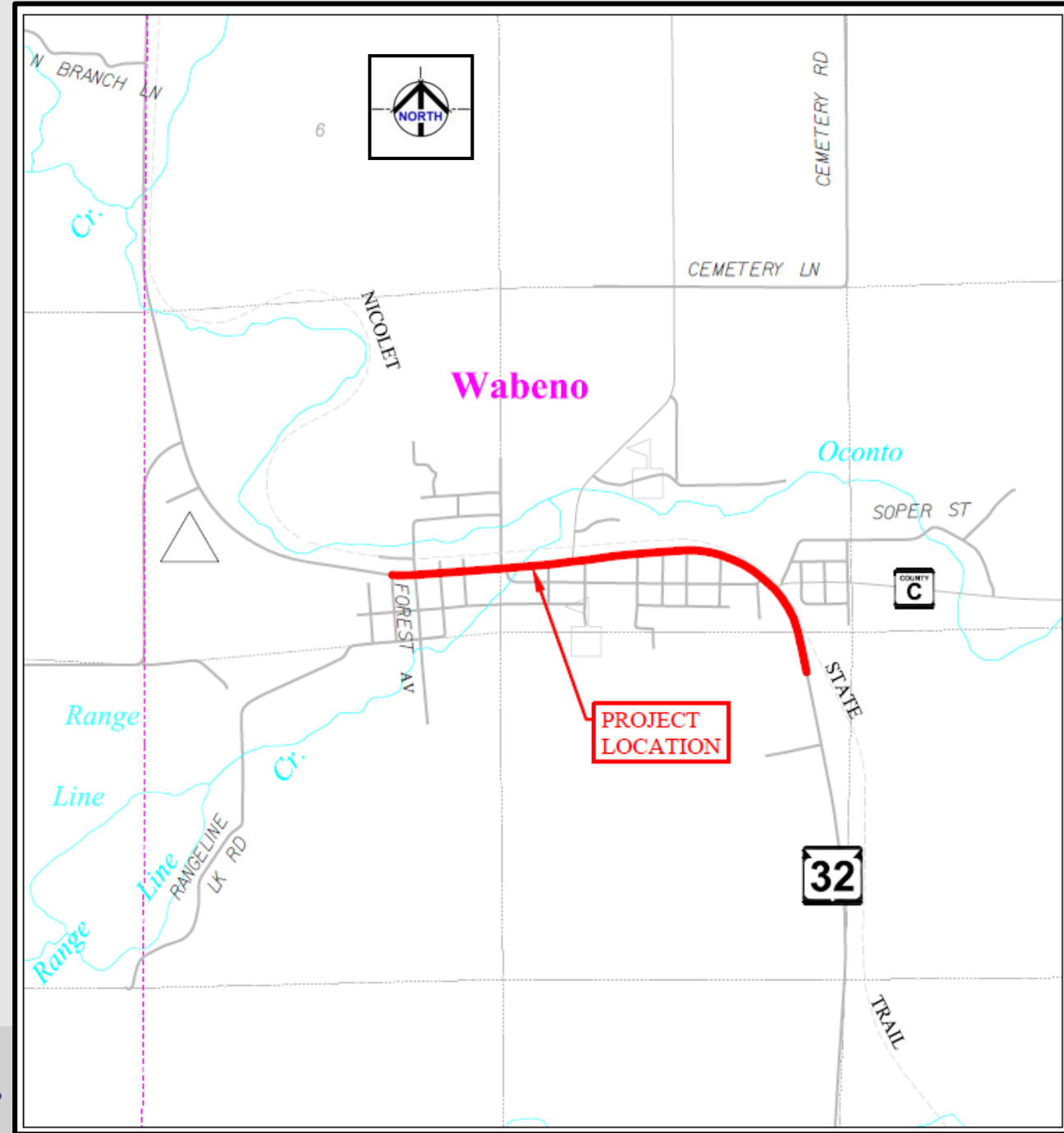
Purpose of Public Involvement

- Our objective during this public involvement period is to obtain your input on the following along WIS 32
 - Identified needs
 - Proposed improvements
 - Impacts including real estate needs



Project Location

- Town of Wabeno
- County C to Forest Avenue



Project Information

- We are proposing to improve 1.5 miles of WIS 32
- Projects needs include:
 - Deteriorating asphaltic pavement
 - Deteriorating curb and gutter, storm sewer, and culverts
 - Curb ramps do not meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards
 - Deteriorated concrete retaining wall near Jones Avenue



Project Information

- Full depth replacement of the asphaltic pavement
- Replacement of all curb and gutter
- Sidewalk improvements
 - Upgrade all curb ramps to meet ADA standards, where feasible
 - Add sidewalk between Fairview Avenue and Jones Avenue (north side)
 - Replace sidewalk from River Street to County C (south side) including a short extension to County C



Project Information

- Drainage repairs
 - Storm sewer repairs and partial replacements throughout the project
 - One culvert replacement near Forest Avenue
 - Ditch cleaning near County C to improve drainage
- Replace the retaining wall near Jones Avenue



Project Information

- The town of Wabeno has indicated that the parking is no longer used in certain locations along WIS 32
- To reduce project costs and maintenance, the roadway will be narrowed to a standard 36-foot width between the curbs:
 - Jones Avenue to Elm Avenue (south side)
 - West of Forest Avenue to Fairview Avenue (both sides)



Other Projects

- A pavement rehabilitation project (ID 9130-00-70) is scheduled on WIS 32 from the south county line to County C
 - Improve pavement on 4 miles of WIS 32
 - Improve curb and gutter and drainage in Carter
 - Pave shoulders from Carter to Sugarbush Lane for bicycles
 - Construction planned in 2023, with possible advancement to 2022
- Separate public involvement was held for this project



Proposed Traffic Impacts

- Construction is currently scheduled to begin in May 2024.
- Motorists can expect to encounter lane shifts and flagging operations with reduced lane widths.
 - WisDOT will contact homeowners and businesses for any temporary interruptions in traffic where driveways need to be replaced
- Construction is currently scheduled for completion in October 2024



Real Estate

- Minor fee and temporary (temporary limited easement) land acquisitions are required to accommodate:
 - Curb ramp and sidewalk replacements
 - Storm sewer repairs and matching slopes
- Preliminary right of way impacts are shown on the exhibits
- WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in Spring 2022



Recreational land coordination

- Temporary interests for minor grading will be required at the following areas as shown on the exhibits:
 - Wabeno School District ball diamond
 - Wabeno Logging Museum/Bandshell park
 - WDNR Nicolet State Trail
- Recreational facilities will be open during construction
 - Please offer any specific comments you may have related to the potential temporary use of these recreational lands



Project Update/Next Steps

- Local officials meeting – July 6, 2021
- Public involvement – September/October 2021
- Preliminary plans – Fall 2021
- Environmental document – Winter 2021
- Right of way plat – Winter 2022
- Real estate negotiations – Spring 2022 to Spring 2023
- Final plans – May 2023
- Construction currently scheduled – 2024



Public Input & Comments

- Provide input by October 4, 2021
 - Complete and mail comment form found in handout
 - Via online survey on project website
 - <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis32wabeno/default.aspx>
 - Via email or phone
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