

Public Involvement Handout

**WIS 22
Oconto Falls – Oconto
Younger Road – US 41
Oconto County**

Project ID: 9180-26-00



Handout Date: February 2026

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at
<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/22falls2oconto/default.aspx>

Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to your feedback.

Purpose of handout

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements on 7.46 miles of WIS 22 between Oconto Falls and Oconto in Oconto County. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed improvements, describe the potential impacts it would have on the community, and offer an opportunity for public comment.

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 and are welcomed and appreciated throughout the design process. Included at the end of this handout, as well as on the project website, is a comment form that may be used for written comments regarding the proposed improvements. You are encouraged to fill out this form and return using the pre-paid mailer attached. Comments may also be submitted via email or phone to any of the contacts listed below.

Project location

Project 9180-26-70 begins on WIS 22 from approximately 0.26 miles west of the Escanaba & Lake Superior railroad crossing and extends to the east side of the Military Road intersection. Project 9180-26-71 begins on the east side of the Military Road intersection and extends to the Copper Culture Way intersection. Overall, the project is between Oconto Falls and Oconto in Oconto County.



Project purpose and need

The purpose of the project is to address deteriorated pavement and drainage culverts and continue to maintain connectivity between Oconto Falls and Oconto by extending the service life of WIS 22.

Anticipated benefits

The project will provide motorists with a smoother riding surface resulting in decreased vehicle maintenance costs, an extended pavement structure life, improved safety and reduced need for future maintenance costs.

Proposed improvements

Proposed improvements include the following items:

- Concrete pavement repair
- Railroad pavement approach replacement
- Cold-in-place recycling of asphalt pavement
- Asphalt shoulder replacement and widening
- Curb and gutter replacement at spot locations
- Culvert replacement at 1 location

Traffic impacts

WIS 22 will be closed to through traffic from Younger Road to US 141 during concrete pavement repairs. A detour is tentatively proposed to utilize County I, County A and US 141. Overnight closures of WIS 22 from US 141 to Military Road and the US 141 on and off ramps will occur during concrete pavement repairs. Access to adjacent properties and for emergency responders will be maintained. WIS 22 will be open to traffic under flagging operations from Military Road to US 41.



Schedule

- Public Involvement: February/March 2026
- Environmental Document: Spring 2026
- Preliminary Design: 2026
- Final Design: 2027
- Construction: 2028

Real estate

Real estate acquisition is not anticipated.

Business Resource: WisDOT's In This Together program

WisDOT recognizes businesses located in work zones or impacted by detour routes have special needs. WisDOT's In This Together program is offered to business, organizations and community leaders as an idea source as they plan for road construction in their area. It includes promotional examples, case studies and a specially designed Business Coordination Guide with information on:

- Planning ahead
- Staying informed
- Keeping customers informed
- Tips for businesses
- Temporary business signing during construction
 - Businesses impacted by highway closures and detours will have an opportunity for temporary business signage during construction.

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at www.wisconsin.gov/Together.

Public input/comments

Please submit comments to WisDOT using one of the following methods so that we receive them by the comment date to be considered during design.

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this project handout and mail to WisDOT.
2. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below.
3. Call the contact below.

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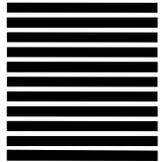
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