

Public Involvement Meeting Handout

**US 45
Main Street Bridge (B-70-56) over the Fox River
City of Oshkosh
Winnebago County**

Project ID: 4110-33-00



February 29, 2024

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/45broshkosh/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 the Main Street Bridge (B-70-56) on US 45 over the Fox River in the city of Oshkosh, Winnebago 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

The Main Street Bridge (B-70-56) over the Fox River and approaches in the city of Oshkosh in Winnebago County.

Project purpose and need

The purpose of the project is to preserve the operation of the structural, mechanical, and electrical components of the US 45 Main Street Bridge over the Fox River in the city of Oshkosh.

The existing structure and its mechanical and electrical elements have received various repairs and maintenance over its lifespan, but the structure has become deficient due to varying levels of deterioration. Many of the elements are deteriorated or have exhausted their useful service life. These include structural, mechanical, and electrical components.



Anticipated benefits

The following anticipated benefits are expected following the project's completion:

- Decreased maintenance costs associated with the structure
- Improved operation of the movable span
- Extending the life of the existing structure by replacing deteriorated and worn-out components

Proposed improvements

Proposed improvements include:

- Rehabilitate existing electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and structural components of the bascule span
- Minor repairs to the operator's house and access platforms
- Scarification (removal) and overlay of the approach span concrete deck
- Removal and replacement of the steel grid deck on the movable span.

Traffic impacts

- Closure of the bridge during construction
- A vehicle detour will be utilized. The detour is shown as the solid orange line in the image below and utilizes 9th Avenue, Oregon Street and Jackson Street.
- A pedestrian detour will also be utilized. The pedestrian detour is shown as the dashed pink line in the image below and utilizes the sidewalks along 6th Avenue, Oregon Street, Jackson Street, Division Street, Pearl Avenue and Main Street.



Schedule

- Final Design: 2024
- Construction currently scheduled in Fall 2025 – Spring 2026

Real estate

No real estate is required for this project.

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

WisDOT's In This Together website is located at www.wisconsindot.gov/Together. Note: Businesses impacted by highway closures and detours will have an opportunity for temporary business signage during construction.

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 consider during design.

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

Project contact

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WisDOT Highway Project Public Comment Form

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Please place this form in the comment box or mail by March 14, 2024, to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to william.bertrand@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: _____

Daytime Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail 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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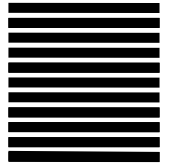
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