

Public Involvement Handout

I-41 Roadway and Structure Preservation Little Rapids Road – Harbor Lights Road Brown County

Project ID: 1130-75-00/70



Handout date: January 2026

This handout and other items are available on this project's design website at

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/i41preservation/default.aspx>

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

Purpose of handout

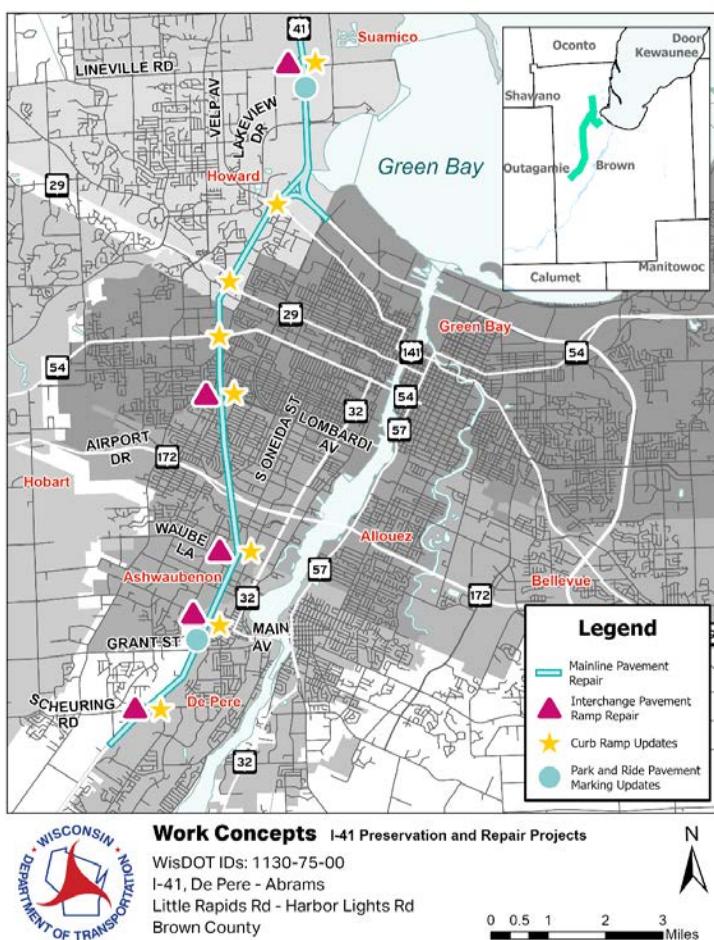
The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for proposed improvements on 13.6 miles of I-41 in Brown County from Little Rapids Road to Harbor Lights Road and extending via I-43 1950' east of N Military Avenue. The purpose of this handout is to provide information 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

I-41 from Little Rapids Road to Harbor Lights Road and extending via I-43 1950' east of N Military Avenue, in Brown County.



Project purpose and need

The purpose of the proposed action is to preserve and extend the life of the roadway and structure assets, including preserving and restoring ride quality and addressing roadway deficiencies, and to minimize overall life cycle costs of the corridor.

The needs of the proposed action include route improvements and roadway deficiencies. I-41 provides crucial north-south connectivity. Roadway deficiencies include deteriorating pavement like cracking and concrete spalling, beam guard deficiencies, structure and drainage deficiencies. Also, the pedestrian facility curb ramps do not meet current ADA standards.

Proposed improvements

The project is a perpetuation pavement preservation project of I-41 including:

- Pavement repair on 13.6 miles of I-41
- Pavement repair of some interchange ramps
- Curb ramp updates at eight interchange locations
- Park and Ride pavement marking updates at two locations
- Secondary structure repairs at eighty-four locations which includes:
 - sealing surfaces and joints
 - fixing spalling and delamination on structures
 - spot painting
- Select beam guard repairs/replacement at select locations
- Storm sewer and inlet repairs
- Select culvert pipe repairs/replacements
- Pavement marking restoration/upgrades
- Lighting luminaire upgrades

Anticipated benefits

The proposed improvements to I-41 will deliver significant long-term benefits to users and the transportation network. By restoring and repairing 13.6 miles of existing pavement, the project will preserve the roadway and its structures while substantially improving ride quality. Extensive secondary structure repairs at eighty-four locations will extend the service life of these assets. Curb ramp upgrades at interchange locations and updates to one Park and Ride facility will enhance accessibility and convenience. Overall, these perpetuation and preservation efforts will result in decreased future maintenance costs, providing a smoother, safer, and more reliable corridor for travelers.

Traffic impacts

Northbound and southbound I-41 will remain open during construction. Reducing and minimizing traffic impacts is a priority. During construction the following impacts are anticipated:

- Temporary Lane Closures
 - Traffic will remain both northbound and southbound
 - Nighttime/off-peak lane closures will occur
- Temporary Ramp Closures
 - Nighttime/off-peak closures of ramps will occur
- Various shoulder and lane shifts may be needed
- Temporary pedestrian accommodations

Schedule

- Project Initiation – begin data collection and preliminary design: 2023
- Public Involvement: January/February 2026
- Final Environmental Document Approval: Spring 2026
- Preliminary Design Complete: May 2026
- Utility Coordination: 2027
- Final Plans: May 2028
- Construction is currently scheduled to begin in 2029

Real estate

No right-of-way acquisition is anticipated 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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Brown County

Please place this form in the comment box or mail by (February 28, 2026) to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to (joshua.lang@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): _____

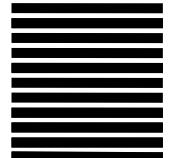
Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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