

Public Involvement Handout

**I-94
County H Bridge (B-17-0241)
Menomonie – Eau Claire
Dunn County**

Project ID: 1024-00-05 (75)



Summer 2026

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

wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/i94countyh/default.aspx

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

Project location

The County H bridge crosses I-94 on the south side of the Dunn County village of Elk Mound.

Purpose of handout

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is in the process of developing plans for the replacement of the County H bridge, which is nearing the end of its service life. The purpose of this handout is to provide information regarding the proposed project, describe the potential impacts on the community and offer an opportunity for public comment.

Project purpose and need

The purpose of this project is to preserve the function, operation and safety of this bridge – constructed in 1959 - in the overall transportation system. The primary need is to replace the deteriorating bridge.

Anticipated benefits

Replacing the bridge will preserve access and mobility for the region while reducing the likelihood of future maintenance-related closures or weight restrictions. The project is anticipated to improve roadway safety by increasing the height of the structure by about 1.5 feet and updating bridge rail, sidewalk and guardrail.

Proposed improvements

Proposed improvements include:

- Replacing the existing bridge with a new two-span bridge
 - The new structure will be long enough to accommodate a future six-lane interstate.
- Raising the structure by about 1.5 feet
- Reconstructing roadway approaches on either side of the bridge

Traffic impacts

County H will be closed during construction using a posted detour route. Four lanes of traffic will be maintained on I-94 during much of construction. Intermittent single-lane closures during off-peak travel times and nighttime full closures will be necessary to complete certain construction operations.



Schedule

- Environmental document: August 2026
- Project design: 2026 through 2028
- Construction: Currently scheduled for 2029

Real estate

Permanent and temporary real estate acquisition will be necessary to complete the project. The WisDOT real estate team will contact affected property owners.

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 businesses, 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
- 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

WisDOT is seeking public input on the project, which will assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public and the local community. Comments can be submitted at the public involvement meeting. They also can be submitted to Jessica Doud, the WisDOT project manager, through Aug. 15 by:

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