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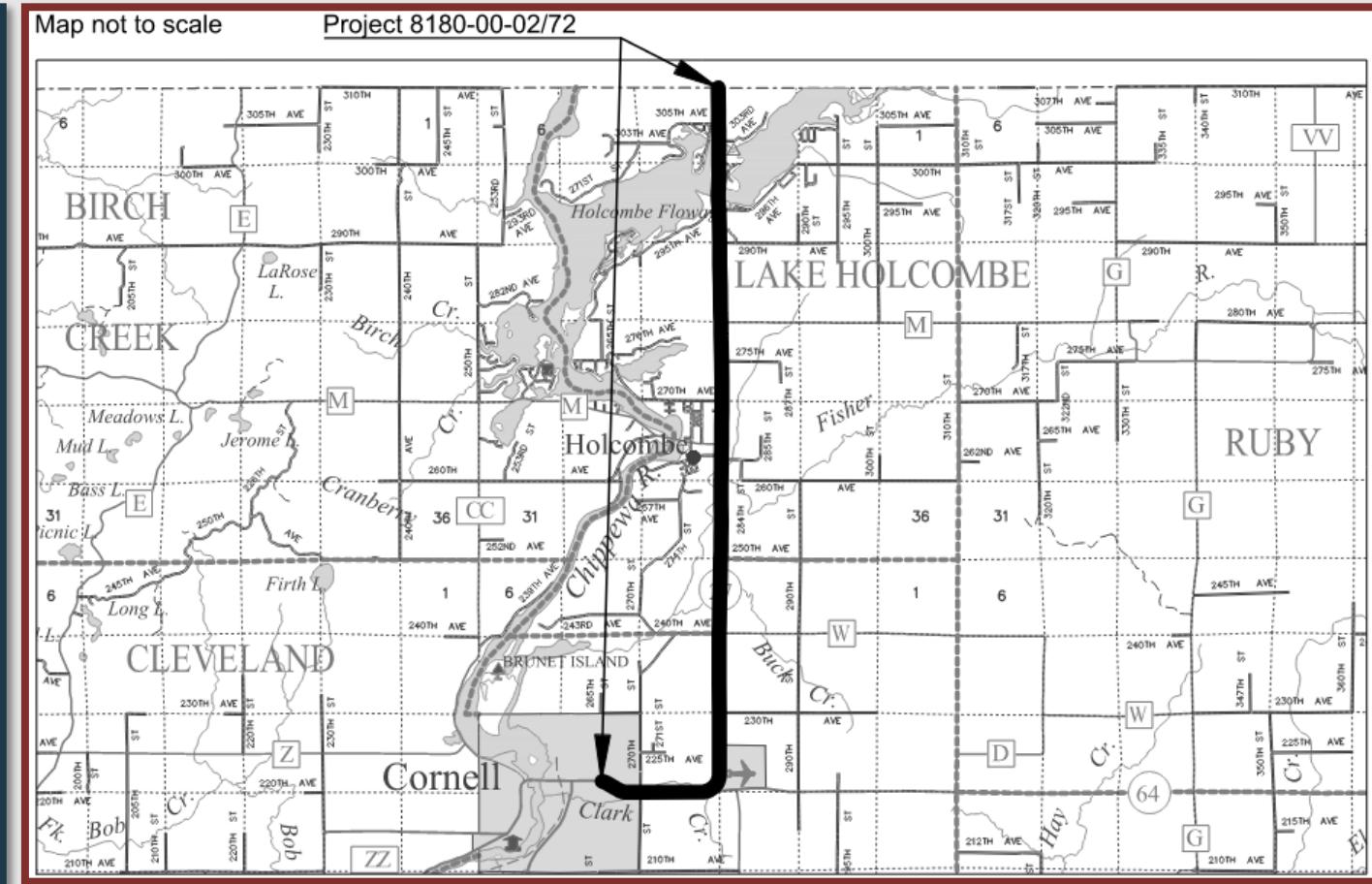
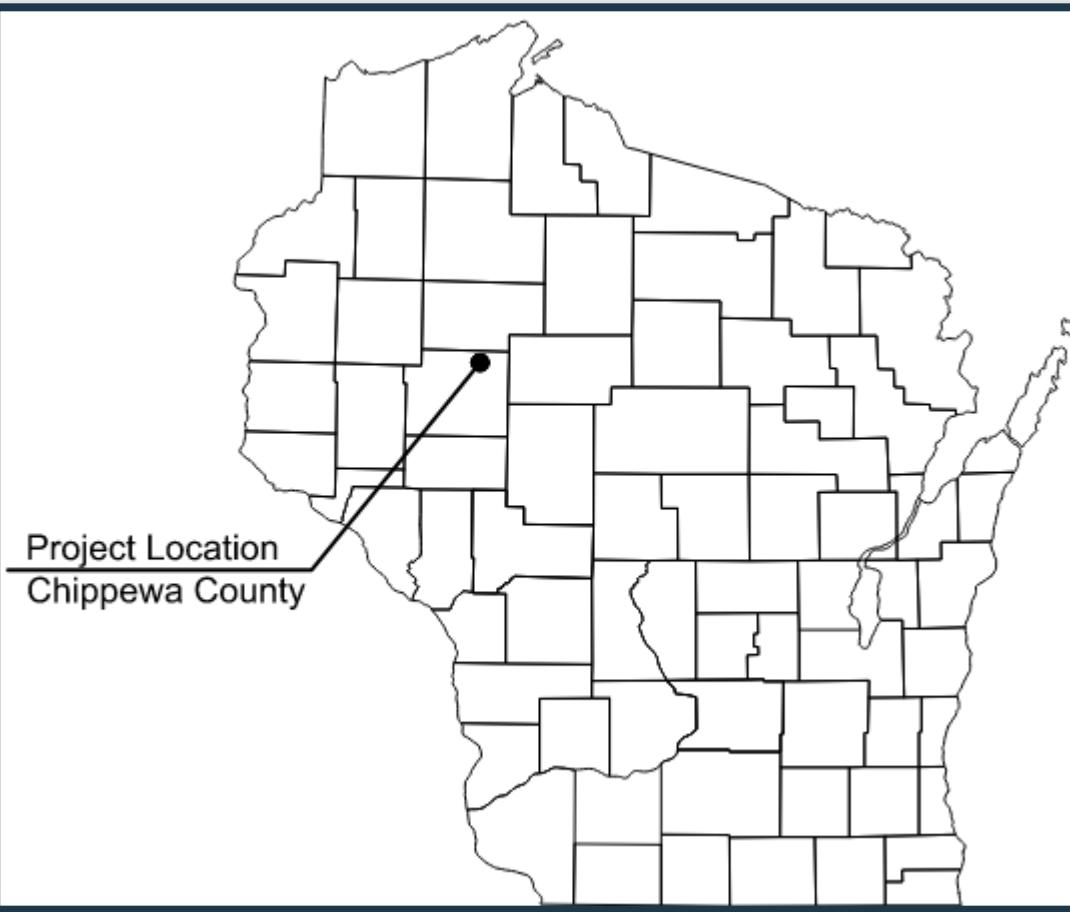
**WIS 27**

Cornell to Ladysmith

Chippewa County

December 2025/January 2026

# Project Location





# Presentation Agenda

- Project Purpose and Need
- Proposed Improvements
- Traffic Impacts
- Real Estate
- Schedule
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# Project Purpose and Need

## Pavement Deterioration





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## Culvert Maintenance





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## Buck Creek Culvert (C-09-30)





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## Guardrail Replacement



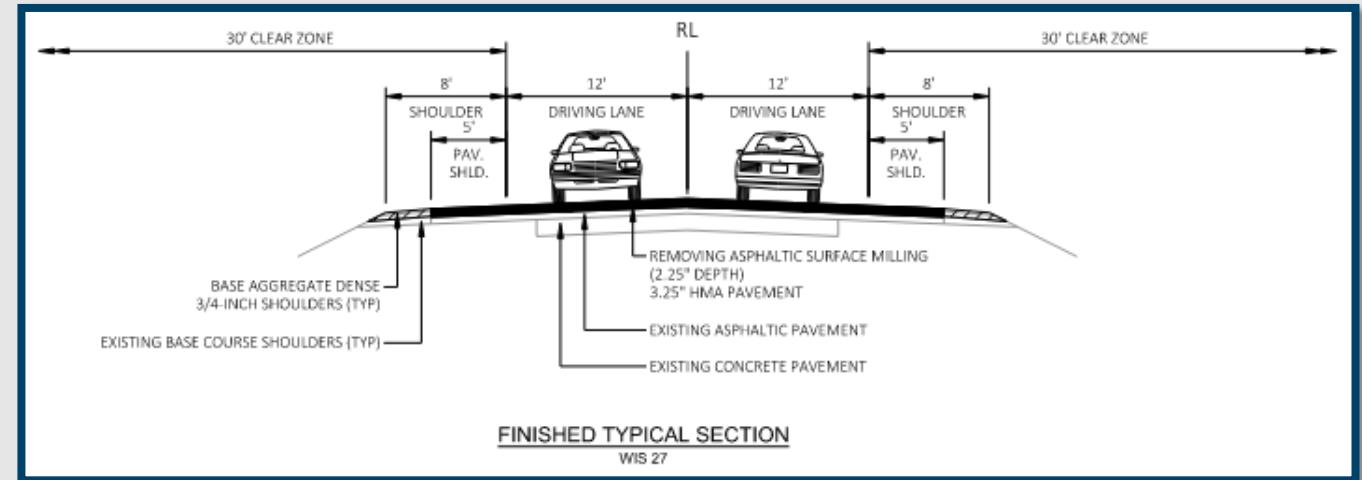


# Proposed Improvements

## Asphaltic Pavement

### South 8<sup>th</sup> Street to WIS 64 East

- Mill 2.25 inches of existing asphaltic pavement
- Pave 3.25 inches of hot-mix asphalt
- Install centerline and shoulder rumble strips
- Replenish gravel shoulders



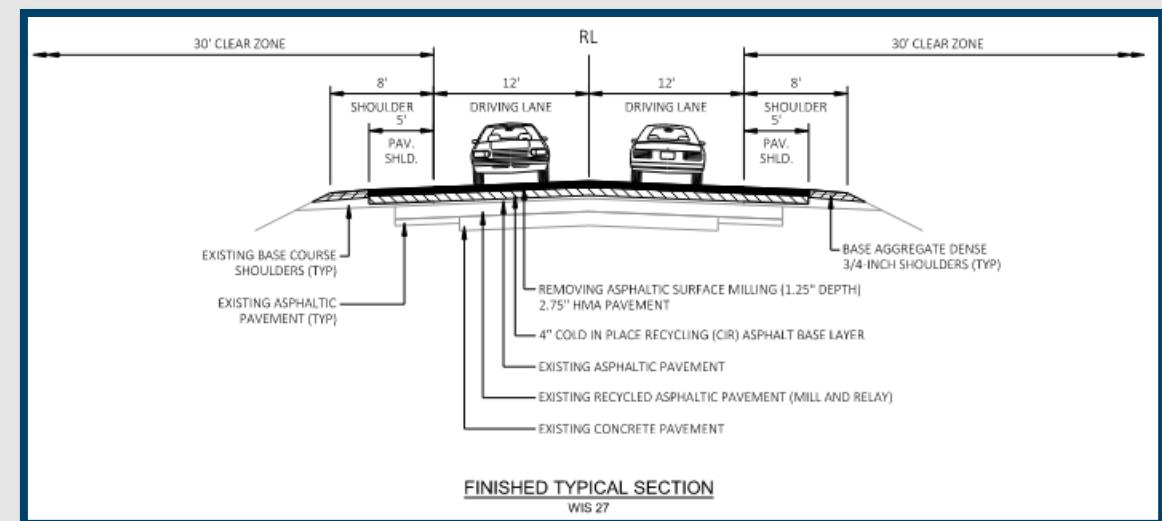


# Proposed Improvements

## Asphaltic Pavement

### WIS 64 East to Holcombe Flowage Bridge

- Mill and recycle 1.25 inches of existing asphaltic pavement
- Mix the milled pavement with stabilizing agents
- Pave 2.75 inches of hot-mix asphalt
- Install centerline and shoulder rumble strips
- Replenish gravel shoulders

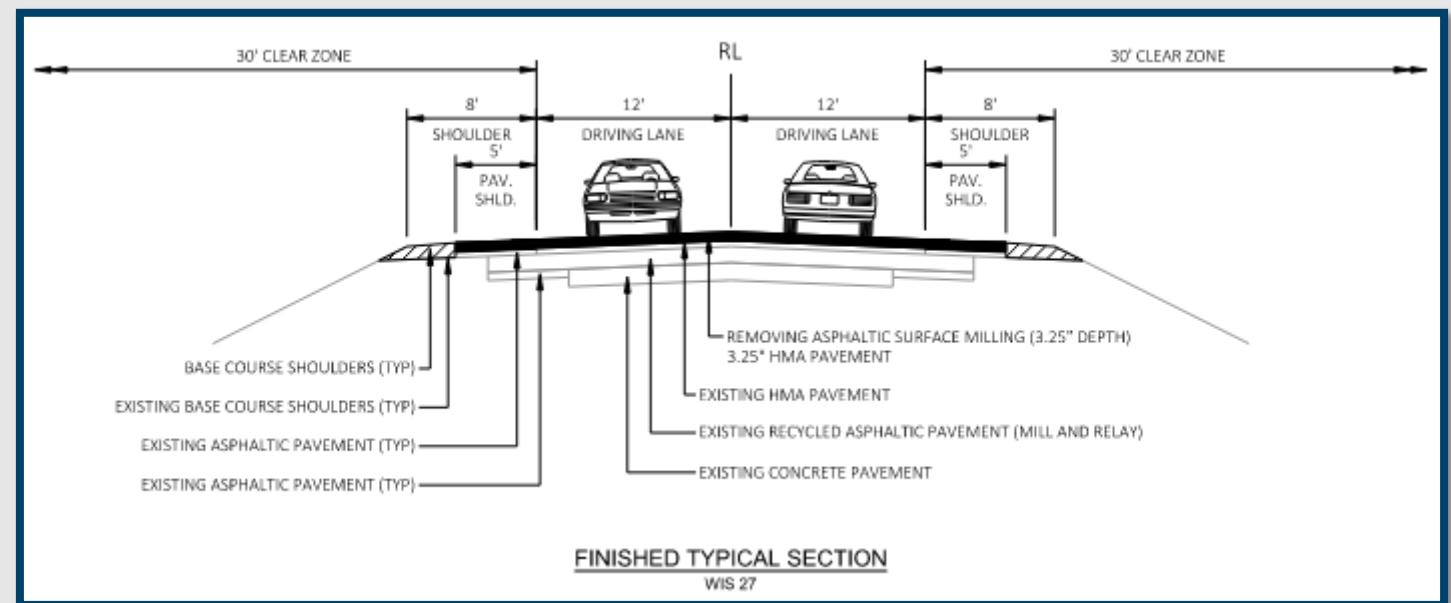


# Proposed Improvements

## Asphaltic Pavement

### Holcombe Flowage Bridge to End Project

- Mill 3.25 inches of existing asphaltic pavement
- Pave 3.25 inches of hot-mix asphalt
- Install centerline and shoulder rumble strips
- Replenish gravel shoulders





# Proposed Improvements

## Drainage

- Complete culvert and ditch work:
  - Clean ditches near culverts to provide proper drainage
  - Clean, repair or replace culvert pipes
    - This includes constructing a temporary bypass road and structure, removing the culvert that carries Buck Creek under WIS 27, replacing the structure with a twin-cell box culvert and removing the temporary bypass.

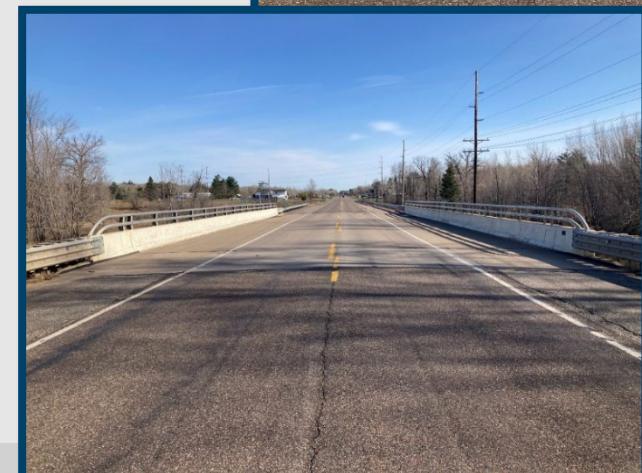
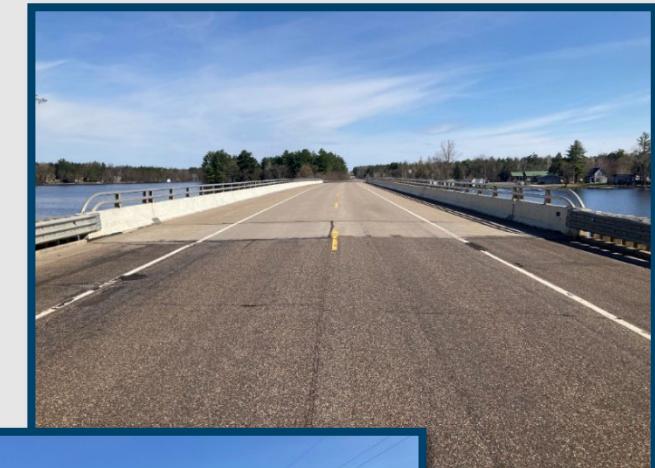




# Proposed Improvements

## Bridges and Guardrail

- Placing a polymer overlay on the decks of the Holcombe Flowage and Fisher River bridges
- Completing the following guardrail work:
  - Installing a new system of guardrail
  - Grading slopes to meet current standards

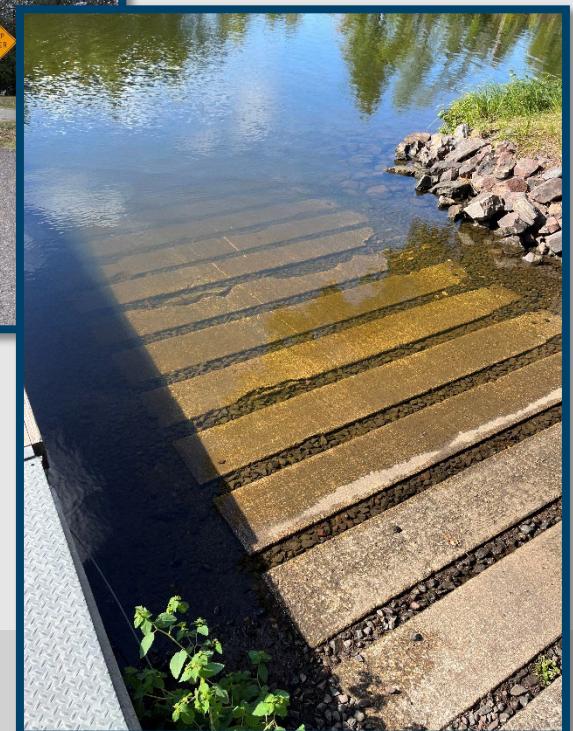
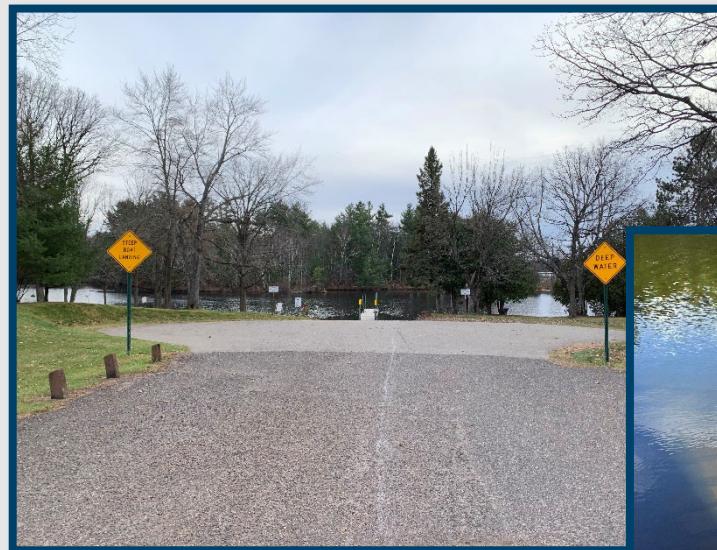




# Proposed Improvements

## Wayside / Boat Landing

- Resurface existing pavement
  - Mill 2 inches of existing asphaltic pavement
  - Pave 2 inches of hot-mix asphalt
- Replace the boat landing launch
  - Cast-in-place concrete ramp
  - Push-in-place concrete ramp





# Proposed Improvements

## Wayside / Boat Landing

- Repair dock
- Abandon a well
- Replace driveway culverts
- Place new pavement markings





# Traffic Impacts

- During resurfacing and completing guardrail and most culvert work:
  - Roadway to remain open to through traffic
  - Motorists to encounter daytime single-lane closures controlled by flagging operations
- During milling, recycling and paving work:
  - Motorists to encounter moving flagging operations and additional flaggers at intersecting roadways
  - Short-term single driveway closures when operations are in the immediate vicinity





# Traffic Impacts

- During replacement of the Buck Creek culvert:
  - Single lane of traffic using a bypass roadway with temporary structure (west side) controlled by temporary traffic signals
- During the polymer overlay of Holcombe Flowage and Fisher River bridge decks:
  - Single-lane closures controlled by temporary traffic signals





# Real Estate

- **FEE**

- Permanent land purchase of a portion of a property by WisDOT for highway needs

- **TLE (Temporary Limited Easement)**

- Temporary land purchase of a portion of a property by WisDOT for construction needs; disturbed areas restored during construction

- **Access**

- No changes to existing access expected





# Schedule

- Began preliminary design: Winter 2024
- Complete preliminary design and environmental process: Winter 2025-26
- Record the plat: May 2026
- Acquire necessary real estate: Summer 2026 to fall 2027
- Submit final plan and estimate: November 2027
- Complete construction: Spring to late fall 2028





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