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RE: Online Public Involvement
Project IDs: 7520-00-08, 7520-00-09
WIS 95, Structures B-27-0234, B-27-0808
Jackson County

Please join us in the public involvement phase for projects 7520-00-08 and 7520-00-09 to discuss the proposed improvements to bridges B-27-0234 and B-27-0808 on WIS 95 between Blair and Merrillan in Jackson County.

In-person Public Involvement Meetings (PIM) are the typical form of getting community input on projects, but they currently are not being held to slow the spread of COVID-19 based on the most current health information from state, federal and local health departments. In place of a traditional meeting, public involvement efforts have moved online and include a prerecorded presentation, handout and additional project information, which are available for review at:

- <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/wis95jackson/default.aspx>

If you have an interest in or any concerns about these projects, please review the brief project description below along with the project materials provided online. **If you have any questions, comments or input after reviewing project information please send them in any of these three formats:**

- Email or call me - WisDOT Project Manager Jessica Bowker – at Jessica.Bowker@dot.wi.gov or 715-577-2963.
- Print, fill out and mail the comment form on the website to Jessica Bowker, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, 718 W. Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701.

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.

The proposed projects would include the following:

- Removal of the existing roadway, guardrail and bridges
- Construction of new concrete bridges and roadway
- Installation of new guardrail and seed, fertilizer and e-mat placed on slopes

The purpose of these projects is to maintain safe travel along WIS 95. The projects are needed to address the following:

- Structure deterioration
- Meeting current design standards for roads and bridges
- Drainage on the bridges

The improvement projects are currently scheduled to begin in the summer of 2023, and the current proposed traffic control is a detour using I-94 and US 12/WIS 27, which will make construction safer and more efficient.

Sincerely,

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