



WIS 38 (Northwestern Ave) Bridge Over Root River Reconstruction

Racine County

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETING

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 (4 to 6:30 p.m.)

Project Location

WIS 38 between County MM and Rapids Drive



Project Purpose

To address the deteriorated bridge structure built over the Root River, and to improve overall traffic operations and safety within the project corridor.

Scope

- Replace the over 60-year-old bridge with a brand-new bridge
- Replace pavement between County MM and Rapids Drive
- Reconfigure WIS 38 and Rapids Drive intersection for improved traffic flow
- Install new traffic signal equipment at WIS 38 and Rapids Drive intersection
- Provide sidewalks and wider shoulders for bike usage between County MM and Rapids Drive

Construction Sequence & Schedule

To accommodate traffic, bridge will be partially open during construction, and it will be built in stages.

- Stage 1 – Construction of the northern section of the bridge & Rapids Drive Occurs between May and November of 2024
- Stage 2 – Construction of the southern section of the bridge Occurs between June and October of 2025

Traffic Impacts

- Traffic will be reduced to a single lane in each direction
- Traffic back-ups with long queues up to ½ mile are anticipated
- Left-turns will be prohibited at certain locations
- To avoid traffic delays, motorists are encouraged to use the posted alternate route via Spring Street

In-water Work Restrictions

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has set restrictions on when the instream construction work can be performed on the project. This influences when construction can take place during certain times of the year.

Public Involvement

The public is encouraged to provide valuable input by sharing comments on forms available at the meeting. The public can also provide comments through WisDOT's webpage using a smart phone with the QR code at the bottom of this page or using a computer to enter the project webpage address:

<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/se/38rootriver/default.aspx>

We're In This Together for Businesses

Do you have a business along the corridor? Check out the ["In This Together"](https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/in-together/default.aspx) program at <https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/in-together/default.aspx> or use the QR code and link on the project's webpage. The "In This Together" program is designed to help businesses and community leaders to connect with project contacts, discuss any potential obstacles specific to each business, and strategize for success during construction.

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