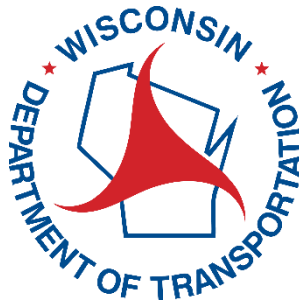


# Public Involvement Meeting Handout

**County T  
Blue River to Port Andrew  
Wisconsin River Bridges  
Grant & Richland Counties**

Project ID: 5199-01-01/81



**January 24, 2024  
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
Blue River Community Building**

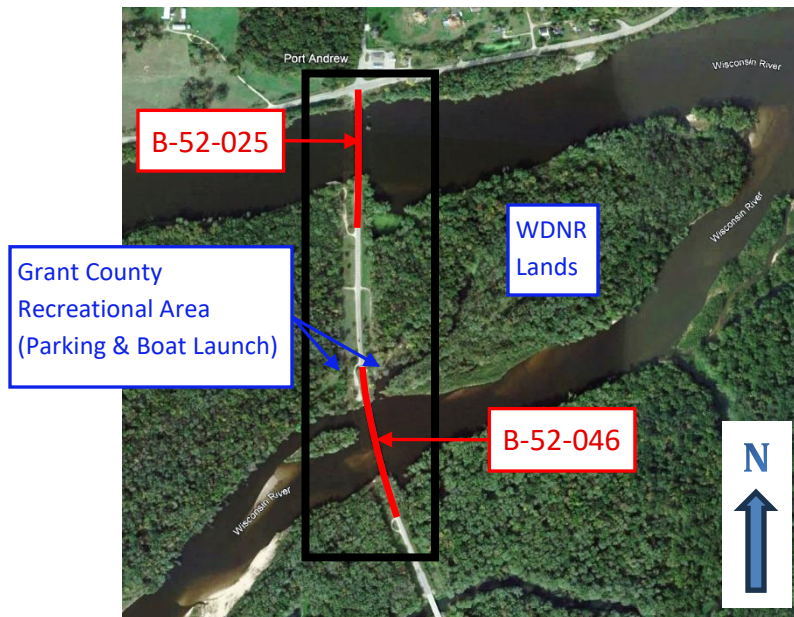
## Purpose of the Meeting

Welcome to the public involvement meeting for County T.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is planning improvements to County T between Blue River and Port Andrew.

The purpose of public involvement is to:

- Present design concepts for the proposed improvements along County T
- Address impacts to traffic during construction
- Obtain your input on the proposed improvements



## Project Information

The project is along County T and begins 0.9 miles north of WIS 133 in Grant County and ends at the intersection of WIS 60 in Richland County.

The preferred project alternative includes the replacement of both County T bridges over the Wisconsin River. Additional improvements include bridge approach replacement, guardrail replacement, and pavement markings.

Section 4(f) properties include, but are not limited to, parks and recreational areas of national, state, or local significance that are publicly owned and open to the public. Properties meeting this designation within the project limits include the following:

- Grant County Recreational Area
  - Parking area on west side of the highway
  - Boat launch on east side of the highway
- DNR Property

Temporary access impacts to the recreational area are expected during construction. Any permanent changes to these facilities, if needed, are anticipated to be minor. Impacts to the DNR property are not expected.

An environmental document is being prepared to address potential impacts to environmental resources along the project corridor.

The anticipated construction time for this project is fall 2026 with completion possibly extending into 2028 as each structure could take up to 6 months to construct.

## Proposed Traffic Impacts

A detour route will be used for the replacement of the structures over the Wisconsin River. During construction, County T will be closed to traffic during construction. The proposed detour route will either use WIS 60, WIS 80, and WIS 133 for both westbound and eastbound traffic or WIS 60, US 61 and WIS 133. The detour is expected to be in place for approximately 25 weeks per bridge closure.

## Real Estate

No real estate acquisitions are expected for the project.

## Project update/next steps

Local Officials Meeting	December 4, 2023
Public Involvement Meeting	January 24, 2024
Environmental Document	Fall 2024
Final Plans	May 2026
Construction	Fall 2026 – Possibly into 2028

## Public Input/Comments

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before **February 26, 2024**, or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also e-mail your comments to the contacts listed below. Project information, including the comment form, is also available via the project website:

<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/county-t-bridges/default.aspx>



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.

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