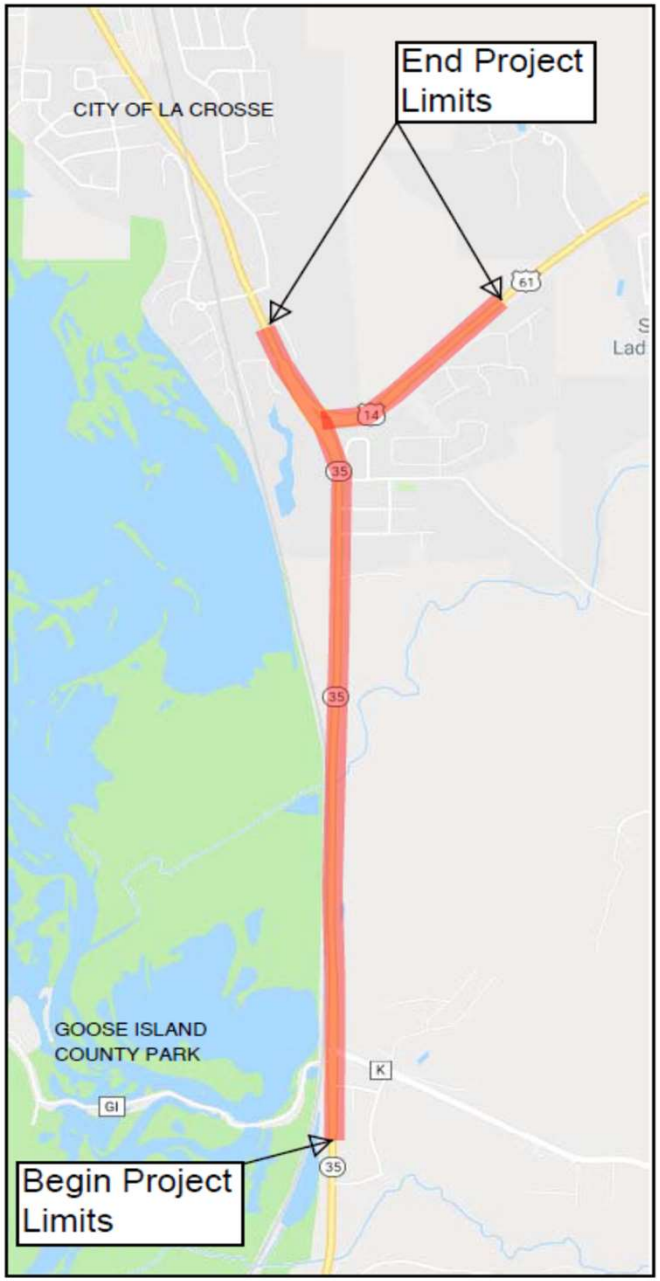
Welcome

WIS 35
(La Crosse County Line to Garner Place)
La Crosse County
Public Involvement Meeting

February 6, 2020
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Project Location

- WIS 35 from La Crosse County Line to Garner Place
- US 14/US 61 from WIS 35 to 1,000' northeast of Fireclay Court



Proposed Improvements

<u>WIS 35</u>

- Reconstruct WIS 35 from La Crosse County Line to Garner Place
- Project will be constructed in two different segments
  - Southern – La Crosse County Line to Sunnyside Drive
  - Northern – Sunnyside Drive to Garner Place
- Existing shared use path on west side from Sunnyside Drive to Garner Place will be replaced

Proposed Improvements

US 14

- Reconstruct US 14/US 61 from WIS 35 to 1,000' northeast of Fireclay Court
- Will be constructed with the northern segment
- New sidewalk will be constructed on the east side of WIS 35 and south side of US 14/US 61 from Riverview Drive to the Fireclay Court neighborhood

Proposed Improvements

WIS 35 at US 14/61

- Multi-lane roundabout with bypass lanes for southbound through and northbound right turns

WIS 35 at Sunnyside Drive

- Single-lane roundabout providing access to Southern Bluff's Elementary

Proposed Improvements to WIS 35 and US 14/US 61 Intersection

- Reconstruct WIS 35 and US 14/US 61 intersection with a multi-lane roundabout:

Roundabout at WIS 35 and US 14/US 61 Intersection

- Provides for high Level of Service (LOS)
  - AM Peak LOS = **A** (For Design Year 2041)
  - PM Peak LOS = **B** (For Design Year 2041)
- Provides free-flow at lower speeds through roundabout
- Provides free-flow westbound to northbound right turn lane bypass
- Accommodates OSOW trucks

Roundabout at WIS 35 and US 14/US 61 Intersection

- Provides a traffic calming effect which can help control speeds in area
- Reduces vehicle crash severity
  - Reduces injury crashes by 38%
- Provides two-staged pedestrian crossings
  - Reduces pedestrian crashes by about 75%*
- No impacts to adjacent properties

** Insurance Institute for Highway Safety*

Proposed Improvements to WIS 35 and Sunnyside Drive Intersection

- Reconstruct WIS 35 and Sunnyside Drive intersection with a single-lane roundabout:
- Provides for high Level of Service (LOS)
  - AM Peak LOS = **B** (For Design Year 2042)
  - PM Peak LOS = **B** (For Design Year 2042)

Proposed Improvements to Local Side Street Intersections

- Reconstruct Old Town Hall Road, Riverview Drive, and Sunnyside Drive intersections with a center raised median on WIS 35 between Sunnyside Drive and US 14 with new roundabout at WIS 35 and Sunnyside Drive intersection

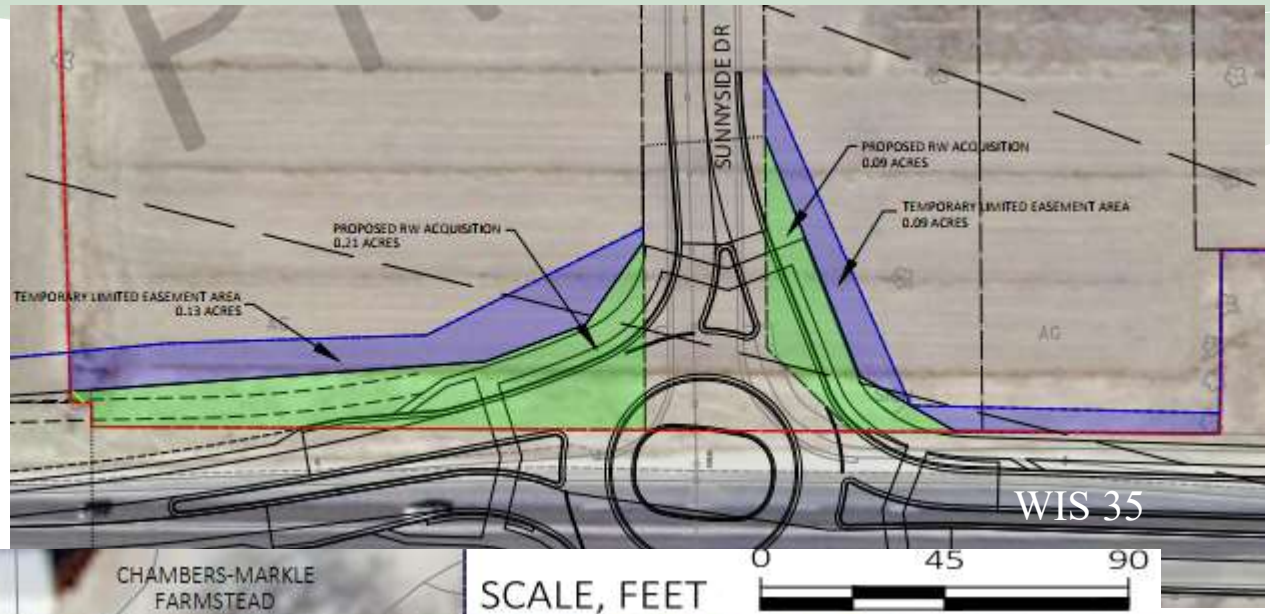
Center Raised Median with Roundabout at Sunnyside Drive

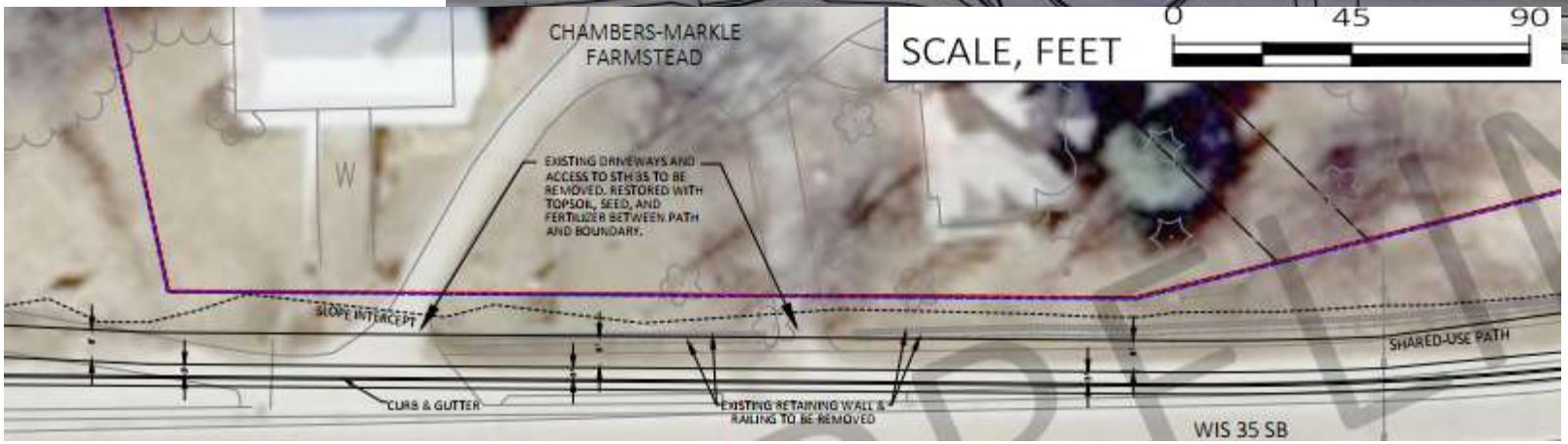
- Provides for high Level of Service
- Provides traffic calming as vehicles enter the urban area
- Reduces vehicle crash severity
- Accommodates development across from Sunnyside Drive
- Moves mid-block pedestrian crossing near Riverview Drive to Sunnyside Drive near school

Proposed Impacts at Chambers-Markle Farmstead Property

- Acquire approximately 0.30 acres of right of way along with strips of temporary limited easement from the Chambers-Markle Farmstead historical property with construction of the roundabout at WIS 35 and Sunnyside Drive intersection
- 8’ shared-use path and 3’ terrace will be constructed in front of the farmstead buildings and a 10’ shared-use path beyond matching current conditions
- Existing retaining wall and railing in front of the historic boundary will be removed

Proposed Impacts at Chambers-Markle Farmstead Property

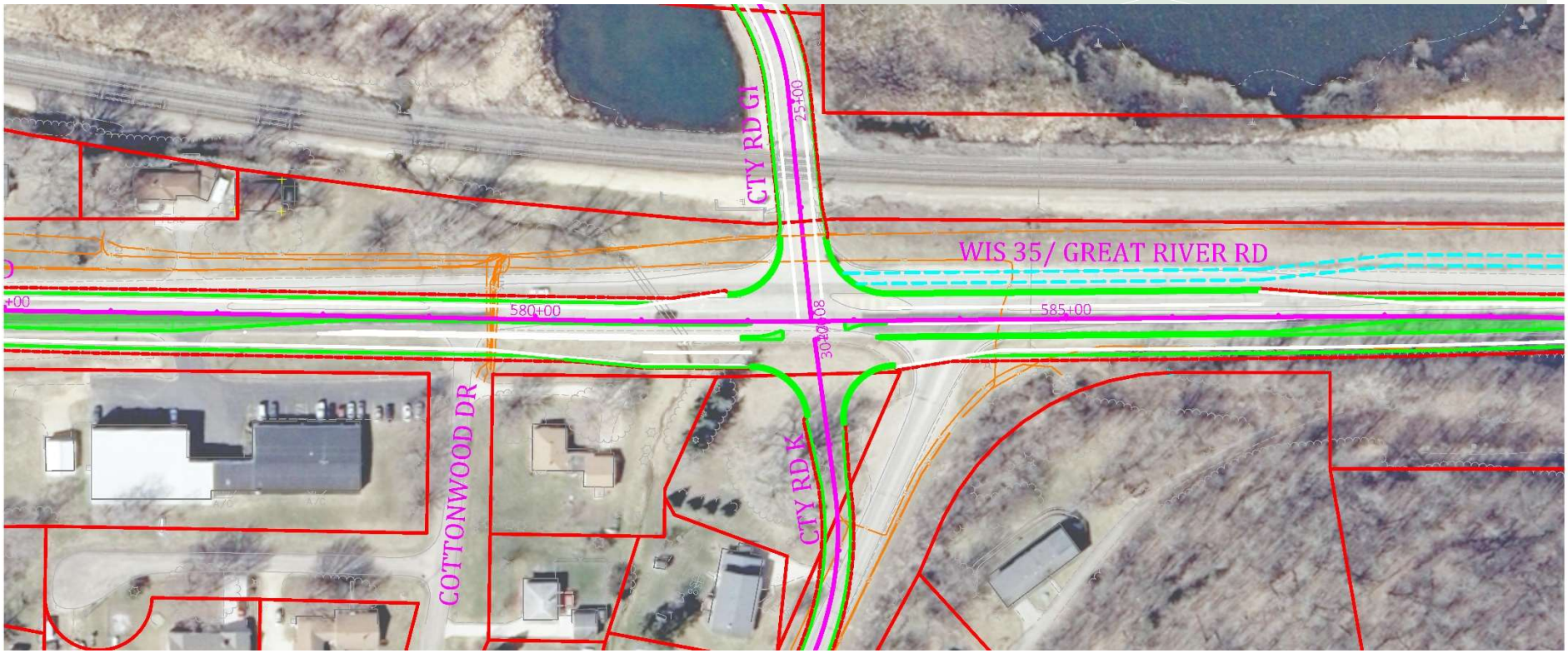




Proposed Improvements to WIS 35/County GI/County K Intersection

- Realign County K to line up with County GI for a 4-legged intersection
- Shift the new WIS 35/County GI/County K intersection to the east to increase storage distance between WIS 35 and the railroad crossing on County GI
- Widen intersection to provide offset left turn lanes
- Add right turn lanes for both northbound and southbound WIS 35

WIS 35/County GI/County K Intersection



Other Proposed Corridor Improvements

- New storm sewer system through urban sections
- Replace culvert pipes through rural sections
- Widen and resurface the existing bridge over Mormon Creek to accommodate the WIS 35 roadway shift and future shared-use path
- New permanent signing and pavement marking along with directional signing to Mt La Crosse ski hill

Traffic Control

- The following will be constructed in stages while open to traffic:
  - WIS 35 Corridor
  - US 14/US 61 Corridor
  - WIS 35 and Garner Place Intersection
  - WIS 35 and Calvert Road Intersection
  - WIS 35 and US 14/US 61 Intersection
  - WIS 35 and County GI/County K Intersection
  - US 14/US 61 and Fireclay Court intersection

Traffic Control

- Old Town Hall Road, Riverview Drive, and Sunnyside Drive will be constructed on an open/closed alternating basis
- Temporary access to adjacent businesses and residences will be provided and maintained during construction
- Temporary signals will be used during construction at the intersection of WIS 35 and US 14/US 61.

Real Estate

- Proposed improvements will require strip acquisition of new and temporary right of way at various locations along corridor for grading slopes and roundabout construction
- Approximately 22 parcels are anticipated to be impacted with the project.

Total permanent right-of-way acreage is approximately: 0.38 acres

Total temporary right of way acreage is approximately: 1.35 acres

Public Involvement Activities

- Dates of Local Official Meetings
  - February 14, 2018
  - January 21, 2020
  - October/November 2020
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  - February 21, 2018
  - February 6, 2020
  - October/November 2020

Project Schedule

- LOM #2 and PIM #2 – January/February 2020
- LOM #3 and PIM #3 – October/November 2020
- Final roadway plans – August 2021
- Construction (Northern Segment) – 2022
- Advanced Construction (Southern Segment) – 2023
- Construction (Southern Segment) – 2025

Conclusion

Thank you for your participation!

Please review the meeting exhibits,
discuss the project with available staff,
and fill out the comment forms.