Public Involvement

WIS 82 La Farge – Hillsboro Kickapoo River to WIS 33 Vernon County Project ID: 5710-00-02/72



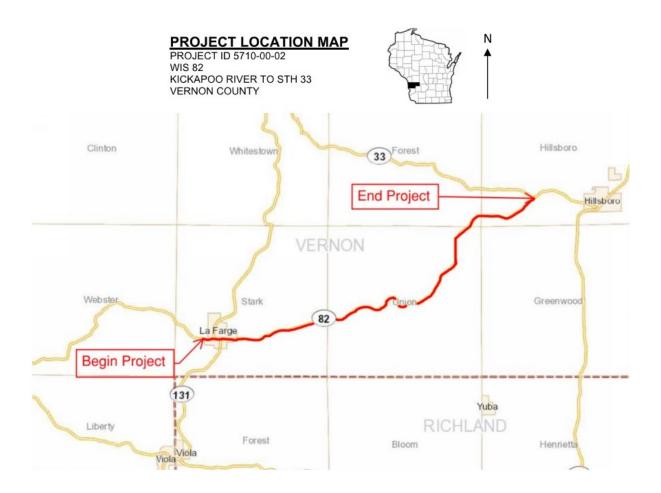
Public Comment Period: May/June 2022

This handout and other items are available on the design website.

Thank you for your interest in this project, we look forward to your feedback.

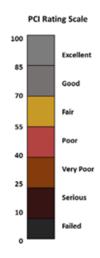
Purpose

Our objective is to obtain your input on the identified needs, proposed improvements, and real estate needs along WIS 82 through the Village of La Farge and Towns of Forest, Hillsboro, Stark, and Union in Vernon County (see project location map below)



Purpose and need for roadway improvements

The WIS 82 pavement is showing signs of extensive alligator cracking. The pavement has been overlaid several times. The existing Pavement Condition Index (PCI), a nationally accepted standard used to assess and measure the quality of the roadway pavement, ranged from a minimum of 18 to a maximum of 41, which rates as serious to poor (see PCI rating scale below). The existing International Roughness Index (IRI), a measure of the fluctuation in the longitudinal roadway profile, measures between a minimum of 130 to a maximum of 249, which rates from acceptable to unacceptable (see FHWA IRI categories below). Treatment is needed to address the existing pavement.



FHWA IRI Categories	
Roughness Category	IRI Value
	 of teach / with
Good	<= 95 inch/ mile
Good Acceptable	<= 95 inch/ mile < = 170 inch/mile

Proposed improvements

- Milling and removal of the top 2 inches of the existing pavement and then pulverizing 4-inches of the remaining pavement, relaying the material, and placing 3.5-inches of new pavement
- Upgrade and adjustment of existing guardrail
- Replace culvert C-62-0327 (culvert crossing WIS 82 just east of the intersection of WIS 82 and North Elm Street in the Village of La Farge)
- Surface repairs to B-62-0051 (Bridge over the Kickapoo River)
- Replacement of the southeast wing of structure B-62-0238 (WIS 82 over Branch North Bear Creek) located just east of the intersection of WIS 82 and Canyon Avenue in the Town of Union

Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. This will include small areas of permanent (fee) and temporary (temporary limited easement) land acquisitions to accommodate the curb ramp improvements and replacement of culvert C-62-0327. Estimated right of way impacts are shown on the exhibits posted on the project website.

A landowner rights pamphlet is available on the project website. Real estate acquisition is expected to begin in 2022. Direct mailings and coordination will occur with impacted property owners.

Proposed traffic impacts

The improvement project is currently scheduled for construction in 2027 but may be built as early as 2025, if funding is available. WIS 82 will be closed and through traffic will be routed around the project via WIS 131, WIS 56, and WIS 80.

Access to adjacent properties will be maintained during construction. Brief interruptions in access may occur temporarily at driveways. The contractor will be required to notify homeowners and businesses prior to construction.

Project update/next steps

- 30% plans
- Local official meeting/Public Involvement Meeting
- Environmental document
- Preliminary plans/Plans to Utilities
- Right of way plat
- Real estate negotiations
- Final plans
- Construction currently scheduled

February 2022 May 2022 August 2022 August 2022 August 2022 Fall/Winter 2022 May 1, 2024 2025 (earliest) 2027 (as scheduled)

Project design website

Access the following materials on the project design website.

- Project background
- Comment form to mail
- Project presentation and exhibits
- Landowner Rights brochure

How to provide your input

There are several ways to submit your feedback by June 17, 2022

- 1. Fill out the comment form attached to this document and mail it to WisDOT
- 2. Complete the fillable pdf on the project website and mail it to WisDOT
- 3. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below

Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

Deaf or hard of hearing persons needing assistance should contact the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay system (dial 711).

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