Public Involvement

WIS 17 US 8 to Stevens Street Oneida County Project ID: 9040-03-01



July 19, 2021 to August 2, 2021

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Purpose

The purpose of the WIS 17 public involvement is to:

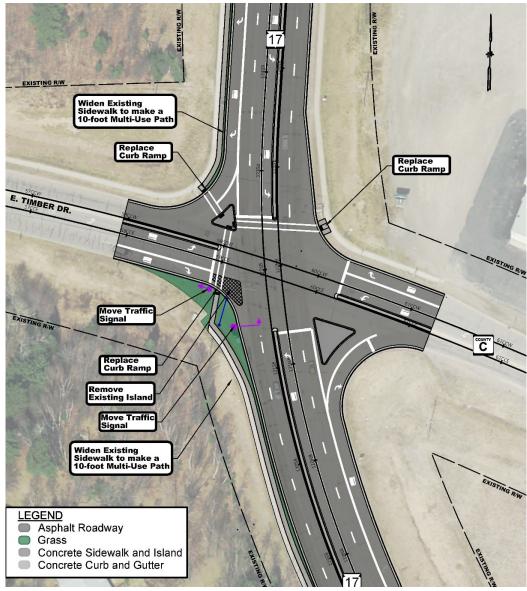
- Present information regarding the current condition and needs of the roadway
- Provide information on the proposed improvements to WIS 17
- Obtain your input and answer your questions.

Project Information

We are proposing to improve 3.12 miles of WIS 17. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve safety and maintainability of an important state highway in northern Wisconsin.

Proposed improvements include:

- Replacement of the asphalt pavement and curb and gutter for WIS 17 from US 8 to Stevens Street.
 - From US 8 to approximately a half mile south of Lincoln Street, the existing asphalt pavement will be pulverized, approximately 3-inches of pulverized material will be removed, and the roadway will be paved with a new asphalt pavement.
 - From approximately a half mile south of Lincoln Street to 250 feet north of Stevens Street the existing asphalt pavement, base course, and curb and gutter will be removed. New base course, curb and gutter, and asphaltic pavement will be constructed.
 - WIS 17 will follow the existing horizontal alignment and profile.
 - The project will repair damaged inlets and manholes during construction.
 - The existing signals and intersection configurations will remain the same, except for the changes at Timer Drive discussed below.
- Widening of the existing 5-foot-wide sidewalk along the west side of WIS 17 from Lincoln Street to Stevens Street to be a 10-foot-wide multi-use path. The wider multi-use path will provide bike accommodations along WIS 17 where shoulders are not present.
- Extending the sidewalk along Stevens Street from N Chippewa Drive to WIS 17 to connect the sidewalk along Stevens Street and WIS 17.
- Replacement of the existing curb ramps along WIS 17 with curb ramps that meet current ADA standards.
- Removal of the island and straighten the right turn lane in the southwest corner of the of the Timer Drive intersection. The revised intersection would provide a safer intersection by improving visibility for right turning vehicles turning on to WIS 17.



Proposed Timber Drive Improvements

The approximate cost of the proposed construction improvements is between \$7 to \$7.5 million.

Proposed traffic impacts

During construction, WIS 17 – between US 8 and a half a mile south of Lincoln Street will be constructed with daytime lane closures under flagging operations. From a half mile south of Lincoln Street to north of Stevens Street WIS 17 will be constructed half at a time. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction on one side of the roadway while the other half is constructed. Temporary signals will be at the Lincoln Street, Eisenhower Parkway, Timber Drive and Stevens Street intersections.

Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. The additional right of way is needed for the sidewalk widening along the west side of WIS 17 from Lincoln Drive to just north of Eisenhower Drive. WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in Fall 2021.

Project update/next steps

Local officials meeting	June 2, 2021
Public involvement	June/July 2021
Preliminary plans	August 2021
Environmental document	August 2021
Final right of way plat	August 2021
Real estate negotiations	Fall 2021
Final plans	August 1, 2022
Construction currently scheduled	Summer 2023

Public input/comments

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.

There are several ways to submit your input by August 2, 2021:

- 1. Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT
- 2. Complete the fillable online survey on the project website
 - a. <u>https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis17oneida/default.aspx</u>
- 3. Email comments or questions to the contact(s) listed below

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For more information, please contact:

Nick Vos, P.E. WisDOT Project Manager Wisconsin Department of Transportation 510 N. Hanson Lake Road Rhinelander, WI 54501 715-365-5782 <u>Nicholas.Vos@dot.wi.gov</u>

Public Involvement Comment Form

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Please place mail by **August 2, 2021** to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be emailed to <u>Nicholas.Vos@dot.wi.gov</u>. 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.

Name: ___

Address: _____

Phone Number (optional):

Email Address (optional):

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, and signatures is not confidential, and may be subject to disclosure upon request, pursuant to the requirements of the Wisconsin open records law, sections 19.31 - 19.39 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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