# **Public Involvement**

WIS 73
Columbus - Princeton
WIS 44 North to WIS 23 South
Green Lake County

Project ID: 6640-00-00

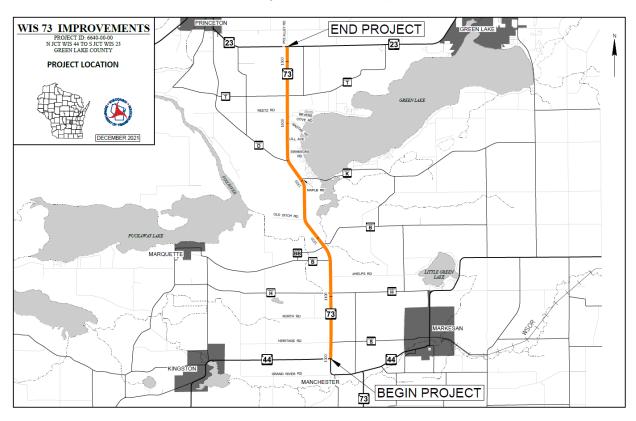


**January 5, 2022 to February 2, 2022** 

## **Purpose**

The purpose of public involvement is to present design concepts for the proposed improvements along WIS 73, address impacts to traffic during construction, and to obtain your input.

#### **Project Location Map**



# **Project Information**

The purpose of the project is to address the existing asphalt pavement which is exhibiting various forms of cracking. Also, several culverts underneath WIS 73 are deteriorating and in need of repair, the WIS 44 intersection has been identified as having safety issues, and the existing guardrail does not meet current standards.

Proposed improvements include:

- · Removing and replacing 2 inches of the existing asphaltic pavement
- Replacing 4 deteriorated culverts under WIS 73
- Modifying the WIS 44 intersection to address safety concerns
- Upgrading guardrail to meet current standards
- Removing and replacing damaged curb and gutter sections at intersections

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

## **Proposed traffic impacts**

Construction is currently scheduled to begin in the spring of 2025 but could begin as early as the fall of 2024.

During construction, WIS 73 will remain open to traffic using flagging operations. Staged construction or short-term closures at intersections may be necessary. Motorists can expect some delays to occur, but delays will be managed through limiting contractor operations at critical times. Access to residences and businesses will be maintained except for short periods while construction operations are directly adjacent to the entrances.

#### Real estate

Minor areas of temporary easements may be required to accommodate grading in areas of guardrail upgrades and pipe culvert replacements. If required, WisDOT expects to begin real estate acquisition in the summer of 2023.

## Project update/next steps

Local officials meeting	December 14, 2021
Public involvement	January 5, 2022 to February 2, 2022
Preliminary plans	Early 2022
Environmental document	Early 2022
Final right of way plat (if required)	Mid 2022
Real estate negotiations (if required)	Late 2022 to Spring 2024
Final plans	Spring 2024
Construction currently scheduled	2025 (or as early as 2024)

## **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 **February 2, 2022**:

- Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT
- 2. Complete the fillable online survey on the project website
- 3. <a href="https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis73greenlake/default.aspx">https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nc/wis73greenlake/default.aspx</a>
- 4. Email comments or questions to the contact listed below

Deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf-blind, and speech-disabled persons should contact the Wisconsin Relay Service by dialing 711.

For more information, please contact:

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#### **Public Involvement Comment Form**

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January 5, 2022

Please place mail by **February 2, 2022** to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be emailed to <u>Wendy.Ameson@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.

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Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)	

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