



WIS 21 improvements

US 41 to Rivermoor Road

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Mission statement:
To provide leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system.

WisDOT begins developing plans for WIS 21

WisDOT is working with local jurisdictions to develop a long-range plan for WIS 21 from US 41 to Rivermoor Road in Oshkosh. Plan recommendations will include locations of interchanges, grade separations and local streets.

A highway project is not designed or scheduled but the department is proactively preserving the future of WIS 21 by developing a long-range plan. Importantly, communities want to know the future of WIS 21. Knowing the future will allow communities to make informed land use decisions that are compatible with the WIS 21 long-range plan.

The plan also allows WisDOT to provide better information to developers and other property owners seeking access to WIS 21 via driveways or public streets.

The timing of developing a long-range plan for WIS 21 is advantageous because communities are also preparing comprehensive plans. The timing allows better coordination and consistency between state and local plan recommendations.

Plan recommendations are expected to be completed in late 2005. The preparation of the environmental document, design and right-of-way plats will occur through the first part of 2008. The corridor planning schedule includes the following tasks:

- Data gathering—Fall/Winter 2004
- Stakeholder committee meeting—Fall 2004
- Traffic analysis—Fall/Winter 2004
- Alternatives development—Spring 2005
- Stakeholder committee meeting—Spring 2005
- Public information meeting—Spring 2005
- Alternatives analysis—Summer/Fall 2005
- Stakeholder committee meeting—Winter 2005
- Public information meeting—Winter 2005
- Plan recommendations—Winter 2005
- Stakeholder committee meeting—Winter 2005
- Public information meeting—Winter 2005



WIS 21, Town of Algoma and City of Oshkosh—Winnebago County 2004 Aerial Photography.

Included in this issue:

- Plan schedule
- Stakeholder Committee role



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Roles and responsibilities of the stakeholder committee

The stakeholder committee will work through a problem solving process and provide information in the development of WIS 21 corridor plan recommendations. Members of the stakeholder committee represent viewpoints from many different sectors of the affected area. These viewpoints will all contribute to planning process including:

- Problem identification
- Development of goals and objectives
- Development of alternatives
- Alternatives analysis

Problem identification

The problem varies depending on who you ask. Understanding different perspectives helps define the problem.

Development of goals and objectives

Goals and objectives are desired conditions or outcomes. Solutions depend on desired outcomes.

Development of alternatives

Information from committee members will help in the development of alternatives or solutions. Different alternatives will appeal to various members. Alternatives will also affect jurisdictions differently.

Alternatives analysis

The committee must also develop criteria with which to rate the various proposed alternatives or solutions. This will allow the committee to determine which alternative or solution best meets the previously established goals and objectives.

Stakeholder committee membership

The stakeholder committee includes representation from all jurisdictions affected by WIS 21 plan recommendations.

The following jurisdictions represented include:

- East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (ECWRPC)
- Winnebago County
- City of Oshkosh
- City of Omro
- Town of Algoma
- Town of Omro



Development of a long-term plan will allow WisDOT to provide better information to local municipalities and property owners regarding issues such as access and congestion along WIS 21.