

Public Involvement

**US 53
Minong – Solon Springs
County Y to County M (Southbound)
Douglas County
Project ID: 1196-00-30/60**



Aug. 11 to Sept. 1, 2023

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

Purpose

Our objective is to update you on the project scope and schedule and obtain your input on the identified needs, proposed improvements and traffic impacts along US 53 between County Y and County M (southbound) in the town of Gordon, all in Douglas County.

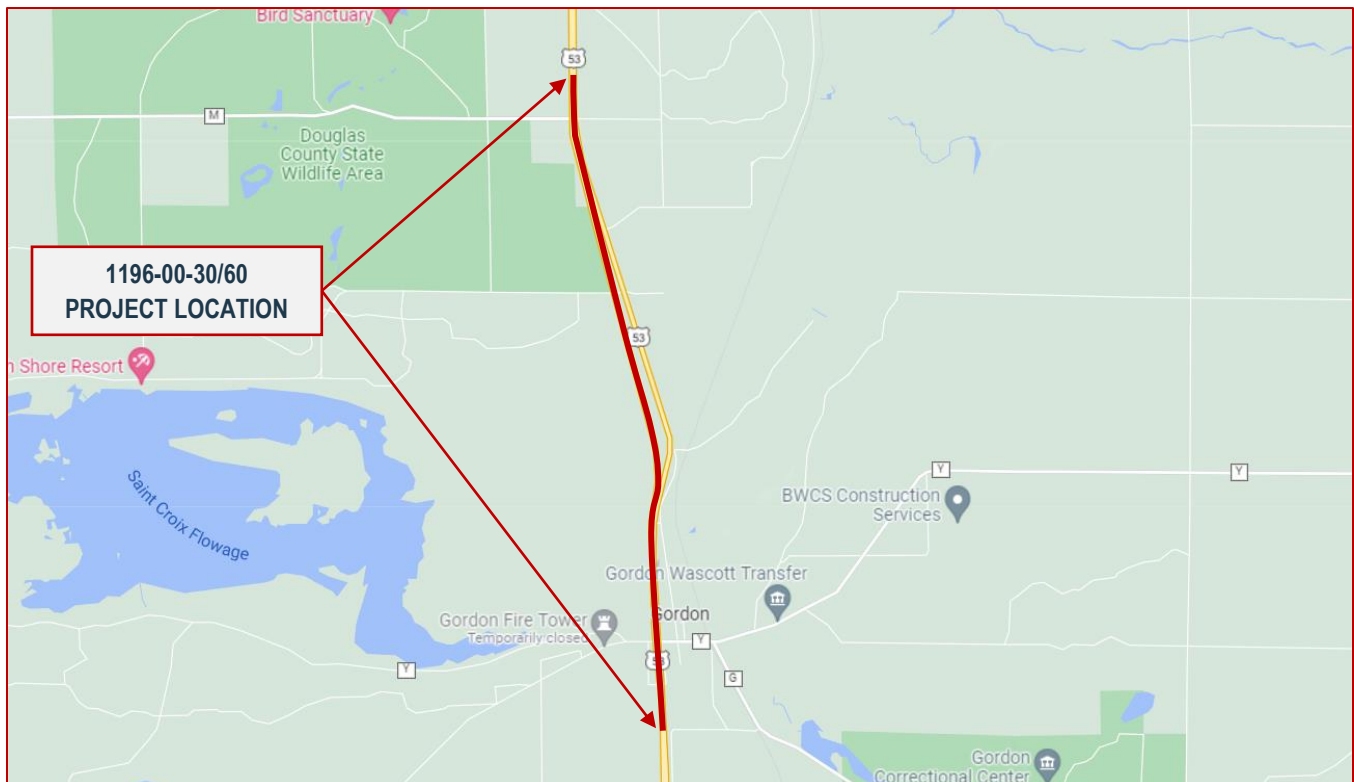
A meeting with local officials was held on July 25, 2023.

The purpose of the project is to preserve the roadway asset and minimize the overall life-cycle cost of the corridor. Additionally, drainage and roadside safety needs will be addressed.

Other identified issues include:

- Culvert ends are separated and leading to poor drainage.
- Trees and brush are growing within the safety clear zone along the sides of the roadway.
- Existing guardrail does not meet current crash standards.

Project Location Map



Project Information

We are proposing to resurface approximately 3.0 miles of existing concrete pavement with new asphalt at a depth of 4 inches along US 53.

Other proposed improvements include:

- Making concrete pavement repairs
- Repairing or replacing culverts
- Clearing roadside brush and trees
- Replacing guardrail
- Placing pavement markings

Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is currently scheduled for the summer of 2025 and estimated to take three months to complete.

US 53 will remain open to traffic during construction. During construction, the roadway will be constructed under traffic using single-lane and shoulder closures.

Local, business and emergency access will be maintained. However, temporary side road closures will be necessary during parts of the construction process.

Real estate

No real-estate acquisition needs are expected.

Access Modifications

No driveway or side road access modifications along the project are planned at this time.

Project update/next steps

Preliminary plans	February 2023
Local officials meeting	July 2023
Public involvement	August 2023
Environmental document	September 2023
Final plans (<i>Early</i>)	May 2025 (<i>May 2024</i>)
Construction currently scheduled (<i>Early</i>)	Summer 2026 (<i>Summer 2025</i>)

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 **Sep. 1, 2023**:

1. Fill out the comment form attached to this handout and mail it to WisDOT.
2. Complete the comment form on the project website - <https://wisconsin.dot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/us53sdouglas/default.aspx> - and mail it to WisDOT.
3. Email comments or questions to the contact(s) listed below.

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