



# US 63 Branch Willow River Bridge St. Croix County

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Public Involvement Meeting  
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# Project Information

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- Project Leader – Nick Maki, WisDOT
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- Project Design Website

- <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/us63willowriverbridge/default.aspx>





# Agenda

- Project Location
- Purpose and Need
- Proposed Improvements
- Traffic Impacts
- Project Schedule
- Public Comment

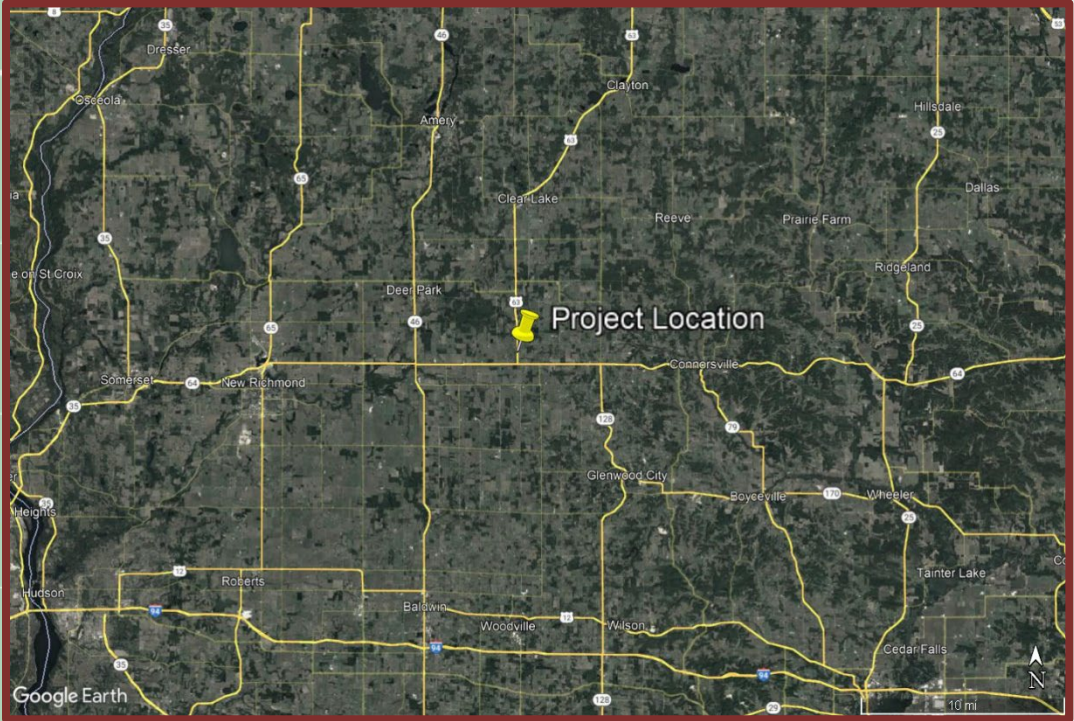
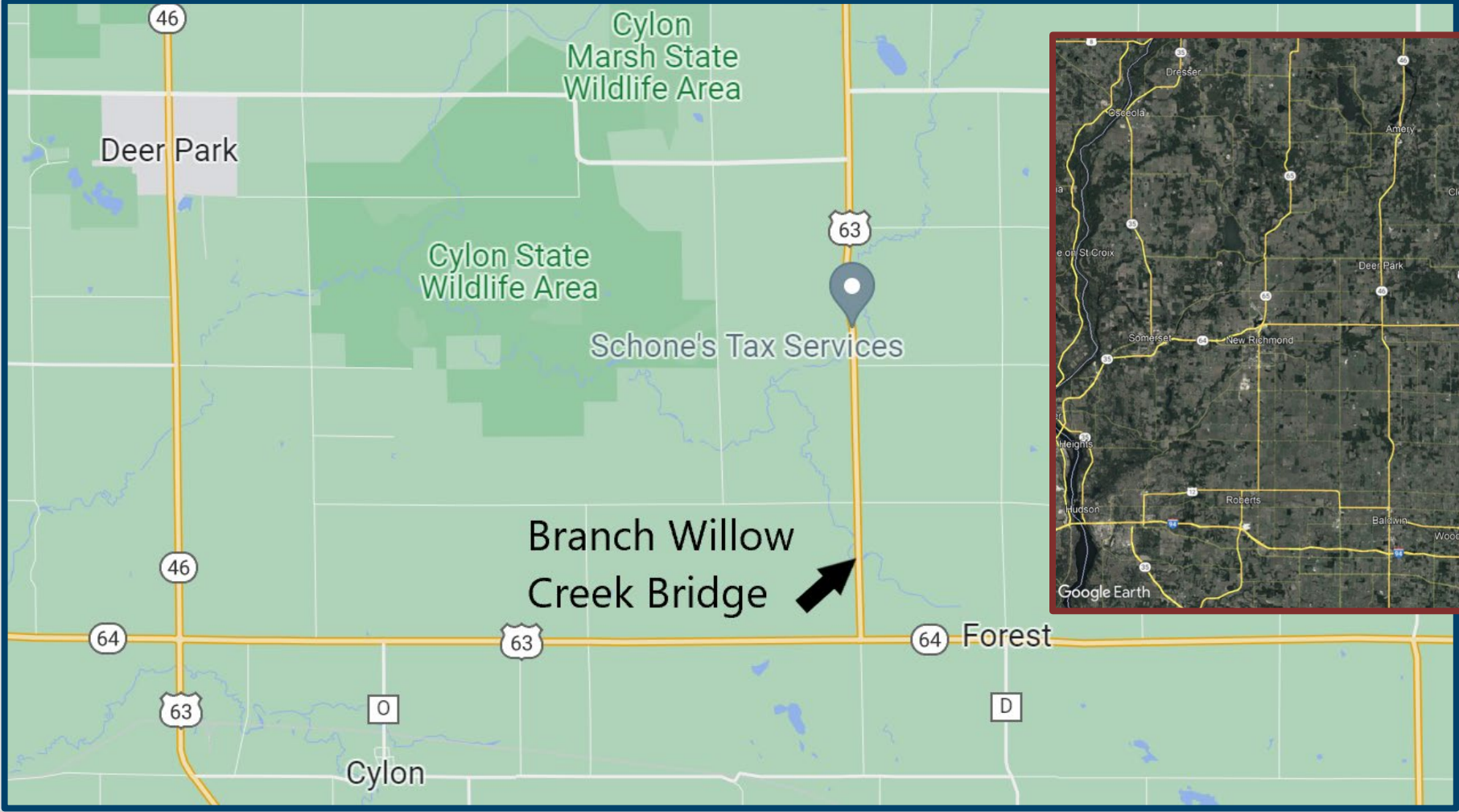


# Project Location

- St. Croix County
- US 63
- Clear Lake – Baldwin
- Located between the towns of Cylon and Forest
- 0.6 mile north of the US 63/WIS 64 intersection



# Project Location





# Purpose and Need

- Restore, maintain, and preserve the service life of the bridge.
- Maintain US 63 as a high-priority route.
- Branch Willow River Bridge B-55-0055:
  - Originally constructed in 1962.
  - Deck overlaid in 1982.





# Purpose and Need

## Bridge Deck Deterioration





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## Bridge Abutment Repairs







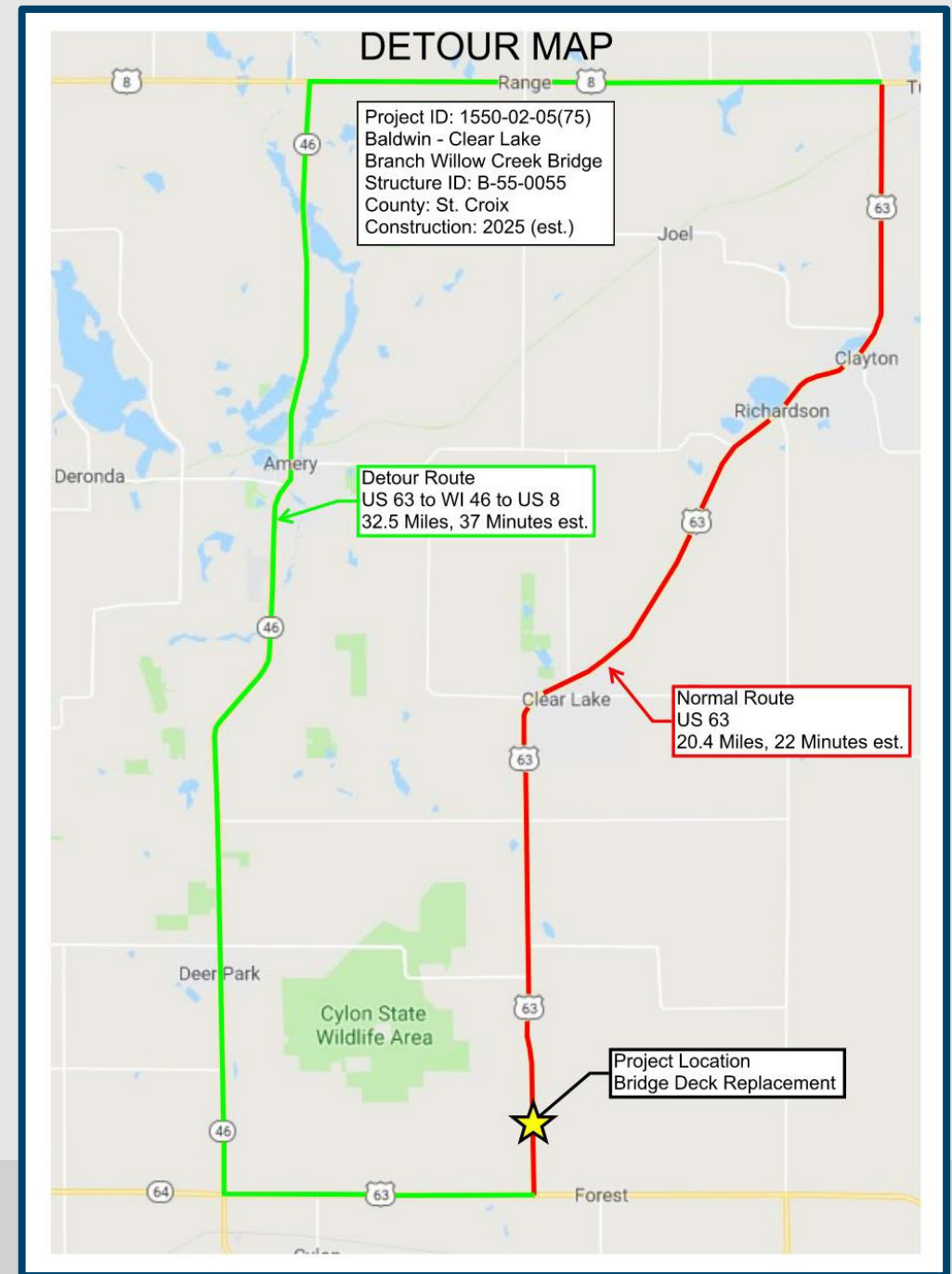
# Proposed Improvements

- Replacement of bridge deck
- Repair spalling on bridge abutments
- Repair exposed rebar on girder
- Replace paved approaches on both sides of bridge
- Complete incidental work as required



# Traffic Impacts

- During construction:
  - US 63 closed to through traffic
    - Detour for non-local traffic: US 63 to WIS 46 to US 8 and vice versa
  - Access to properties in work zone maintained





# Project Schedule

- Begin preliminary design – Spring 2021
- Complete preliminary design – Summer 2022
- Complete environmental document – Summer 2022
- Submit final plans – Spring 2024
- Bid letting – Fall 2024
- Construction – Summer 2025





# Public Comment

Questions and comments for this project are being accepted through July 8, 2022, by:

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