

Elk Mound – Chippewa Falls

Chippewa River Bridges B-09-0209 & B-09-0210

WIS 29, Chippewa County

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Public Involvement Presentation

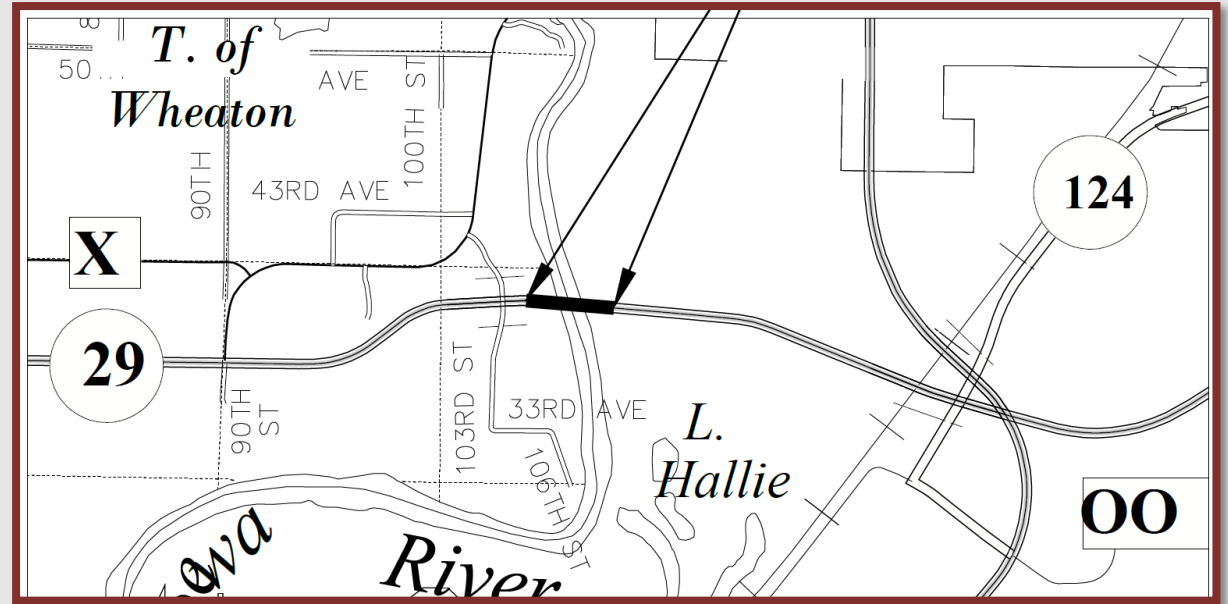
February 2024

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Project Location



Purpose and Need

- Both the east- and westbound bridges exhibiting signs of deterioration:
 - Abutment back walls tipping
 - Closed and damaged expansion joints
 - Abutment concrete spalling
- Concrete deck on the westbound bridge fracturing



WIS 29
westbound
bridge



WIS 29
eastbound
bridge

Proposed Improvements

- Rehabilitate both bridges by:
 - Replacing both abutment back walls
 - Replacing both deck expansion joints
 - Repairing concrete surface
- Rehabilitate the eastbound bridge by:
 - Replacing the concrete deck overlay



WIS 29
westbound
bridge



WIS 29
eastbound
bridge

Proposed Improvements

- Rehabilitate west- and eastbound WIS 29 by:
 - Replacing guardrail to meet current standard at the bridge approaches
 - Replacing concrete approach slabs for both ends of each structure
 - Completing any other incidental roadway work



Traffic Control

- Construction activities will close one bridge at a time:
 - East- and westbound WIS 29 will be reduced to one lane each.
 - Crossovers will be utilized at each roadway approach to temporarily shift traffic from one side to another.
 - One bridge will carry bidirectional traffic while the other will have construction work performed on it.
 - Upon construction is completed on the first bridge, bidirectional traffic will be switched to it while work occurs on the other structure.



Project Schedule

- Preliminary design start: **January 2024**
- Public comment solicitation: **February 2024**
- Plans, specifications and estimate submittal: **May 2026**
- Bid letting: **Sept. 15, 2026**
- Construction: **Spring to fall 2027**



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Public Comment

- WisDOT is accepting public comments on the proposed project through Feb. 28, 2024, by:
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