

Public involvement meeting handout

Interstate 94 East-West Freeway Corridor Study

70th Street to 16th Street Milwaukee County

Proposed Extension of Washington Street

70th Street to 60th Street West Allis

> July 27, 2023 6:00-8:00 p.m.





WELCOME!

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

Welcome! And thank you for attending this meeting.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is hosting this public involvement meeting to share information on the proposed extension of Washington Street in West Allis.

You are invited to view project information, talk with project staff, and share your thoughts.

PROJECT INFORMATION

WisDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are continuing an environmental and engineering analysis of the Interstate 94 (I-94) East-West Corridor. The project covers approximately 3.5 miles of interstate between 70th Street and 16th Street in Milwaukee County. The project includes one existing system interchange (WIS 175/Brewers Boulevard) and five service interchanges (70th Street/68th Street, Hawley Road, Mitchell Boulevard, 35th Street, and 25th/26th/28th Streets.)

This segment of I-94 opened to traffic in 1961-1962. I-94 is a major east-west freeway link across the northern U.S. and is a critical link in Milwaukee County's freeway system, connecting the Marquette and Zoo interchanges. In addition to serving long-distance travelers and regional and national freight movement, the study area freeway system is an important commuter route supporting the regional economy.

PROJECT LOCATION



PROJECT PURPOSE

The purpose of the I-94 East-West Corridor study is to address the deteriorated condition of I-94, obsolete roadway and bridge design, existing and future traffic demand, and high crash rates.







PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

Identification of a preferred alternative occurred after carefully reviewing input received from the public, agencies, and local governments since the completion of the 2016 Final EIS. Identification of the preferred alternative was based on engineering factors; impacts to the human/natural environment; cost; and input from the public, state and federal resource agencies, cooperating and participating agencies, tribes, and local officials.

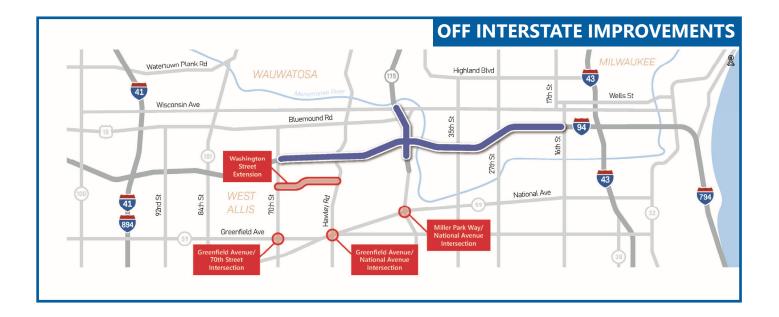
WisDOT identified the 8-lane alternative with a diverging diamond interchange at the Stadium Interchange as the preferred alternative.



Rendering of the proposed diverging diamond interchange design at the Stadium Interchange.

As part of the preferred alternative, WisDOT will:

- Construct off-interstate improvements to mitigate the traffic impacts of reduced access at the Hawley Road Interchange
- Extend Washington Street to make it easier for drivers in the Hawley Road/60th Street corridor to access the 68th Street/70th Street Interchange
- Improve three local road intersections 70th Street/Greenfield Avenue, National Avenue/ Greenfield Avenue, Miller Park Way/National Avenue



PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Connection: Extending Washington Street to connect 70th Street to 60th Street.
- Bike and pedestrian: Adding accommodations for bike and pedestrian traffic.
- Vehicle traffic: The proposed Washington Street extension will provide an additional connection between Hawley Road/60th Street and 70th Street south of I-94.



PROPOSED LAYOUT - JULY 2023



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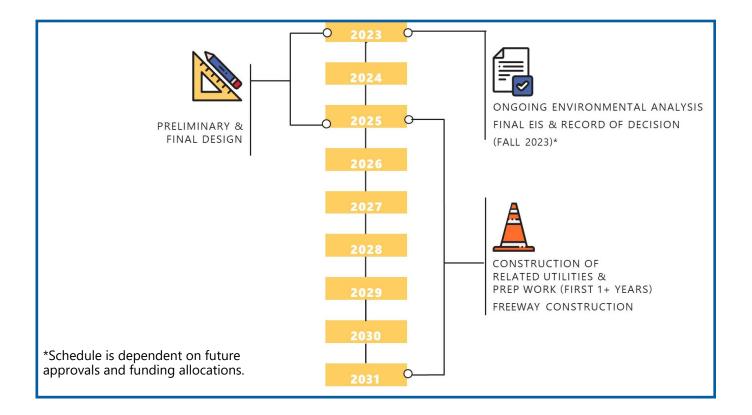
Washington Street currently connects at 70th Street and serves as an entrance into the development areas of the former Allis Chalmers site. The street name will require further local review as there is another Washington Street connection at 60th Street a few blocks south.

ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

The project schedule is dependent on approvals of the Supplemental Final EIS and on funding allocations in future state budgets.

WisDOT is in the final stages of the environmental documentation phase and is working on preliminary design.

The impacted utilities are working closely with WisDOT on plans for relocating electrical substations and transmission and service towers.



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