

Public Involvement Meeting Handout

**I-39
Lien Rd to US 51
Dane County**

Project ID: (1010-01-19)



**February 29, 2024
5:30-7:00 PM
2101 Wright Street, Madison, WI 53704
Dane, Rock, and Columbia Conference Rooms**

Purpose of the meeting

Welcome to the public involvement meeting for the proposed improvements to I-39 in the city of Madison. See Figure 1 on the next page for the project location map.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is currently in the design phase of this project, which includes I-39 between Lien Rd and US 51. This multi-lane, high speed, high traffic section of the interstate is being considered for pavement surface repairs and guardrail improvements.

The objective of this meeting is to provide you with updated information regarding the proposed improvements to the roadway. We are seeking your input on updates to the project design, proposed construction staging, and the anticipated traffic impacts during construction. After a brief presentation, the meeting will follow an open house format.

Please take time to review the information presented. WisDOT project representatives are available to answer questions. A public input form is also available for you to give written comments.

Project information

The purpose of this project is to maintain connectivity along I-39 by addressing the existing roadway pavement condition, which has exhibited deterioration, cracking, and rutting. This section of I-39 is a principal arterial highway in Dane County.

WisDOT is proposing to improve 5.2 miles of I-39. Improvements are anticipated to include pavement resurfacing, replacement of substandard stretches of existing beam guard, new pavement markings, and curb ramp work on High Crossing Boulevard. Concrete repairs and asphaltic shoulder replacement are being considered at all interchange ramps throughout the project limits. Concrete surface repairs are also anticipated at the I-39 NB bridge over Lien Road and at the I-39 SB bridge over US 51.

A new pavement surface provides a smoother ride that increases the lifespan of the roadway and reduces vehicle wear. Modern pavement markings are more visible at night and during rain events. Upgraded guardrail improvements provide safety for vehicles, should they leave the roadway.

The project team is currently preparing an environmental document for the proposed improvements. This report is anticipated to be completed in late Spring 2024.

Project website can be found here:

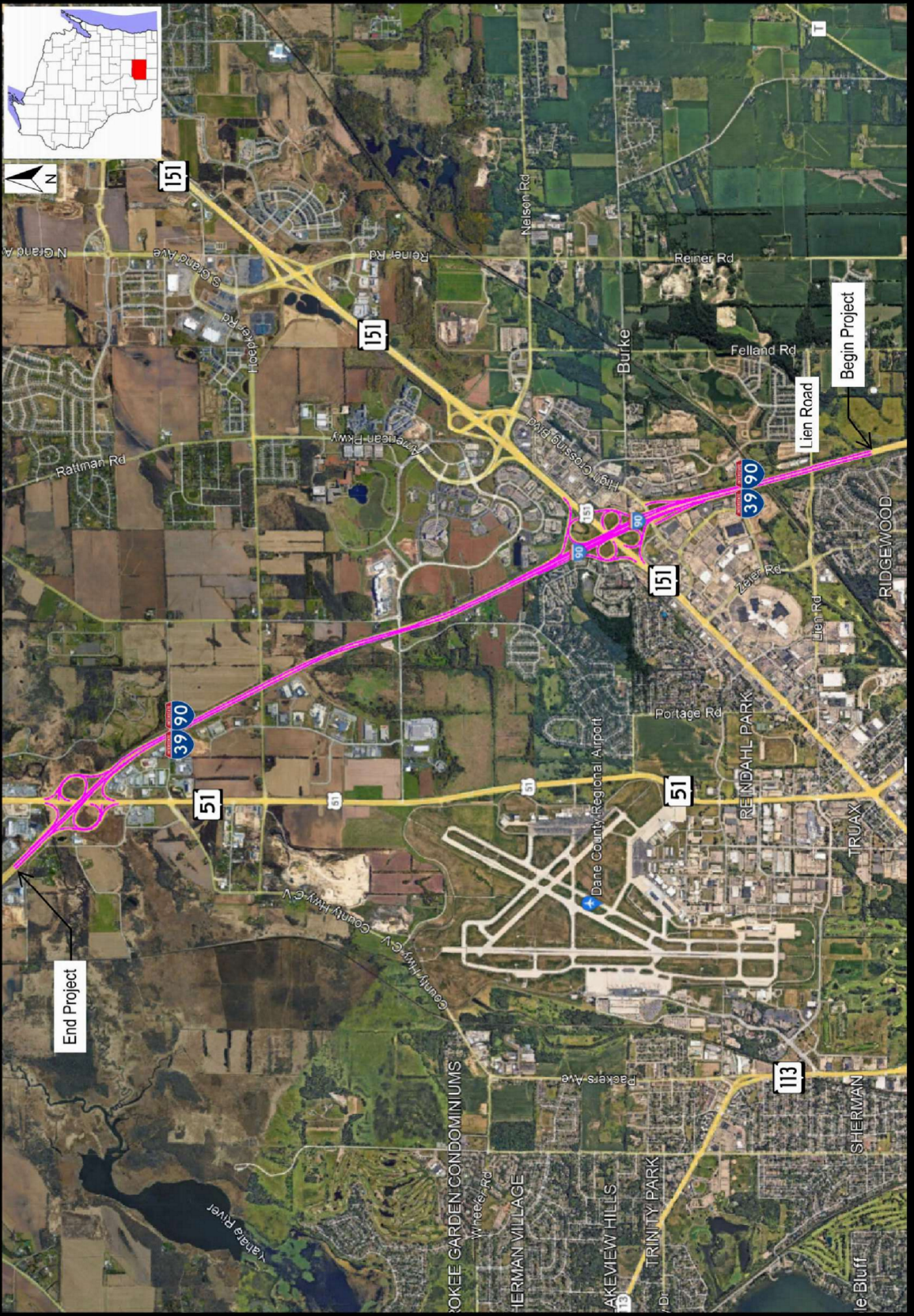
<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/i39-madison/default.aspx>

Or by navigating the WisDOT website at wisconsin.gov > Construction Projects > Southwest > I-39 (Lien Rd to US 51)

Figure 1

Project Location Map

IH 39, Madison - Portage
Lien Road to USH 51
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Dane County



Proposed traffic impacts

Construction is scheduled to begin in 2026 and is expected to be completed within one entire construction season.

Most of the construction for this project will occur during nighttime off peak hours. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction during nighttime closures to complete base patching and resurfacing. Ramp closures will be utilized to complete base patching, concrete surface repairs, and resurfacing on ramps to and from US 51, US 151, and High Crossing Boulevard.

Guardrail improvements may be completed under shoulder closures.

Motorists can expect to encounter lane closures, alternate routes, and traffic delays during construction hours.

Real estate

No additional right of way will be required for this project.

Project update/next steps

The next steps for this project include the preliminary and final design of the corridor. Public outreach will continue for this project and others along the corridor.

Current Project Schedule

Public Information Meeting	February 29, 2024
Environmental Document	Spring 2024
Design Study Report	Spring 2024
60% Plans	Summer 2024
Final PS&E	November 2025
Construction	Summer 2026

Public input/comments

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before March 28th or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also e-mail your comments to the contacts listed below.

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.

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