

Madison Beltline PEL Study

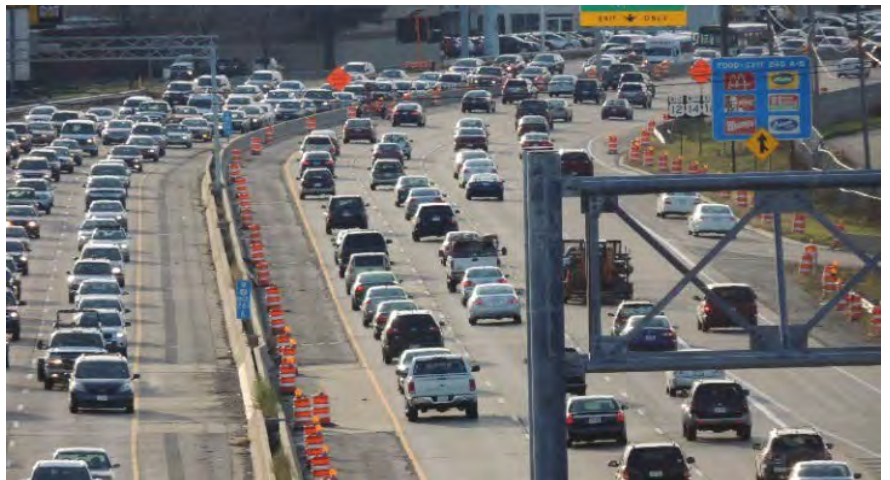
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Introduction

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are conducting a long-term study of the Madison Beltline corridor called a Planning and Environment Linkages (PEL) Study. This information sheet provides supplemental information about the project. The study begins at US 12/14 (University Avenue) in the city of Middleton and extends approximately 20 miles to US 12/18 and County N in the town of Cottage Grove east of Interstate 39/90.

PEL Study Goal

The PEL study goal is to improve safety and multimodal travel along and across the Madison Beltline corridor in a way that supports economic development, acknowledges community plans, contributes positively to the area's quality of life, and limits adverse environmental and social effects to the extent practicable.



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Strategy Packages

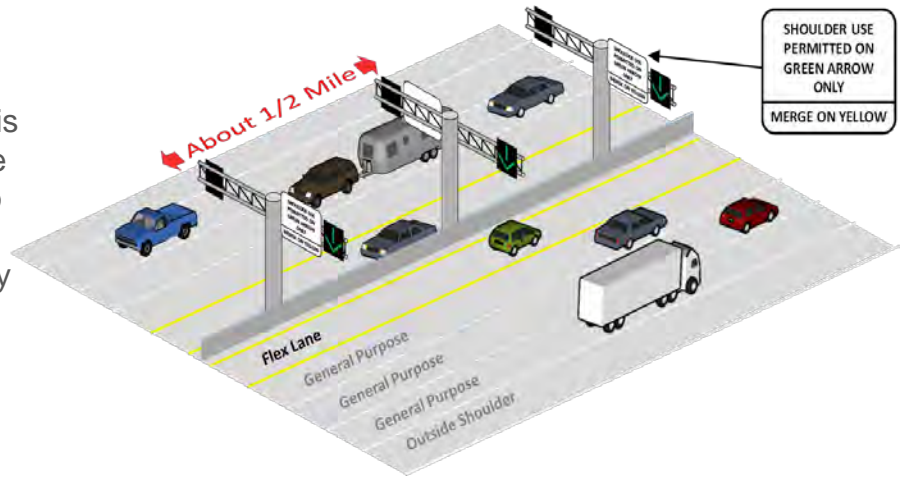
The PEL study considers different types of projects to improve travel on, near, or across the Beltline. We are calling these "Components," and they include possible projects for:

- New local road crossings and connections (e.g. constructing a new bridge over the Beltline)
- Improved transit
- Mainline and interchange improvements
- Pedestrians and Bicycle Connections (e.g. constructing a new path to connect areas near the Beltline)
- Park and ride options (e.g. adding a new park and ride lot near a Beltline interchange)

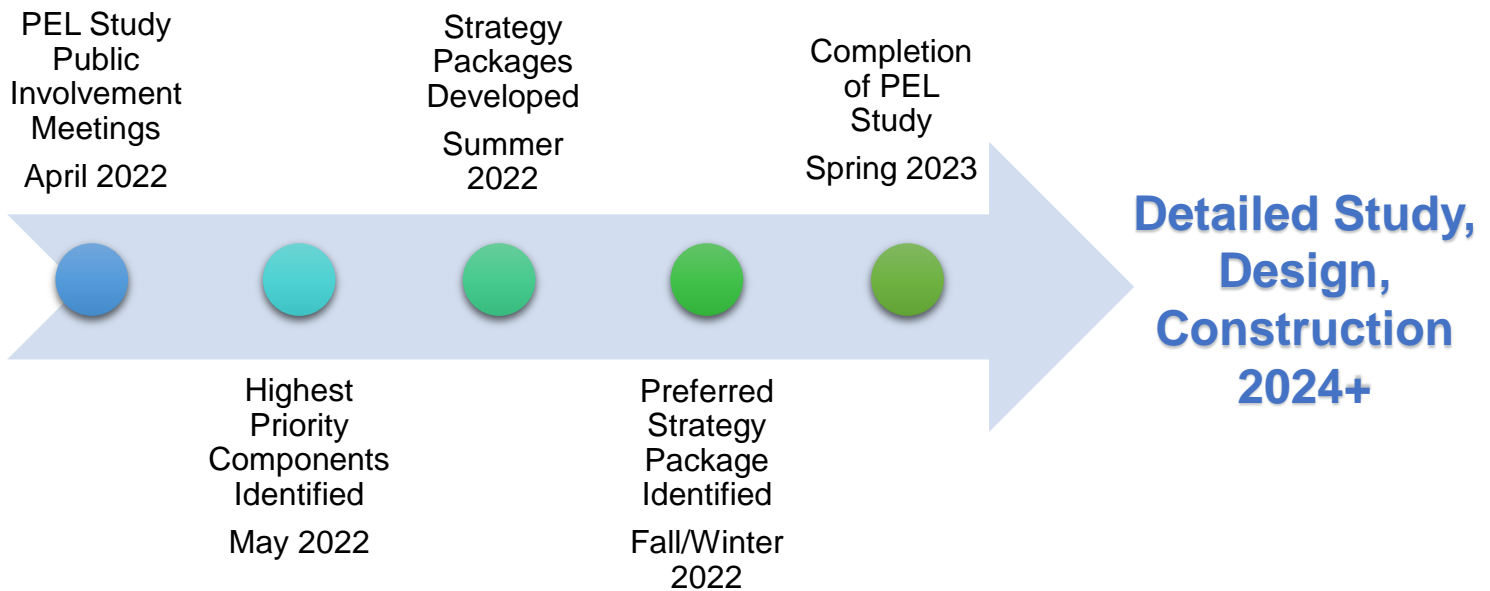
The PEL team will assemble various Components into Strategy Packages, or long-term vision for the Beltline corridor. The PEL study will combine different components into multiple Strategy Packages which will be presented at a future public meeting. The feedback we receive from this meeting will help determine what components should be included in those strategy packages.

Beltline Flex Lane

WisDOT is currently constructing the Beltline Flex Lane project. This project is intended to be an initial solution to ease Beltline congestion by allowing traffic to travel on the inside shoulder during the busiest times of the day. The PEL Study is separate from the Flex Lane project and evaluates potential corridor improvements in addition to the construction of the Flex Lane.



Process and Estimated Timeline



We Want to Hear From You



After reviewing the components presented at today's meeting, we ask that you take a short survey to provide us with your input on each of these components. The survey will be available until **May 13**.

Simply scan the QR code with your cell phone's camera to launch the survey or access the survey at <https://forms.office.com/r/nUb5tqVN7L>.

Alternatively, you can visit the Madison Beltline PEL Study Public Involvement page to access a comment form at <https://bit.ly/BeltlinePEL>.

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