



WIS 78

From Lien Court to County H Green, Lafayette, Iowa, Dane County

January 12, 2023 – February 12, 2023

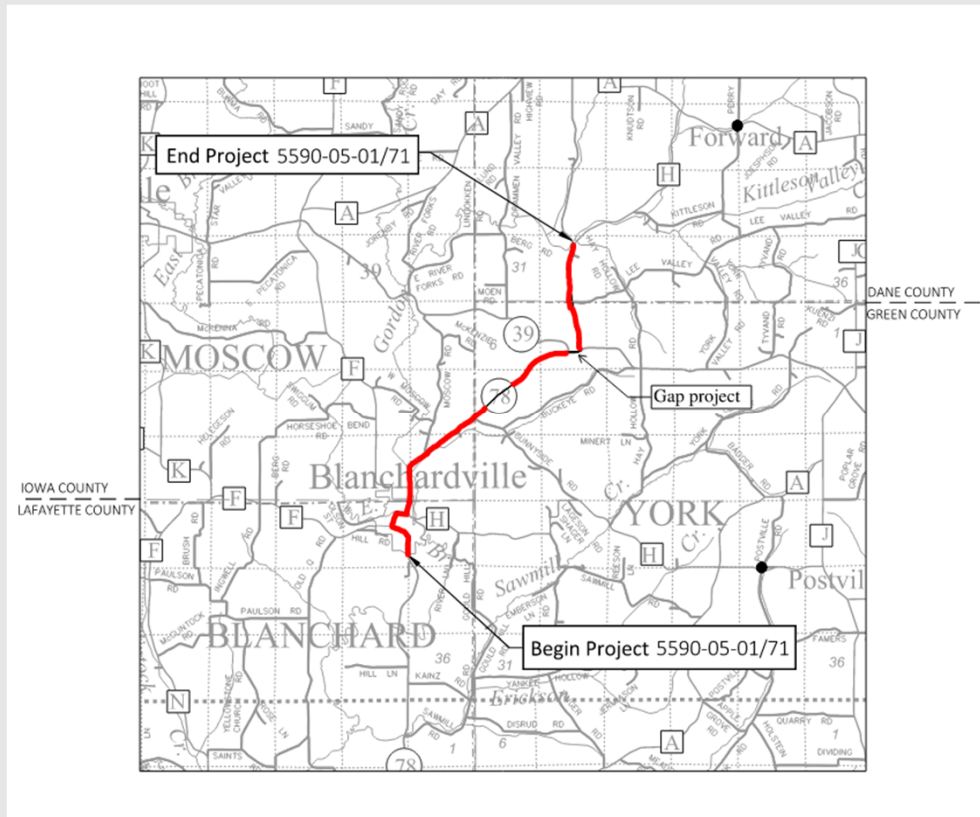
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Project Location



Project Information

- WisDOT proposing to improve 6.2 miles of WIS 78
- Limits – Lien Court to County H
- Purpose and Need
 - The existing asphalt pavement is exhibiting signs of deterioration in the form of alligator cracking and rutting
 - Curb ramps do not meet current standards
 - The existing guardrail does not meet current standards



Project Information

- Proposed Improvements

- Resurfacing: Lien Court – East School St and B-33-40 to County H
 - Milling and resurfacing Asphalt pavement
- Pavement Replacement: East School Street to B-33-40
 - Pavement replacement including new aggregates, asphalt pavement, curb & gutter
 - Areas of sidewalk replacement
 - Storm sewer replacement
- Upgrade curb ramps to meet current standards
- Upgrade guardrail to meet current standards



Project Information

Proposed Improvements- Address deteriorating pavement



Project Information

Proposed Improvements- Update guardrail



Project Information

Proposed Improvements- Update Curb Ramps



Proposed Traffic Impacts

- During resurfacing WIS 78 will remain open to traffic utilizing flagging operations
- Short term closures at intersections are possible
- Some delays are likely
- Local and emergency access will be maintained



Proposed Traffic Impacts

- During pavement replacement WIS 78 will be closed to through traffic and detoured
- Detour route will utilize WIS 39, WIS 69 and WIS 81
- During concrete work and underground work access will be limited
- Emergency access will be maintained



Real Estate

- Majority of work will occur within existing highway right-of-way
- Acquisitions will be required in curb ramp and sidewalk areas
- Acquisition process
 - Real Estate staff will coordinate with property owners
 - Acquisition expected to begin in mid 2023
- Landowner rights information available on the project website



Environmental

Environmental assessments are being completed for this project, including evaluation of historic and archaeological resources. Through these investigations, multiple historic structures and a potential historic district have been identified within the Village of Blanchardville. Proposed project actions adjacent to these structures include resurfacing or pavement structure replacement, replacement of existing curb ramps with ADA compliant curb ramps, and sidewalk replacement. For these actions, Right-of-way acquisition and TLE would be needed. The proposed actions are not expected to modify any historic buildings or facilities with this project.



Project Update/Next Steps

- Local Officials Meeting – January 2023
- Public Involvement – January 12, 2023 to February 12, 2023
- Environmental Document – March 2023
- Final right of way plat – April 2023
- Real estate negotiations – May 2023 to August 2024
- Final Plans – November 2024
- Construction – Currently Scheduled for 2028, Advanceable Summer 2025



Public Input and Comments

- Provide input by February 12, 2023
 - Complete and mail comment form found in handout
 - Via online survey on project website
 - <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/wis78-blanchardville/default.aspx>
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