



# I-39/90 Project







North Segment July 23, 2013 LOM: 3:45 – 4:45 p.m. PIM: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Edgerton High School





#### Introductions

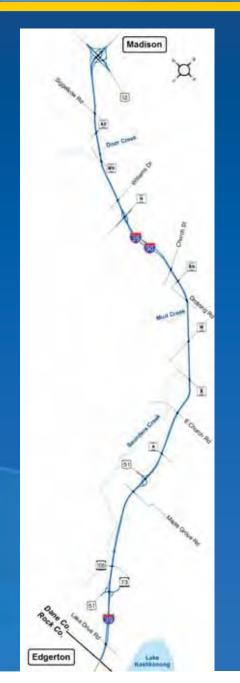


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# I-39/90 Project Segments



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- North Segment
  - Dane/Rock County
     Line to County AB
     (Buckeye Road)
- Central Segment
  - County O to
     Dane/Rock County
     Line
- South Segment
  - WI/IL Stateline to County O



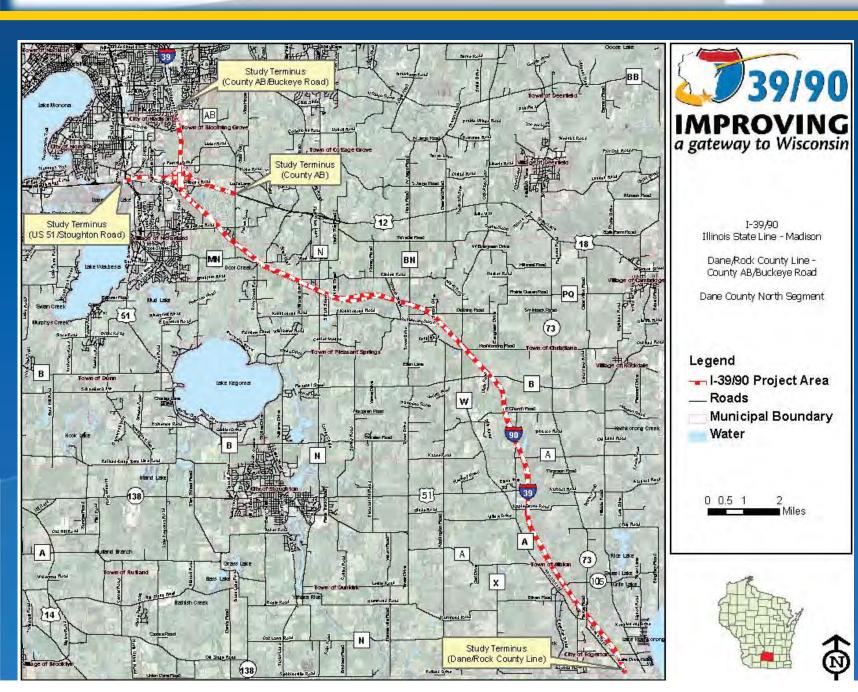




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# Project Background

- Environmental Assessment (EA) signed on July 29, 2008 which identified and evaluated:
  - Purpose and need
  - Range of alternatives
  - Potential environmental impacts
  - Agency and public comments
- Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) signed on October 1, 2010
  - Allowed final design to begin in 2011/2012







- Re-Evaluation of original EA for 3<sup>rd</sup> lane expansion
  - Design changes for safety and operations
    - Design speed changed to 75 mph (EA 65mph)
       POSTED SPEED will be 65 mph
    - Minimum clear zone width changed to 44 feet (EA – 34 feet)
    - Wider median proper drainage, eliminate median cable guard to improve safety
    - Existing overpass profiles are deficient and require some structures to be replaced





- Changes resulted in:
  - Equivalent impacts in some areas
  - Increase in impacts in other areas
    - Property acquisition
    - Wetlands
    - Agricultural lands





Opportunity for public comment during this process at PIMs or directly with the Project Manager

#### • Goal:

- Identify, analyze and address changes since the October 2010 document was approved
- Determine if the overall conclusions are still valid
- Anticipated Schedule:
  - I-39/90 Corridor EA Re-Evaluation signed Summer 2014









- New Environmental Assessments (EAs) will be completed for two locations:
  - The interchanges have independent utility and can be removed from the overall corridor expansion
  - The scope of work has had some changes
  - Design concepts are continuing to evolve and a preferred alternative has not yet been identified









• New Environmental Assessments:

- Beltline Interchange (US 12/18)
  - New projects have been initiated to the north, east and west of the interchange
  - Scope of what is needed with this Interchange has changed
- I-43/WIS 81 Interchange (Beloit)
  - Meet current design standards
  - Ensure local access is maintained
  - Redesign to allow for higher design speeds









- Update overall interchange impacts that have resulted due to the change in scope for these interchanges
- Analyze and address
  - Purpose and Need
  - Range of Alternatives
  - Environmental impacts
- Environmental resource agencies and local officials contacted for input









- Opportunity for public comment during this process and a public hearing will be held for each Interchange
- Goal: Ensure operational efficiency and provide local access as well as compatibility with adjacent and future projects
- Anticipated Schedule: Beltline & I-43 Interchanges
  - New Draft EAs signed Summer 2014
  - Public Hearing Summer/Fall 2014
  - Final Environmental Document– Winter 2014





- Meet current design standards
- Improve overall safety
- Accommodate future traffic with an acceptable level of service (LOS)







### Proposed Improvements



- Reconstruction of existing freeway lanes
- Addition of a third lane in each direction to create 6-lane facility
- Reconstruction of interchanges
- Reconstruction of over/underpasses







# Activities To Date



- Right of way, arch/historic, hazardous materials surveys and investigations
- Bike/pedestrian planning and coordination with local municipalities
- Agency coordination for wetland delineation, water crossings, drainage, etc.
- Refined and detailed engineering
- Public outreach







# Public Meetings To Date



Meeting	Date
Beltline Interchange Stakeholders Meeting	February 7, 2012
Ho-Chunk Nation	March 5, 2012 & April 16, 2012
Local Officials & Public Information Meeting #1	April 24, 2012
WIS 73 Interchange Stakeholders Meeting	August 28, 2012
County N Interchange Stakeholders Meeting	September 11, 2012
Local Officials & Public Information Meeting #2	September 24, 2013
Siggelkow Road Local Officials Meeting	March 8, 2013
County N Local Officials Meeting	March 13, 2013
Beltline Interchange Local Officials Meeting	July 9, 2013





# Public/Agency Input



- PIM # 1 over 50 'dots'/comments
- PIM # 2 over 60 'dots'/comments
- Design team reviewed all public/agency input:
  - County AB interchange request
  - Noise barriers
  - Drainage issues
  - Property access (business, agricultural)
- WDNR Wetland avoidance/minimization





### **Noise Barriers**



- Noise analysis conducted during EA process
- Evaluated in accordance with Federal Highway standards and Wis. State Statutes
- Sensitive receptors identified (houses, schools, offices)
- Receptors included in traffic noise model used to predict future sound levels





### **Noise Barriers**



Noise Barriers:

What You

Should Know

- Noise model indicated that a noise barrier is not warranted in Dane County
- Building/housing density not enough to justify a noise barrier
- Model indicated barriers may be warranted for portion of Janesville/Beloit area where population is more dense





- Some right-of-way acquisition required to accommodate addition of a third lane in each direction
- Design teams have refined right-of-way needs
- Reflected on display maps







New Since Last PIM/LOM



- Design refinements on mainline
  - Minor right of way changes/refinements
- County N Interchange alternative selected
- Beltline Interchange concepts developed and analyzed





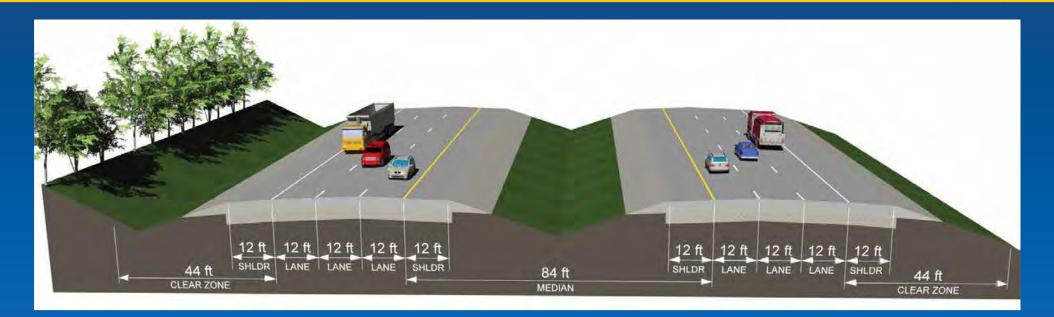






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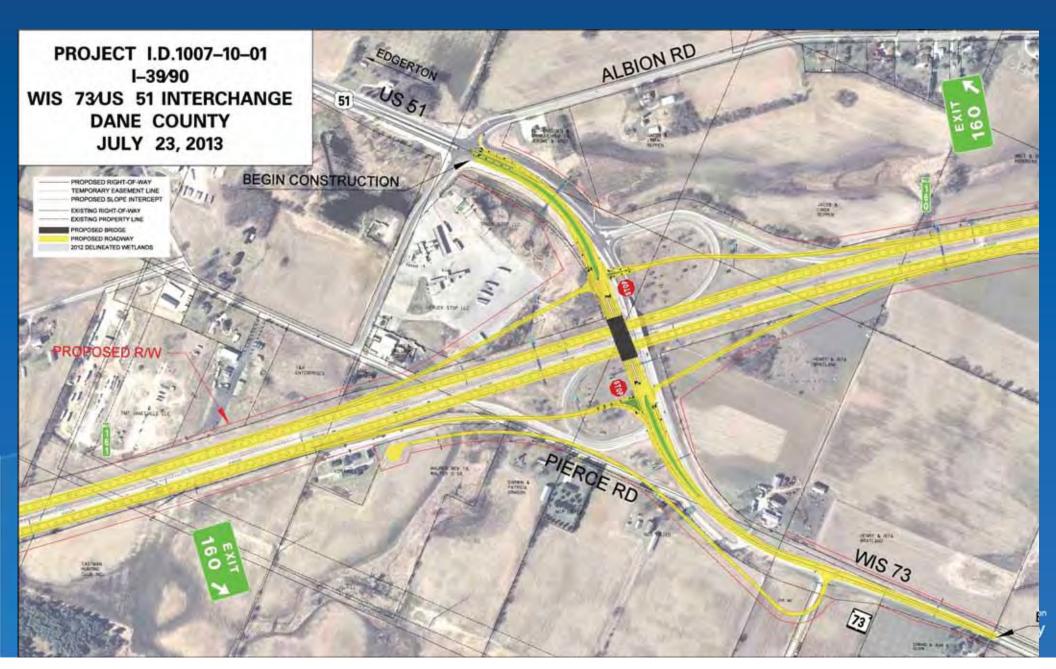












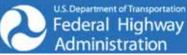
# US 51 Interchange

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- Analyzed and reviewed alternatives
  - Signalized
  - Diverging diamond
  - Roundabout
- Met with local officials and area businesses







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#### • Preferred Alternative: Roundabout

- Overall safety, efficiency, improved traffic flow and reduced delay
- Includes bike/pedestrian accommodations









- Access control guidelines at interchanges
  - No access points within 1,320 ft. from interchange ramps
  - Provides operational efficiency and safety
- Requires acquisition of business in NE quadrant
- Results in access changes to businesses



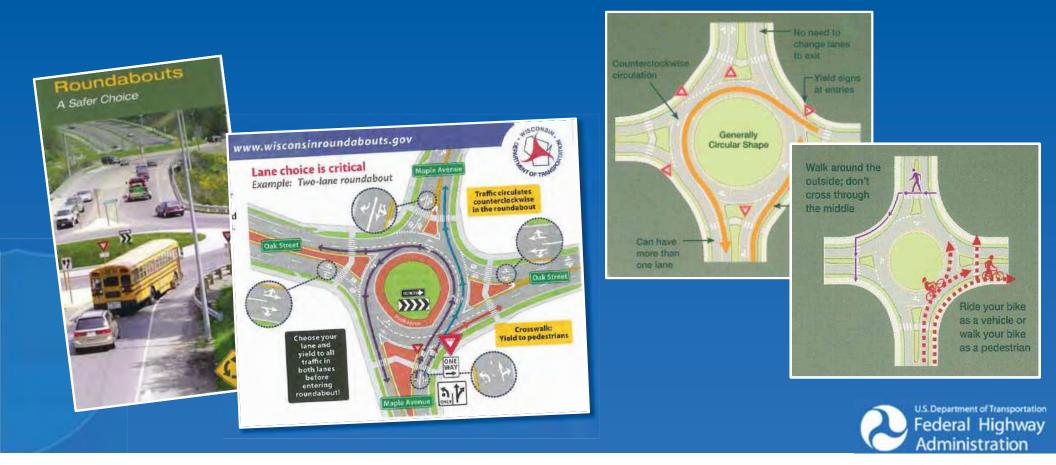




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#### Roundabout Resources

#### Information table with resources and brochures





# **Beltline Interchange**



- Separate Environmental Assessment (EA) will be conducted for Beltline Interchange to cover:
  - Revised limits
  - Noise evaluation (this section only)
  - Hazardous materials review
  - Wetland delineation
- Additional stakeholders added to outreach database
- EA approval anticipated in May 2014





# **Beltline Interchange**



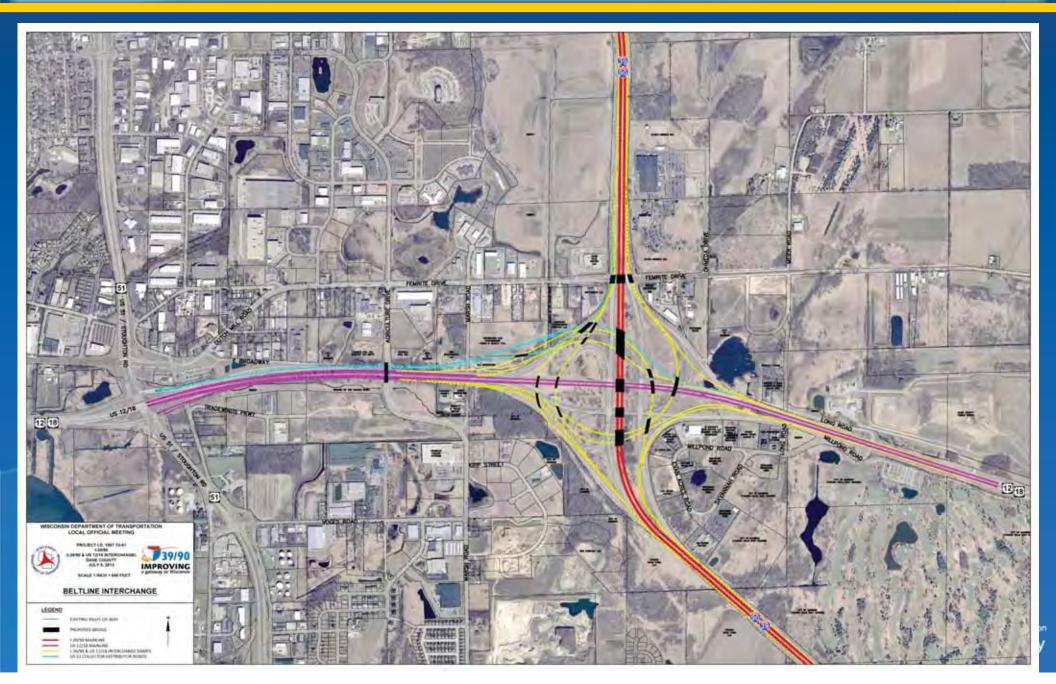
- Further analyzed and reviewed concepts
- Developed additional concept
- Turbine concept addresses:
  - Projected traffic growth
  - Safety and efficiency





# **Beltline Interchange**







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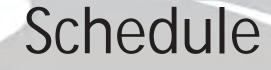


- Likely to occur in segments over several years
- Could begin as early as 2015; completed by 2021
- Dependent on funding and construction staging
- I-39/90 will remain open during construction
- Two lanes in each direction during construction
- Lane restrictions may be needed during off-peak
  travel hours











#### • Mainline:

- 30% design plans Completed Fall 2012
- 60% design plans and Design Study Report (DSR) Summer 2013
- Environmental Assessment update/Design Refinement
   Report Summer/Fall 2013
- Local Official, Public Information, and Stakeholder meetings as needed









- Beltline Interchange:
  - Separate from mainline



- Separate Environmental Assessment (EA) May 2014
- May include additional Local Official/Public Information Meetings
- Property owners and stakeholders in this area will receive meeting notifications



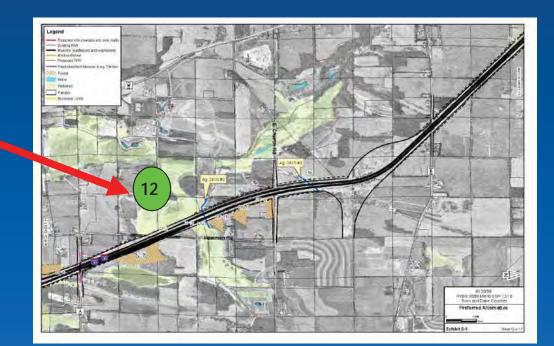


### Input Exercise



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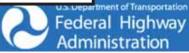
**STEP 2** - Write number and comment on form.



Place a numbered sticker on the map near the location for which you would like to comment. Write the sticker number in the box below and comment in the adjacent spaces:



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# Questions?







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