

WIS 23

Public Hearing



August 28, 2013

Agenda

6:30 Presentation and Questions in Prairie Theater

You may continue to comment privately to a court reporter in the Atrium.

~7:00 Formal Public Hearing

You may comment publically to a court reporter in the Prairie Theater.

After
hearing

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Open house – please examine exhibits.

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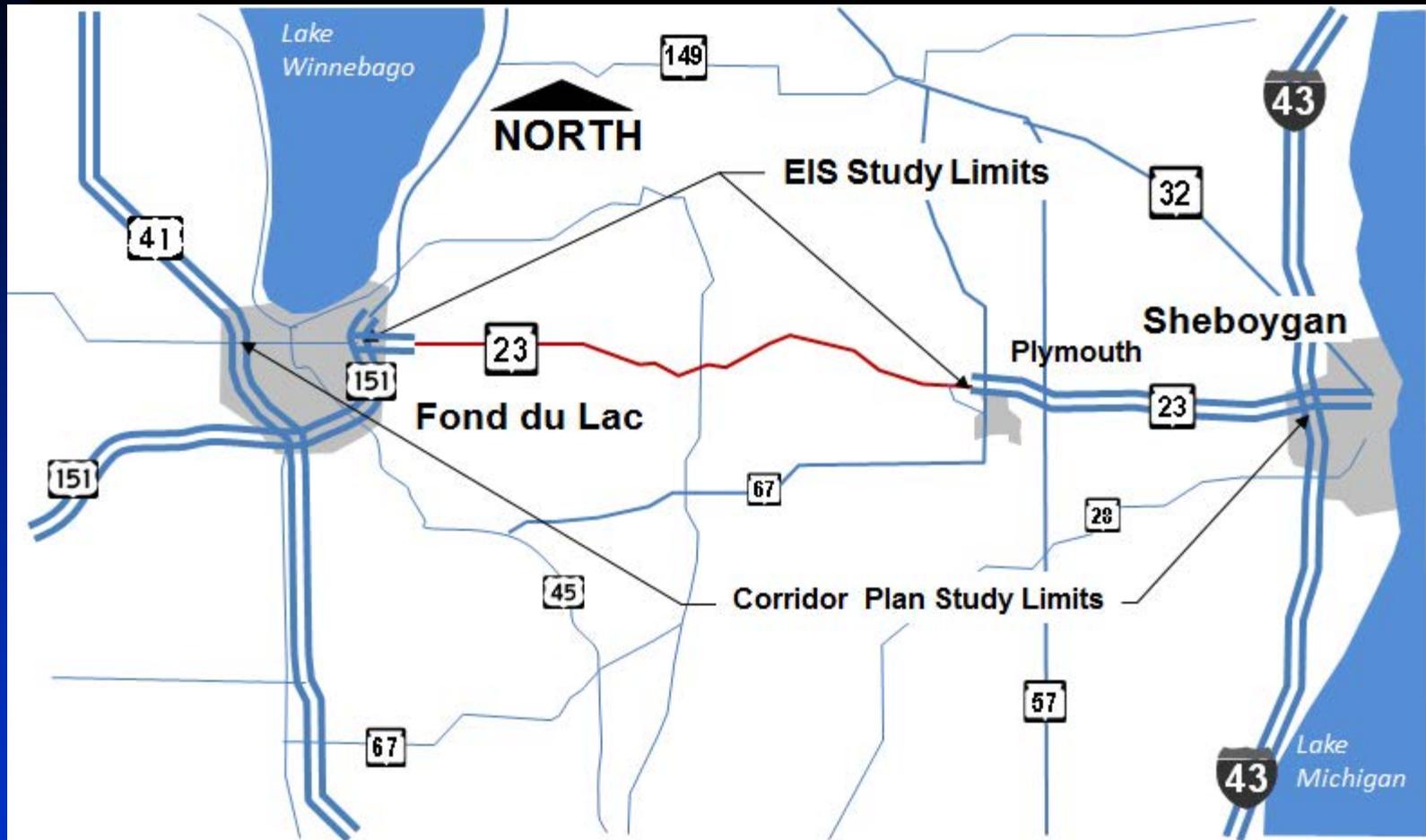
Why are we here tonight?

Update and receive comments from the public on:

1. The environmental document
 - WisDOT has prepared a Limited Scope Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
2. Impacts and treatment of public lands (4f properties).
3. The project schedule.



Project Study Area



WisDOT & FHWA released a Limited Scope Environmental Impact Statement

- u Updates, evaluates and provides additional analysis, if needed, on new or changed impacts to the human and natural environment.
- u Clarifies, enhances, and reconsiders certain portions of the 2010 Final Environmental Impact Statement

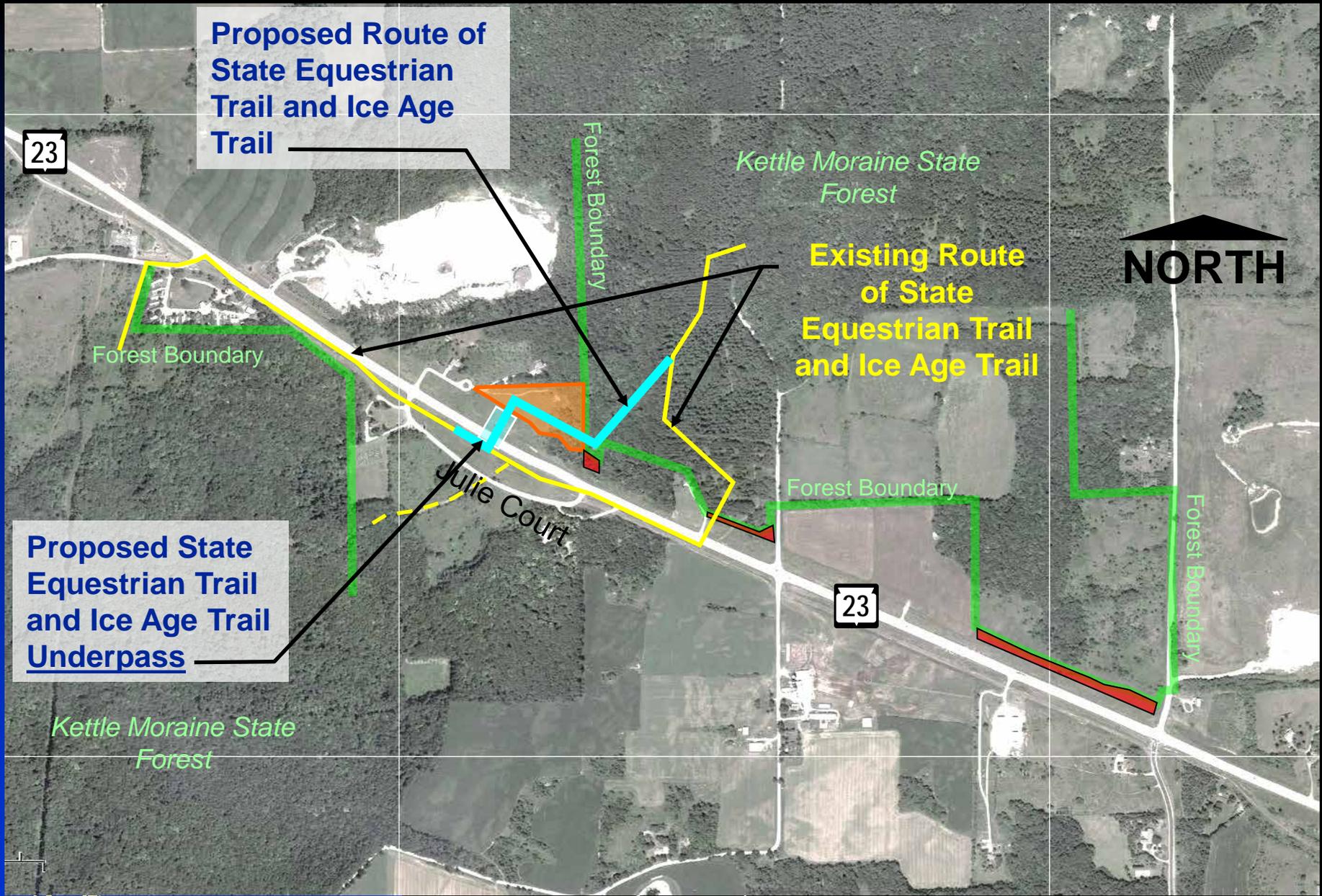


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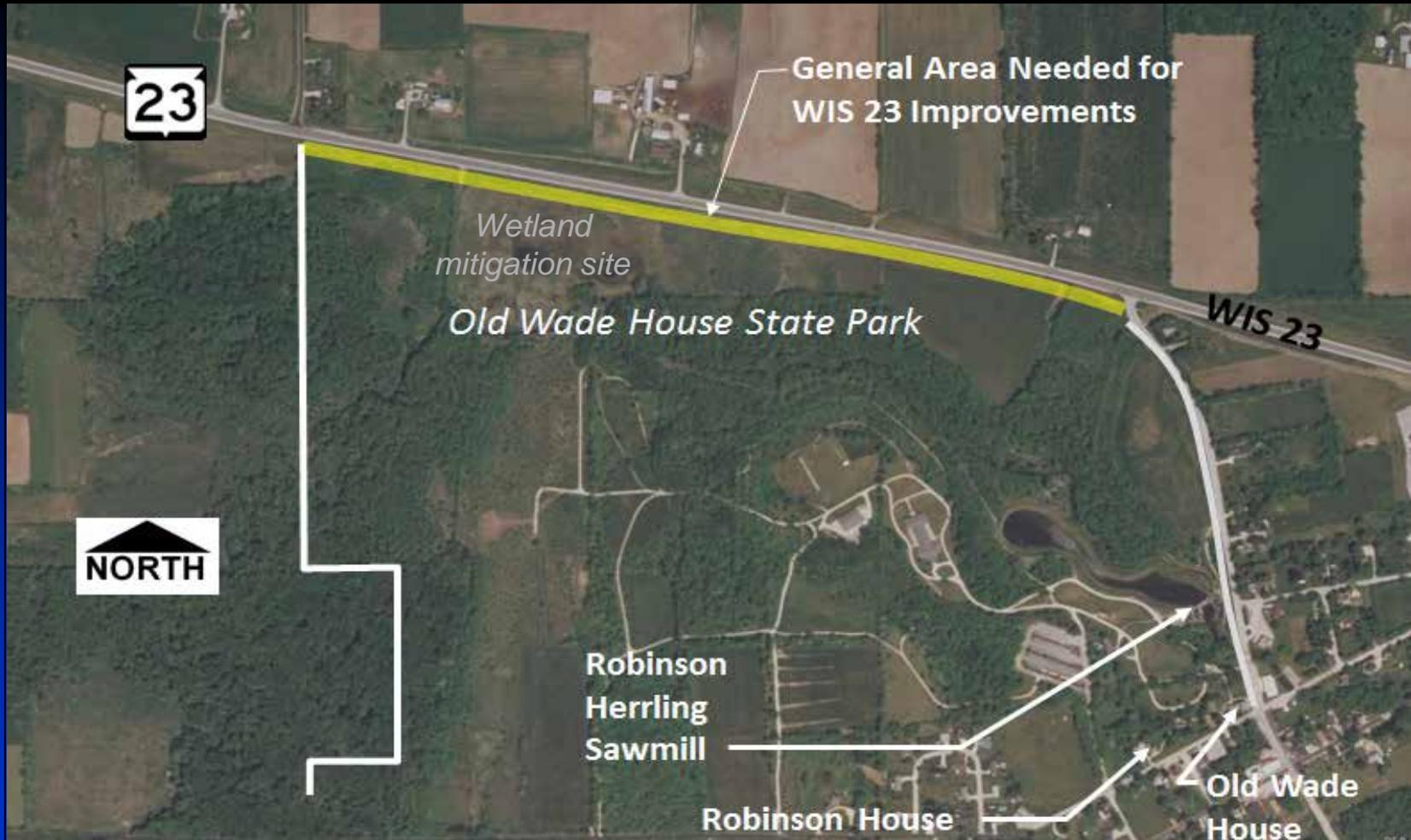
- u Updates Purpose and Need with current data (crashes and traffic).
- u Clarifies and enhances discussion of 2-lane alternatives.
- u Clarifies and enhances Section 4(f) (public land) resource discussion.
- u Revises, updates and clarifies the Indirect and Cumulative Effects analysis.



Ice Age Trail/State Equestrian Trail



Impacts to the Old Wade House State Park

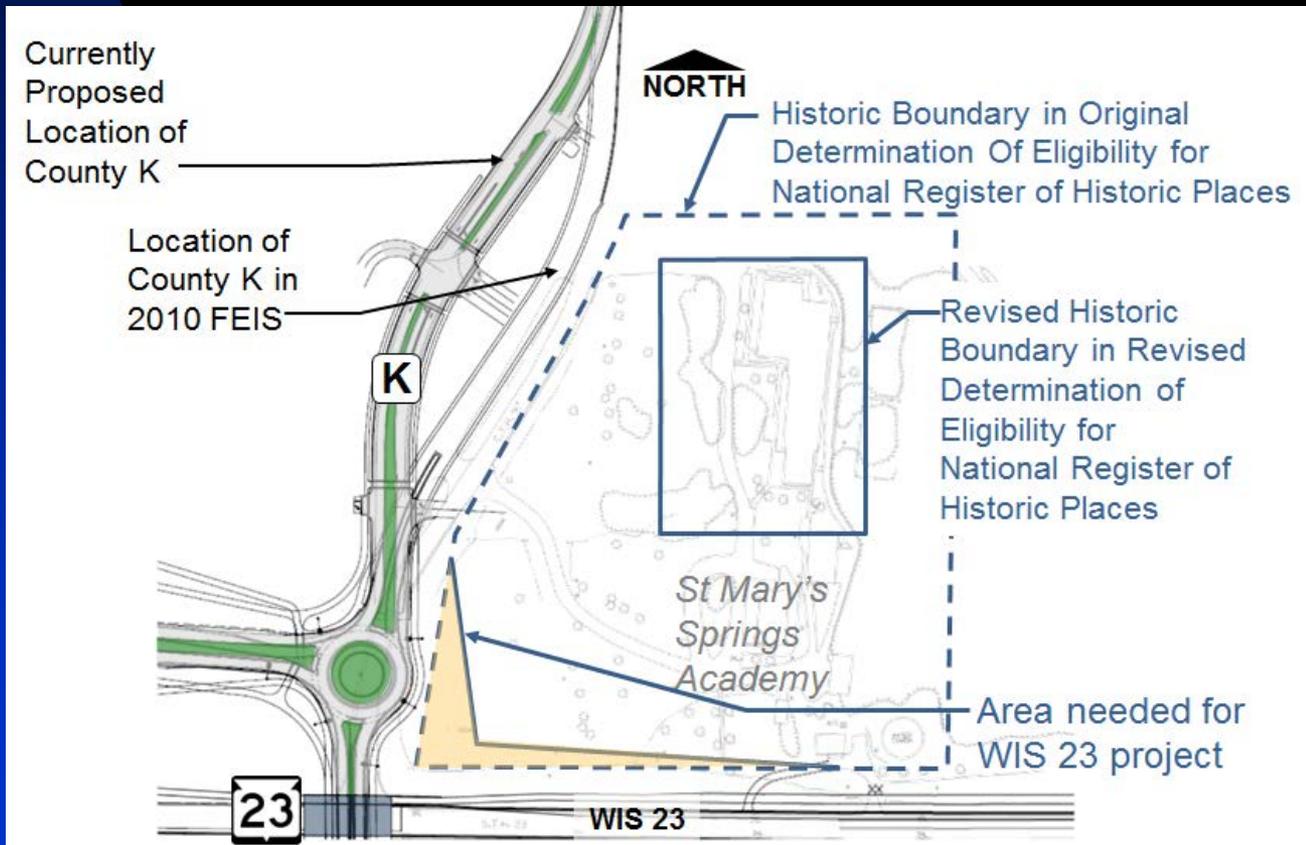


No impacts to historic properties



Changes to St Mary's Springs Academy

- WIS 23 project was going to have an effect on it on this historic property
- Demolition of buildings by St Mary's Springs Academy in 2005 have changed historic boundary so WIS 23 will no longer have an effect



Design refinements



Preferred Build Alternative and Corridor Preservation

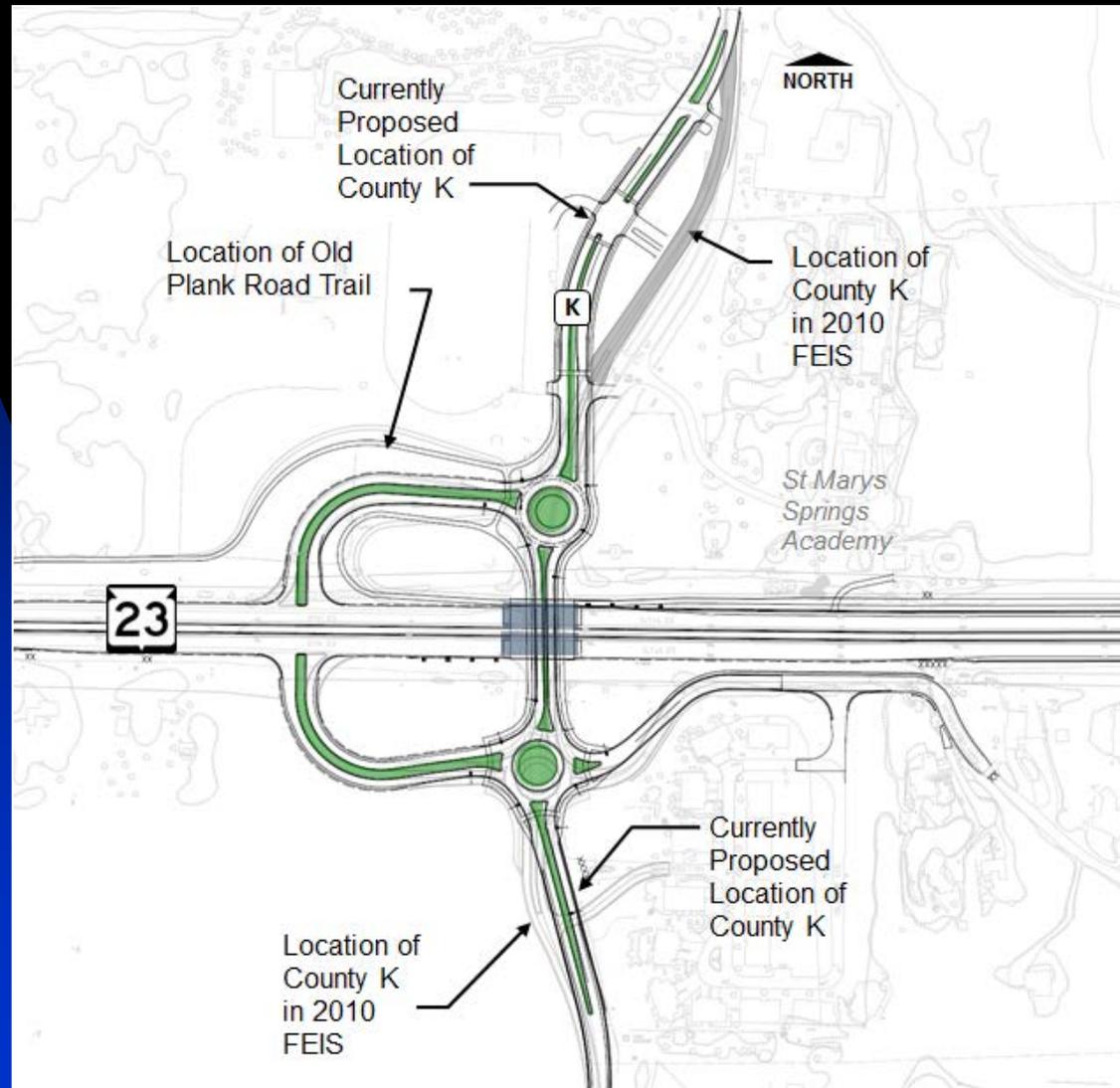


Wisconsin American Parkway Roundabout

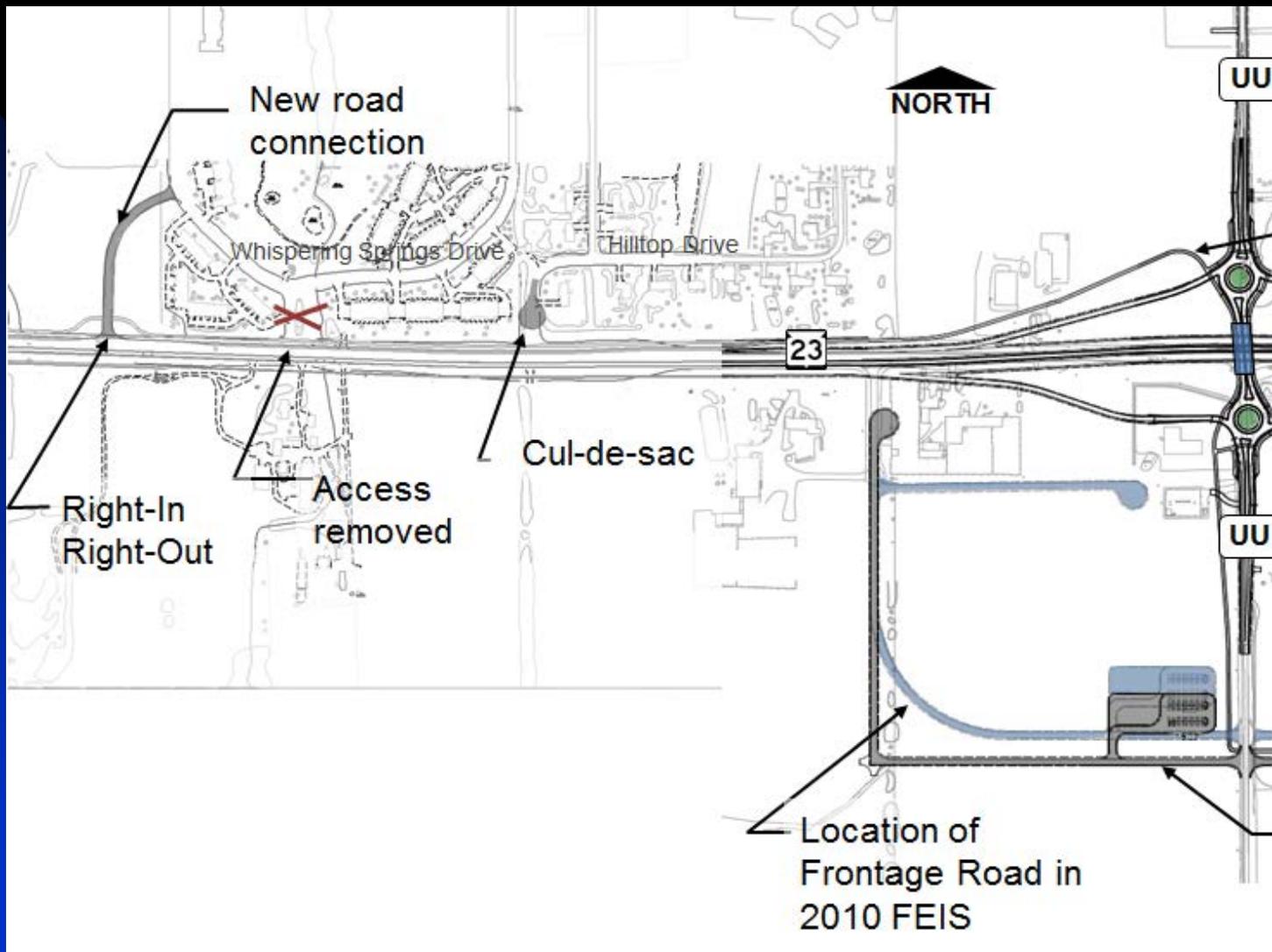


- n Roundabout selected because:
 - u Safety benefits
 - u Operational benefits
 - u Short distance to US 151 interchange signals

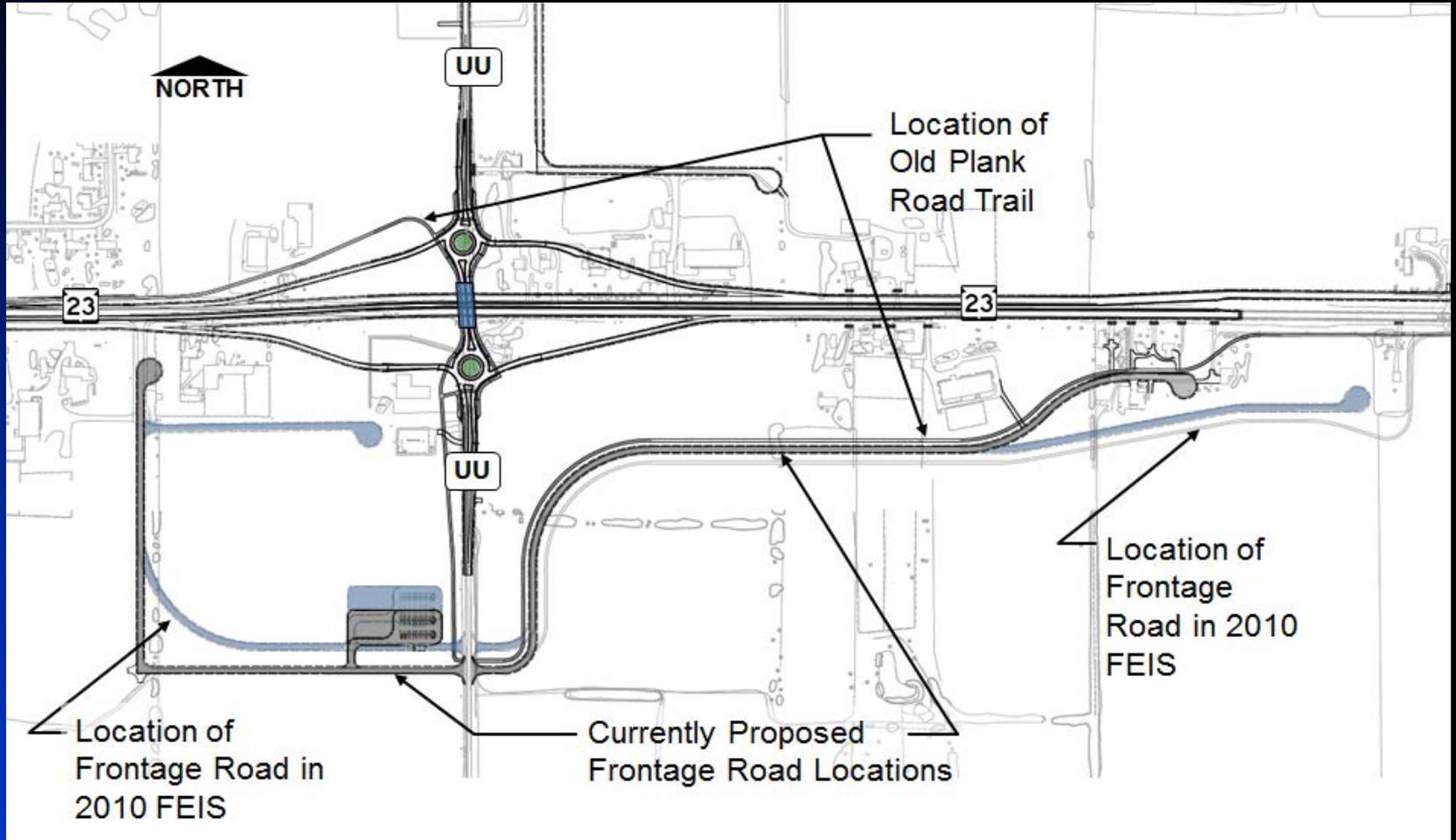
County K Jug-handle



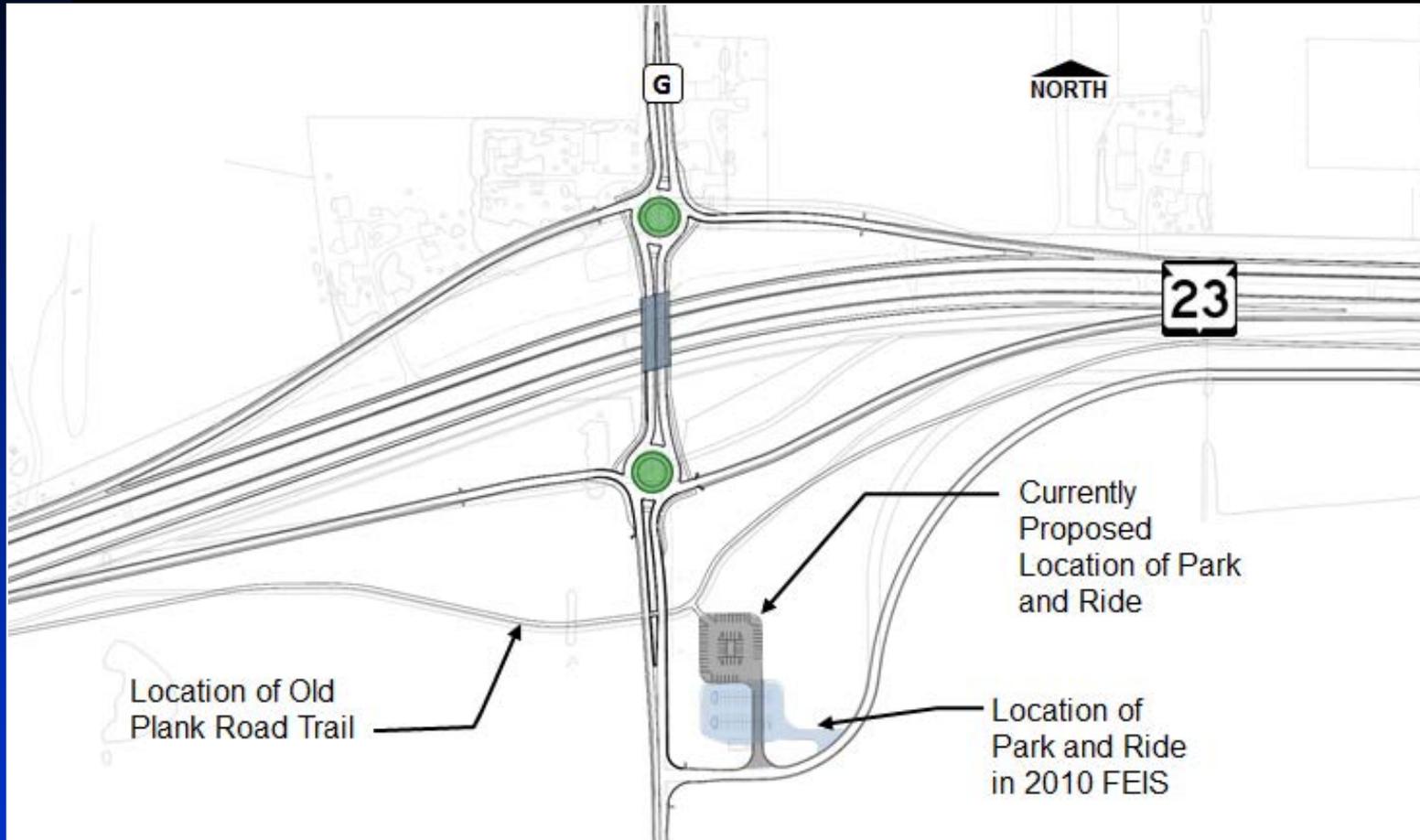
Between County K and County UU



County UU interchange



County G interchange



J-turns

- Eliminates most hazardous movements

Left turns from a side road first take a right and then make a U-turn

Left and right turns into a side road are allowed



Corridor Preservation

- n Preserves future right of way where roadway improvements are likely to be needed in future.
- n Property owners must notify WisDOT before constructing or making improvements on preserved area.



WIS 23 Corridor Preservation

n Shown on exhibits as transparent orange



- Overpass at Tower Road
- Cul-de-sacs at Poplar Road
- Overpass at 7 Hills Road
- Cul-de-sac at County W south and Hinn Road
- Rerouting of County W south to County W north
- Diamond interchange at County W north intersection.
- Overpass at Scenic View Drive
- Cul-de-sac at Plank Road
- Overpass at Sugarbush Road
- Diamond interchange at County A

Schedule



Current environmental document and design schedule

Limited Scope SDEIS released (with hearing)
Summer 2013



Combined Limited Scope SFEIS and Record of Decision released*
Fall/Winter 2013/2014

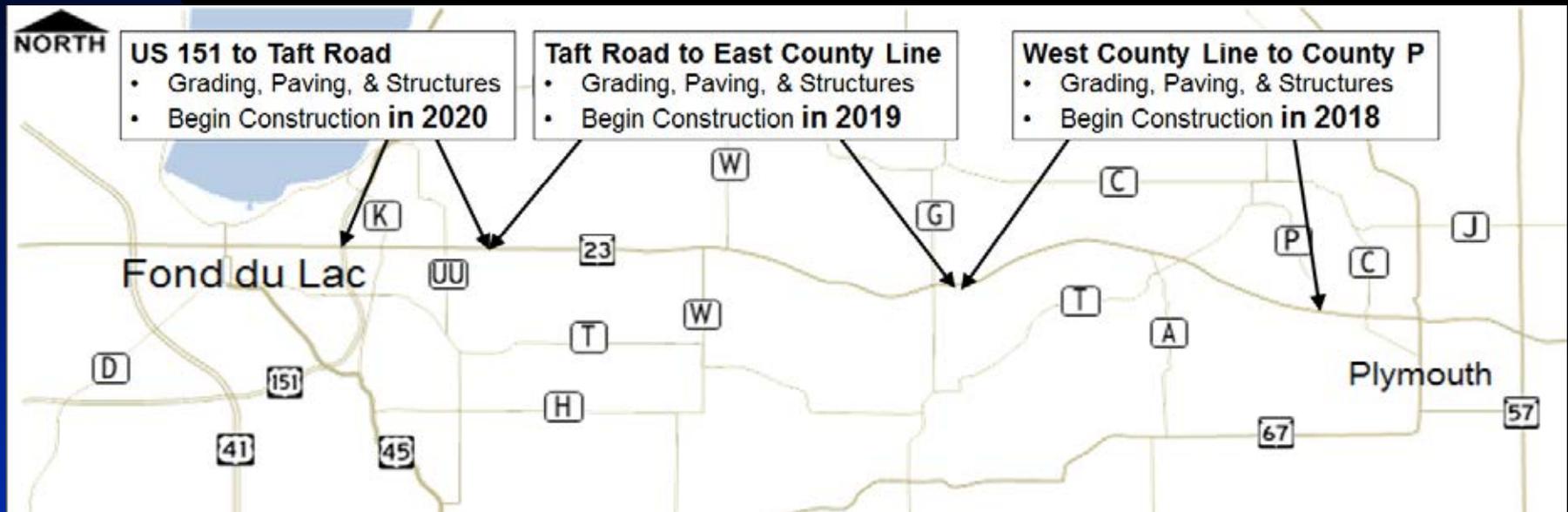
Final design and right of way acquisition – continues
through 2013 to 2014

*Unless FHWA determines to issue these two documents separately



Current construction schedule

(Pending SFEIS and Record of Decision approval)



The project is being rescheduled to begin in 2018 and be completed in 2020.

Rescheduling

(Pending SFEIS and Record of Decision approval)

The rescheduling of construction is due to these factors:

- § Projected cost increases in major highway projects required rescheduling projects to stay within program funding levels.
- § Uncertainty of the outcome of the ongoing litigation.
- § The existing facility can serve traffic needs for the near term.
- § Construction hasn't started.

WisDOT remains committed to building this project.



Questions?

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Comments

- n All comments on the environmental document are due by September 30, 2013.
- n They can be submitted tonight at the hearing, or by mail, to the following address:

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Public hearing instructions

- n Formal statement will begin hearing
- n Those interested may testify publically by raising hand and turning in slip
- n Private testimony will be received both during the formal public hearing and after it until 8:30



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