

Project Update

October 22, 2021

WIS 81, Grant County

Project Information

The \$8.7 million project is replacing pavement on WIS 81 between the intersection of US 61 near Lancaster and Ridge Avenue in Platteville and includes repairs on bridge structures across the Little Platte and Platte River.

Roughly 9.3 miles of the 11-mile project between Kingsford Road and Platteville will be completed by November 18, 2021, including new surface, shoulders, pavement markings, and beam guard.

Schedule Extension

Large areas of poor soil were discovered during construction, requiring substantial additional work to remove and replace the material and construct a quality pavement structure. Subsequently, the project completion date has been extended to 2022.

- **Construction activities will be halted for the winter beginning Nov. 18, 2021.**
- **Work will resume when weather conditions allow in Spring 2022.**
- **Project completion is expected prior to Memorial Day weekend 2022.**

Traffic

WIS 81 will be opened to all traffic (through and local) starting Nov. 18. The highway will be open to local traffic only during 2022 construction activities.

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