RACINE COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

PROJECT UPDATE JANUARY 2018



In November 2017, WisDOT took temporary jurisdiction over the following roadways:

- County KR between I-94 and 90th Street
- County H between County KR and Venice Avenue (north of WIS 11)
- Braun Road between
 I-94 and 90th Street
- International Drive from its southerly limit to WIS 11

Temporary jurisdiction was granted because WisDOT has the expertise needed to manage large and complex projects with multiple roadways and tight utility coordination time-frames. WisDOT has significant construction planned in the I-94 corridor, and one entity coordinating all road construction in the area will be most efficient and cost effective.

The proposed improvements include reconstructing County KR, County H and Braun Road as multilane, divided, urban roadways with storm sewer and a multi-use trail. Reconstruction will also include traffic signals at key intersections.

The project will extend International Drive as a multilane, divided, urban roadway with storm sewer, and a multi-use trail from its existing southerly limit to WIS 11.

WIS 11, from 56th Road to County H, will also be reconstructed to an urban, multilane roadway with storm sewer.

Wisconn Valley Way will be constructed on new alignment connecting County KR, Braun Road, and WIS 11.

Wisconn Valley Way

Wisconn Valley Way is a new north-south roadway between County KR and WIS 11. This multi-lane controlled access roadway will accommodate development traffic and control access to manage safety and mobility. The location and design of Wisconn Valley Way is also consistent with the WisDOT/Mount Pleasant MOU regarding long-term frontage road development and access management.

Right of Way Acquisition

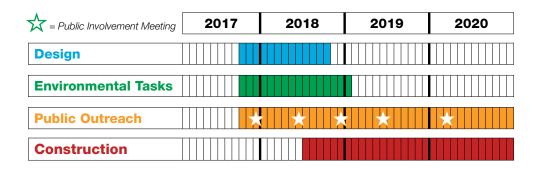
Right of way acquisition will be required to build the necessary road improvements. Except for WIS 11 west of I-94, the Village of Mount Pleasant is acquiring and paying for all necessary right of way including relocations. Any real estate questions should be directed to the Village of Mount Pleasant.

Because of the zoning, development and the projected traffic volumes, access control is necessary to maintain safety and mobility. The Village of Mount Pleasant is paying for and purchasing access rights on County KR, County H, Braun Road, and International Drive. On behalf of the department, the Village of Mount Pleasant will be paying for and acquiring access rights on Wisconn Valley Way, WIS 11, and the East Frontage Road.



Project Schedule

WisDOT will coordinate work on road improvements with anticipated work on I-94 and area developments to accommodate freeway diversion and local traffic, construction-worker access, construction-material delivery, and utility work. Look for more public meetings coming soon.



Overview Map



Protecting the Environment

All work on the roadway improvements will be done per the WisDOT/DNR cooperative agreement. The agencies will jointly address environmental issues including wetlands, water resources and water quality, floodplains, and threatened and endangered species. Through the cooperative agreement, DNR reviews and recommends design and construction practices to comply with applicable environmental and regulatory requirements. WisDOT will also obtain all necessary federal permits. This includes a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wetland permit which includes addressing potential impacts to threatened and endangered species and historic and archaeological resources.



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