



Construction Update – July 31, 2025

Highway and project ID	USH 51 (5845-16-72 & 79)
Project limits, location	Stoughton - Madison Spring Road to Fifth Street
Project length	1.495 miles
Overall schedule	March 24, 2025 – Nov 8, 2025
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Note: Updates are shown in red below.

Project Description: The work under this contract shall consist of excavation, base course, concrete paving, HMA paving, concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer, water main, sanitary sewer, retaining wall, traffic control, pavement marking, permanent signing, traffic signals, lighting and all incidental items necessary to complete the work as shown on the plans and included in the proposal and contract.

Overall traffic impacts/holiday work restrictions: USH 51 will be closed to through traffic. There is an official signed detour for the project that used STH 138, STH 59 and IH 39/90. Emergency access will always be maintained through the work zone for the duration of the project. There are several provisions regarding the maintenance of local and pedestrian traffic through the construction zone during the duration of the project.

The following holiday and special event work restrictions are contained in the contract. No work will occur during the following dates/times that will impede the free flow of traffic:

- From noon Friday, August 29, 2025 to 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 2, 2025 for Labor Day
- From Wednesday, November 26, 2025 to 6:00 a.m. Friday, November 28, 2025 for Thanksgiving

Work completed since last update:

USH 51 is closed from west of CTH N to just west of Church Street. CTH N is open to traffic for north / south crossing and to the east but there is no access to USH 51 on the west side of CTH N. There is access from the interstate to CTH N via USH 51.

Stage 1

Contractors are watering seed and sod as needed.

Stage 2

The contractors have completed the underground installation of the new storm sewer structures and pipe for stage 2. The contractors have also worked on removing the rest of the old storm sewer system (pipe and inlets)

The contractors have started the excavation for stage 2 of the project. They have completely excavated the north side of the roadway from the west end of stage 2 (between Lynn & Church) through Morris Street. They have placed the select crushed material and some of the gravel on these areas. On the south side of the roadway, they have excavated from the west end of stage 2 to Academy and through the Morris Street intersection. They are currently working on grading from Morris back to the west on the south side of the roadway. Note that they will continue to place rock for the new roadway foundation as they excavate.

Note that the various crews working for the utilities have also spent the last week working on relocating the various facilities that are in the way of the new construction.

Anticipated work schedule for next week:

Stage 1

The contractors will be watering seed & sod as needed.

Stage 2

The contractors will continue to work on the rest of the grading and aggregate placement for stage 2 of the project. After traffic is shifted back to Morris tomorrow, the contractors will move down to the east end of the stage and work on the grading and aggregate placement activities headed back to the west.

The various crews working on the utility relocations will continue until they are done with this work.

USH 51 is closed to through traffic in the work zones and will remain this way for most of the 2025 construction. There is a signed detour in place for the 2025 construction season.