

# Construction Update – May 20, 2026



<b>Highway and project ID</b>	USH 51 (5845-16-72 & 79)
<b>Project limits, location</b>	Stoughton - Madison Spring Road to Fifth Street
<b>Project length</b>	1.495 miles
<b>Overall schedule</b>	March 24, 2025 – June 15, 2026
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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, May 22, 2026 to 6:00 AM Tuesday, May 26, 2026 for Memorial Day

## **Work completed since last update:**

The contractors have finished forming the rest of the cap for the retaining wall and will pour the rest of this tomorrow.

The contractors continued to work on forming and pouring the remaining sidewalk and driveway aprons for this stage. They will be done pouring this week until the new light poles are installed and the work on the retaining wall is completed so they can finish the new sidewalk along the wall.

The contractors poured the rest of the bases needed for the new light poles in the stage 3 section of the project.

The contractors worked on the saw cutting and cleaning of the joints in the pavement and will be working on sealing these joints.

**Anticipated work schedule for next week:**

Next week, the contractors will strip the forms from the last of the cap for the retaining wall, install the rest of the railing for the retaining wall and mob off the site.

The contractors will be working on the final restoration (placement of sod and or seed and erosion mat) in stage 3 of the project.

The contractors may be working on painting the permanent pavement markings between Church Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

The contractors will be working on the final asphalt pavement on the project for the driveways and mainline line. They will be removing the asphalt pavement that was placed on the project late last fall and replacing this. They will also be working on paving behind the sidewalk at the driveways / parking lots where we just finished the sidewalk / driveway aprons.

The contractors will be working on finishing the grading around the retaining wall area so that this area can be prepped for the new concrete sidewalk.

USH 51 is closed to through traffic in the work zone from the west side of Church Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The current closure will remain in place until the work is completed up to 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The city has adjusted the local detour for the current closure.