Construction Update – Nov 13, 2026

Highway and project ID	USH 51 (5845-16-73, 74 & 83)
Project limits, location	Stoughton - Madison Harrison St to Roby Rd Roby Road to S CTH B/AB
Project length	1.288 miles & 3.624 miles
Overall schedule	March 24, 2026 – Oct 27, 2027
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Note: Updates are shown in red below.

Project Description: The work under this contract shall consist of excavation common, excavation rock, excavation marsh, select crushed material, base course dense, concrete pavement, HMA pavement, monotube cantilever sign structures, concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, concrete barrier, storm sewer, culvert pipe, permanent signing, traffic control, pavement marking, lighting, temporary traffic signals, traffic signals, sanitary sewer system components, water distribution system components, MGS guardrail, wall concrete panel mechanically stabilized earth, concrete masonry culverts (pedestrian underpasses), concrete masonry retaining walls, 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: In 2026, USH 51 will be open to traffic for the rest of 2026. The reconstruction in 2026 will run from Harrison St to S Quam Road in 2026 and this work will be completed in 2026 and fully open to traffic in 2027. The work for 2027 will consist of the reconstruction of USH 51 from S Quam Road to CTH B/AB. USH 51 through this stretch will be closed to traffic in 2027 and a detour will be provided. Access will be maintained to the local residents / business owners though this will change throughout the 2027 construction year. Emergency access will always be maintained through the work zone for the duration of the project although this will change at various times as well.

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:

Projects 5845-16-73 and 5845-16-83

- Noon Wednesday, November 25, 2026 to 6:00 a.m. Monday, November 30, 2025 forThanksgiving

Project 5845-16-74

- Noon Wednesday, November 25, 2026 to 6:00 AM Monday, November 30, 2026 for Thanksgiving
- Noon Friday, May 28, 2027 to 6:00 AM Tuesday, June 1, 2027, for Memorial Day

- Noon Friday, July 2, 2027 to 6:00 AM Tuesday, July 6, 2027, for Independence Day
- Noon Friday, September 3, 2027 to 6:00 AM Tuesday, September 7, 2027, for Labor Day
- Noon Wednesday, November 24, 2027 to 6:00 AM Monday, November 29, 2027 for Thanksgiving.

Work completed since last update:

In the past week in the segment between Harrison and Silverado, the work performed was the same as last week. The contractors continued to work on pouring sidewalk for ped ramps, sidewalk, driveway aprons and some small sections of curb & gutter. The contractors were also working on grading and the placement of topsoil around the concrete work on the south side of the roadway. The contractors also performed the last of the sealing of the joints in the concrete for this stretch and they worked on installing the permanent posts and signs for the permanent traffic control.

In the stretch between STH 138 and Roby Road, the contractors worked paving the concrete for the NB & SB turn lanes at Jackson Street along with the concrete in the middle of this intersection. The contractors worked on installing the permanent signs in this stretch as well.

In the stretch between Roby Road and Greenbriar, the contractors finished pouring all of the concrete pavement and curb & gutter for the new NB lanes and at the Greenbriar roundabout that can be completed until the NB traffic is shifted back onto the new NB lanes. The contractors also completed the asphalt paving needed for Greenbriar.

In the segment between Greenbriar and CTH B, the contractors poured the curb & gutter along both sides of the roadway through this stretch and worked on shaping the median between the new NB & SB lanes.

In the CTH B area, the contractors finished pouring all of the concrete pavement and curb & gutter that can be placed at this time until the traffic shift. They also paved the asphalt required for CTH B.

North of CTH B, the contractors continued to pour concrete pavement required at the sideroads. They also graded and prepped the sides of the new NB lanes where curb & gutter will be poured.

Anticipated work schedule for next week:

In the stretch between Harrison and Silverado, the contractor will continue to work on pouring to fill in any gaps for the for ped ramps, sidewalk, driveway aprons and curb & gutter. There will be an effort to finish all of the concrete work in town with the exception of the intersections with the traffic signals. The contractors will continue to work on placing topsoil where ever possible in conjunction with the concrete work. If the materials arrive, the contractors may be working on placing the new traffic signals and removing the temporary signals at Van Buren, Kings Lynn and Jackson.

In the segment between STH 138 and Roby Road, the contractors will be working on finishing any concrete concrete pavement that is needed for the middle of the intersection and for the left turn lanes in both directions on USH 51. They are also schedule to pour the last of the curb & gutter that is needed after the concrete work is completed in this area.

In the segment between Roby Road and Greenbriar intersection, the contractors will be working on installing one last inlet and pouring the last of the new curb & gutter along the east side of the roadway. They will also be working on sealing the joints in the concrete pavement, painting the permanent pavement markings on the NB lanes and installing the permanent traffic control signs.

Between Greenbriar and CTH B, the contractors will be working on sealing the joints in the concrete pavement, painting the permanent pavement markings on the NB lanes and installing the permanent traffic control signs. They will also be doing some grading along side of the new curb & gutter.

At CTH B, the contractors will be installing temp lighting, painting the permanent pavement markings, installing the permanent traffic control signs and sealing the joints in the concrete.

North of CTH B, the contractors finish pouring the remaining concrete pavement needed for the sideroads and gaps (specifically at the Brooklyn intersection). The contractors will be pouring the curb & gutter needed along the new concrete pavement in this stretch. They will also be working on paving the new asphalt shoulders where needed and paving in the connection at the north end of the new concrete. The contractors will also be working on installing the permanent signage and painting the new pavement markings in this stretch.

Special access notes

1. Jackson Street is open on both sides but is limited to right in / right out on both sides as the middle of the intersection will be closed off for at least one more week yet. The complete opening of this intersection will be dependent on the installation of the new traffic signals.
2. Greenbriar is closed and will remain that way for at least another week. This will likely be opened with the NB traffic switch. After this intersection is opened, however, it is likely that this will be limited to a right in / right out at this location for the contractors to finish the work needed for the west side of the new roundabout at this location.
3. Access on and off USH 51 from CTH B will be closed for at least another week yet while we the work required to switch the NB traffic to the new NB lanes. Due to concerns about driver confusion and some concern with the right turn movement off of CTH B onto the new roadway, the decision has been made to open CTH B in conjunction with the traffic switch onto the new NB lanes. The goal is to make this switch next Friday. CTH B will remain open to Stoughton Clinic but there will be no access to USH 51 until then..

USH 51 is open to through traffic in the work zones and will remain this way for rest of the 2026 construction. USH 51 will be closed to through traffic in the 2027 construction season. There will be a signed detour in place for the 2027 construction season.