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Subject: US 10/WIS 441 Tri-County Freeway
(County CB to Oneida Street)
Winnebago County
Project I.D. 1517-07-00

This is to notify local officials and other interests that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Northeast Region has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the US 10/WIS 441 Tri-County Freeway project in Winnebago County. The EA describes the proposed project, alternatives considered and environmental effects. See EA availability for more information.

Proposed improvements

The project extends from County CB west of US 41 to Oneida Street east of US 41. The purpose of the project is to improve local and regional mobility, reduce congestion and enhance safety. Proposed improvements include the following:

- Widen the Tri-County Freeway from four to six lanes between US 41 and Oneida Street and construct an outside auxiliary lane in each direction.
- Flatten the curves through the County P and County AP interchanges by shifting the freeway mainline to the north at the County P interchange and to the southeast at the County AP interchange.
- Construct a second parallel bridge over Little Lake Butte des Morts south of the existing bridge and re-deck the existing bridge. Both bridges will have three through lanes in each direction and an outside auxiliary lane.
- Reconstruct the US 41 interchange to provide free flow traffic movements in all directions.
- Reconstruct the interchanges at County P/Racine Street, County AP/Midway Road, WIS 47/Appleton Road and US 10/Oneida Street.
- Construct an auxiliary lane along northbound US 41 between County II/Winchester Road and the Tri-County Freeway.
- Roundabouts are proposed at seven locations:
 - County P interchange westbound off ramp/eastbound on ramp (1)
 - Racine Street intersection with County P interchange ramps (1)
 - County AP interchange westbound on and off ramps (1)
 - WIS 47 interchange eastbound and westbound on and off ramps (2)
 - Oneida Street interchange eastbound and westbound on and off ramps (2)

EA availability and public hearing opportunity

The EA documenting the project's effects has been prepared in accordance with the Wisconsin and National Environmental Policy Acts. Primary effects include displacement of homes and businesses, wetland impacts and traffic noise impacts. The EA is available for review at the Menasha Public Library, 440 First Street, Menasha; City of Menasha, 140 Main Street, Menasha; Town of Menasha, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah; and the WisDOT Northeast Region (see address below).

WisDOT is also providing an opportunity to request a public hearing on the location, design and environmental aspects of the project. Any hearing request should indicate the concerns and reasons why a hearing is requested. A hearing may be held if it is determined that there is substantial public interest to warrant a hearing. Written comments concerning the project's environmental effects or requests for a public hearing should be sent to WisDOT by April 30, 2010.

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