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## **Work to improve US 45 interchange in Oshkosh begins August 9**

*Construction will continue through fall of 2012*

(Green Bay) The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Northeast Region in Green Bay is announcing work begins Monday, August 9 on the reconstruction of the US 41/US 45 interchange in Winnebago County. Initial work involves construction of temporary US 41 bypass lanes at US 45. Because of this construction, the US 41 northbound on ramp at US 45 will be closed from August 9 through August 27.

This \$31 million project is being built in stages to enhance safety and minimize travel delay. Hoffman Construction of Black River Falls, WI is the contractor.

The reconstructed US 45 interchange incorporates multiple improvements:

- Reconstruct the interchange to provide free-flow movements from US 41 northbound to US 45 northbound and US 45 southbound to US 41 southbound
- Construct US 45 to pass over US 41 (US 41 currently passes over US 45)
- Construct roundabout at interchange ramps west of US 41

Work is scheduled to last through September 2012. The entire US 45 interchange is closed from April 2011 through November 2011 with US 41 traffic detoured to the WIS 76 interchange. Throughout construction two travel lanes in each direction will be maintained on US 41. During overnight hours (9 p.m. to 5 a.m.) through November, US 41 may be restricted to one lane for temporary pavement widening. Motorists are advised to remain alert and use caution when driving through this or any work zone.

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**ABOUT THE US 41 PROJECT**

WisDOT is initiating expansion and improvement of 31 miles of US 41 in Brown and Winnebago Counties. The project will include road expansion to accommodate increased traffic volume, up to 44 new roundabouts, improved interchanges and expansion of the Lake Butte des Morts Causeway. Current construction information and details about the project can be found at [www.www.US41wisconsin.gov](http://www.US41wisconsin.gov) or by calling the project hotline: (920) 492-4120.

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