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Weekly construction update

(Green Bay) The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) NE Regional Office in Green Bay is providing a weekly update on region construction, which includes the counties of Brown, Calumet, Door, Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, Outagamie, Sheboygan, and Winnebago.

Motorists are advised to use caution and remain alert when driving through any work zone.

Drivers are also encouraged to seek information about work zones and detours in the following ways:

- For statewide, recorded road construction information, 24 hours a day, call 511.
- For statewide road construction on the World Wide Web, visit www.511wi.gov

Please note: All work is weather dependent.

During the Thanksgiving Holiday, most work will stop and lanes opened from noon Wednesday, November 23 to 6 a.m. Monday, November 28.

Brown County

Glory Road Bridge Replacement - US 41 major

Schedule: July 2011 to December 2011

Length: 0.000 Miles

Cost: \$2.4 million

Location: Glory Road, Orange Lane to Larson Road

Description: This project will reconstruct the Glory Road bridge over US 41. The existing bridge will be removed and a new structure will be placed in the same location. The approaches to the bridge will also be reconstructed and paved as part of the project.

November 14 to November 20: Work on the wall will be completed this week and then they will begin working on the roadway approaches by completing storm sewer work and rough grading. Work on the deck of the bridge will be done this week with the pouring of the sidewalk portion of the deck.

November 21 to November 27: Work will continue on the deck with the pouring of the parapet wall on the bridge. They will also be done on the approaches to get them ready for paving the following week.

Traffic impacts: Glory Road is closed. No work will be done from noon on Wednesday, November 23 through 5 a.m. on Monday, November 28.

Hemlock Creek and Dutchman's Creek Box Culverts - US 41 major

Schedule: July to December 2011

Length: 0.02 miles (Hemlock Creek) and 0.03 miles (Dutchman's Creek)

Cost: \$4.4 million

Location: Orange Lane – Larson Road

Description: This project will construct new box culverts at two locations along US 41. One box culvert will be constructed to carry Hemlock Creek across US 41 south of Scheuring Road, and the second box culvert will be constructed to carry Dutchman's Creek across US 41 north of Hanson Road. There will be temporary widening at each location for the first phase, with traffic moved to the outside will the middle portion of each box culvert is constructed. During the second phase, all traffic will be shifted to the center of US 41 while the outside ends of each box culvert are constructed.

November 14 to November 20: Work will continue on both the east and west ends of the Dutchman's Creek box culvert, as well as the sections under the northbound and southbound lanes of US 41. This work will continue all of this week. At the Hemlock Creek box culvert, removal of the median cross over should begin this week and the median area restored. This work may carry over into next week.

November 21 to November 27: Work will continue on both the east and west ends of the Dutchman's Creek box culvert, as well as the sections under the northbound and southbound lanes of US 41. This work will continue all of this week. At the Hemlock Creek box culvert, removal of the median will be completed this week and miscellaneous clean-up work will be conducted.

Traffic impacts: Northbound and southbound US 41 traffic at the Dutchman's Creek location will be in the median for the next month.

Mason Street Interchange and 9th Street to Larsen Road Mainline - US 41 major

Schedule: September 2011 to October 2012

Length: 1.000 Mile

Cost: \$29 million

Location: Mason Street Interchange and US 41 Mainline from 9th Street to Larsen Road.

Description: This project will reconstruct the Mason Street Interchange with new ramps, bridge over US 41, roundabout ramp terminals, and retaining walls. The project also includes the complete reconstruction of the US 41 mainline through the Mason Street Interchange vicinity, from just south of 9th Street to just south of Larsen Road. Mainline includes the paving of mainline to the ultimate roadway section including the replacement of the 9th Street Bridges, box culverts, retaining walls, and storm sewer. The project further includes the razing and removal of the Allied Pool building and subsequent construction of a detention pond on that site.

November 13 to November 19: Bridge crews will begin abutment construction on the US 41 northbound bridge over 9th Street. Retaining wall crews will continue work along the northwest quadrant of the interchange between Mason and Lambeau, and at the east side of the proposed Mason Street structure. Grading crews will continue grading in the gore areas of the ramps and for the new northbound lanes of US 41. Crews will complete removal of the Allied Pool building and construction of the detention pond on that site.

November 20 to November 26: Bridge crews will continue abutment construction on the US 41 northbound bridge over 9th Street. Retaining wall crews will continue work along the northwest quadrant of the interchange between Mason and Lambeau, and at the east side of the proposed Mason Street structure. Grading crews will continue grading in the gore areas of the ramps and for the new northbound lanes of US 41. Crews will complete removal of the Allied Pool building and construction of the detention pond on that site.

Traffic impacts: The northbound Lanes of US 41 will remain on the southbound side of the roadway through Spring 2012. The northbound off-ramp to Mason Street will utilize a temporary cross-over just north of 9th Street until the interchange is closed in February 2012. The northbound on-ramp from Mason Street will utilize the new lanes of US 41 northbound and will merge into US 41 northbound traffic at the north cross over near Larsen Road until the interchange is closed in February 2012. Mason Street remains open to traffic at all times with intermittent lane/shoulder closures for utility and retaining wall work. The right turn lane on Mason Street westbound between Hinkle Street and the US 41 southbound off-ramp will remain closed. The outside shoulder lane along Lambeau Street eastbound/northbound (from Oneida One Stop to Starr Court) will also be closed.

US 41/WIS 29 County RK (South Frontage Road) East – US 41 major

Schedule: May 2011 to October 2011

Length: 0.7 Miles

Cost: \$3.6 million

Location: WIS 29 South Frontage Road, Duck Creek to County EB (Packerland Drive)

Description: Work consists of constructing an urban roadway (County RK) with sidewalk along the south side of the roadway, street lighting, and plantings; constructing a new bridge over Duck Creek with aesthetic details; reconstructing the multi-use path under the new bridge and installing under deck lighting; reconstructing the entrance into Pamperin Park with an electronic gate, aesthetic details, and decorative luminaries; realigning Parkside Court to a future S. Memorial Drive connection; constructing a noise wall along the south side of County RK; and constructing detention ponds.

November 14 to November 18: Contractor continued to work on punch list items: Pamperin Park gate, miscellaneous cleanup throughout the project.

November 21 to November 25: Contractor will continue to work on punch list items.

Traffic Impacts: County RK is now open to traffic from the new Pamperin Park entrance to County EB, but remains closed west of Duck Creek. The recreational trail along Duck Creek from Shawano Avenue into Pamperin Park is now open.

US 41/WIS 29 County J Structures and County RK (South Frontage Road) West – US 41 major

Schedule: June 2011 to May 2012

Length: 1.1 Miles

Cost: \$10 million

Location: WIS 29/County J and WIS 29 South Frontage Road, County J to Duck Creek

Description: Work consists of building new structures along WIS 29 at County J with aesthetic details and under deck lighting; reconstructing County J from Berkshire Drive to Shawano Avenue to go under WIS 29 with street lighting, sidewalks, and plantings; constructing a single lane roundabout at the intersection of County J and new County RK (South Frontage Road); and constructing a new urban roadway (County RK) with sidewalk along the south side of the roadway, street lighting, and plantings.

November 14 to November 18: Contractor continued to place the anchor slabs for the retaining walls; they finished pouring the curb and gutter and placed the asphaltic surface from the roundabout to the temporary connection point; they finished pouring the concrete sidewalk along County RK and around the roundabout; they placed the pavement markings along County RK; and they WPS installed the street lighting along County J and throughout the roundabout.

November 21 to November 25: Contractor will pour the final anchor slab for the retaining wall; they will finish placing topsoil and landscape in the terrace area along County RK; they will install the permanent signs along County RK and County J; and they will work on the permanent median barrier wall along WIS 29.

Traffic Impacts: County RK and County J south of the roundabout is scheduled to be open to traffic the week of November 21. Lane closures along WIS 29 eastbound and westbound will continue during non-peak travel times for the next two weeks. Both directions of WIS 29 will remain open to two lanes during peak travel times. WIS 29 westbound traffic is scheduled to be shifted onto the new lanes and structure the week of November 14.

US 41 (early structures/early fills, Beaver Dam Creek Box Culvert and wetland mitigation site - Resort Road, Suamico) – US 41 major

Schedule: June 2011 to October 2012

Length: 0.8 Miles

Cost: \$38.2 million

Location: US 41/WIS 29 Interchange, County J village of Suamico

Description: The work under this contract consists of common excavation, borrow excavation, construction of structures storm sewer, culverts, and erosion control.

Nov. 14 to Nov. 20

Continue work, complete temporary sheeting box and place on hold until next year. Continue Piling for piers. Continue grading and embankment operations. Continue the excavation at the Wetland Mitigation Site south side. Continue to place retaining walls. Start pavement marking removals, pavement markings and switch traffic back to the original US 41 at Box -692. Start and complete the Beaver Dam Creek realignment at Box -691 and -692.

Nov. 21 to Nov. 27

Continue Piling and start concrete masonry for piers. No excavation at the Wetland Mitigation Site this week. Continue to place retaining walls. Start abutment piling. Place topsoil, prep areas for winter shut down and general clean up.

Traffic Impacts:

Traffic will experience single lane closures on US 41 from WIS 29 to Velp Ave. both northbound and southbound from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Manitowoc and Sheboygan counties

I-43 Crack Sealing (WIS 42 to WIS 310)

Schedule: September to November

Length: 26 Miles

Cost: \$460,000

Location: North and southbound lanes on I-43 from WIS 42 to WIS 310

Description: Work will consist of routing and sealing asphaltic pavement cracks and pavement marking on I-43 from WIS 42 to WIS 310.

November 21 to November 25: Work will continue on I-43 with the contractor completing the pavement marking. All pavement marking will be re-painted on I-43. All work performed during this week will be during daytime hours. Traffic will be open to one lane in construction areas with a mobile lane closure behind the Pavement Marking operation.

November 28 to December 2: I-43 will be open to traffic.

Traffic impacts: There will be a mobile single lane closure for either northbound or southbound I-43 traffic behind the pavement marking operation. Drivers can expect minor delays while crews are working. All lanes will be open from noon, Wednesday, November 23 to 6 a.m. Friday, November 25.

Outagamie County

West College Avenue – city of Appleton

Schedule: October to November 2011

Length: 1.5 miles

Cost: \$1.0 million

Location: US 41 to Perkins Street

Description: The project involves concrete pavement repair and replacement, asphalt shoulders, railroad approaches, base course shoulders, curb and gutter repair, inlet reconditioning beam guard updates, pavement marking and signing.

November 14 to November 20: The contractor will continue to do concrete repair work along the westbound lanes. The contractor will continue to mill and overlay the shoulders eastbound and westbound.

November 21 to November 27: The contractor will be installing pavement markings (weather permitting), removing construction barrels and general cleanup.

Traffic Impacts: Project will conclude Friday, November 18 with the exception of pavement marking. There may be some minor traffic impacts for pavement marking, removal of construction barrels and general cleanup

Sheboygan County

I-43

Schedule: September 20, 2010 to August 24, 2012

Length: 24 miles

Cost: \$14.5 million

Location: Ozaukee to Sheboygan County Line to WIS 42

Description: This project involves asphaltic paving, eight new bridges, three bridge overlays, two deck replacements, beam guard, concrete base patching, ramp closure gates, and law enforcement pad.

November 14 to November 18: The contractor is performing the following work: **Grading For the bull nose beam guard installation under County KK, grading for enforcement pads, and installing Type 2 signs.**

November 21 to November 25: The contractor plans on performing the following work: **continue to install Type 2 signs, and adjusting beam guard.**

Traffic impacts: Various lanes closures will occur, between the Ozaukee/Sheboygan County Line and the County V and I-43 Interchange, during non-peak hours.

All lanes will be open from noon to 7 p.m. Friday, November 18 and from noon Wednesday, November 23, to 6 a.m. Monday, November 28.

Winnebago County

WIS 21 Interchange and US 41 reconstruction over Lake Butte des Morts - US 41 major

Schedule: August 2011 to July 2013

Length: 2.1 miles

Cost: \$54.2 million

Location: WIS 21 Interchange, US 41 mainline from 1500 feet north of Witzel Avenue, to the US 45 Interchange.

Description: This project involves the reconstruction of the WIS 21 interchange. WIS 21 will be reconstructed to pass over US 41. The interchange will be completely reconstructed to include roundabouts at ramp terminals and at the WIS 21 intersections with Washburn and Koeller Streets. This project all includes the reconstruction of mainline US 41 from Witzel Avenue to the US 45 Interchange including new bridges over Lake Butte des Morts and Sawyer Creek. The work on the Lake Butte des Morts causeway will include a recreational trail along the east side of US 41 over the causeway.

November 14 to November 20: Crews continued building cofferdams, excavating and driving piling for the piers on the main channel bridge for southbound US 41 over Lake Butte des Morts. Crews continued working on the retaining wall on the northwest quadrant of the WIS 21 interchange.

November 21 to November 27: Crews will continue building cofferdams, excavating and driving piling for the piers on the main channel bridge for southbound US 41 over Lake Butte des Morts.

Traffic impacts: The shoulders of northbound US 41 are closed between Witzel Avenue and Lake Butte des Morts. The southbound shoulders of US 41 are closed between US 45 and Witzel Avenue. Southbound US 41 is reduced to two 11-foot lanes between US 45 and WIS 21. Motorists should expect US 41 to be reduced to one 11-foot lane between Witzel Avenue and US 45 between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday and between 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. Friday nights and Saturday mornings.

US 41 – Mainline (US 45 to Breezewood Lane)

Schedule: March 2011 to June 2013

Length: 8.0 Miles

Cost: \$45 Million

Location: US 41 - US 45 Interchange to Breezewood Lane

Description: This project involves the reconstruction and widening of USH 41. The work includes construction of multiple structures including: bridges, box culverts, and sign bridges along with grading, base aggregate, concrete and asphalt pavements, concrete barrier wall, and pavement marking.

November 14 to November 20: There will be a southbound lane closure at Breezewood Lane to remove and replace the existing Type I sign on the overhead sign support structure on night this week. All other work is complete for the year.

November 21 to November 27: There will be an overnight lane closure in the Northbound lanes to repair pavement in the crossover near Snell Road and another area near the off ramp to WIS 76.

Traffic impacts: Southbound traffic has moved to the new southbound US 41 pavement. Traffic is still reduced to two lanes starting at Winneconne Avenue; however, the lane closure has changed from a right lane to a left lane closure

US 41 - Southbound mainline paving, WIS 26 to WIS 44, WIS 26 bridge staining - US 41 major

Schedule: August 2010 to November 2011

Length: 2.7 miles

Cost: \$19 million

Location: US 41 mainline from approximately one mile south of the US 44 overpass to approximately one mile south of the WIS 26 overpass.

Description: In 2011, 2.7 miles of mainline US 41 northbound and southbound will be widened to three lanes in each direction and concrete median barrier installed. The WIS 26 Bridge over US 41 will be architecturally treated to match the US 41 corridor theme. Work performed this week in the US 41 southbound median lane will include placing concrete pavement to close the gaps in the mainline pavement that were necessary to allow access to the temporary WIS 26 ramps. Work will also include the slip forming of the southbound permanent 56-inch barrier wall, the placing of epoxy pavement marking and the installation of permanent signing and landscaping. Other incidental work will include the construction of Intelligent Transportation System facilities; placing of vaults, conduit, microwave detection systems and the pulling of fiber optic cable.

November 14 to November 18: During the week it is planned for southbound US 41 traffic to be moved to its permanent lane configuration utilizing the newly completed southbound lanes and the permanent on and off-ramps to and from WIS 26. Work performed this week in the US 41 northbound median and outside lanes include the slip forming of the northbound permanent 56-inch barrier to close the gaps in the previously placed permanent northbound barrier wall, the placing of epoxy pavement marking and the installation of beam guard, permanent signing and landscaping. Other incidental work will include the construction of Intelligent Transportation System facilities; microwave detection systems and the pulling of fiber optic cable.

November 21 to November 25: During the week and then throughout the winter shut down period it is planned that both northbound and southbound US 41 traffic to be operating in the newly completed permanent lanes and utilize the newly constructed permanent on and off-ramps to and from WIS 26. Work performed this week within the project corridor will include finishing items, clean up and the relocating of the terminals for the three cable barrier system at the project's south limits.

Traffic Impacts: During the week, northbound US 41 traffic will continue operating in the newly constructed northbound lanes. Southbound US 41 traffic will be switched to the two newly constructed outside (westerly) southbound lanes. US 41 southbound traffic will continue to use the newly constructed permanent on and off-ramps to and from WIS 26.

Work on US 41 southbound median will continue to take place behind temporary concrete barrier and traffic control drums from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily Monday through Friday, and some night work activities may occur throughout the period.

US 41 – US 45 Interchange

Schedule: August 2010 to September 2012

Length: 1.5 Miles

Cost: \$31 million

Location: US 41/US 45 interchange.

Description: This project involves construction of multiple structures including bridges, box culverts, retaining walls, and sign bridges along with grading, base aggregate, concrete & asphalt pavements, concrete curb & gutter, and pavement marking.

November 14 to November 18: Work will continue on the pier work and abutment work on the flyover ramp. Top soil and landscaping work will continue. Electrical work will continue. The retaining wall will continue to be worked on.

November 21 to November 25: Work will continue on the retaining wall. Top soil and landscaping work will continue.

Traffic impacts: The on-ramp from US 45 to US 41 northbound is closed. The off-ramp from US 41 northbound to US 45 is closed. A detour is set up for US 45 traffic exiting from US 41. For US 45 southbound traffic, follow US 41 northbound to WIS 76, then follow WIS 76 south to Murdock Ave. For US 45 northbound traffic, follow US 41 northbound to WIS 76, follow WIS 76 northbound to US 10, then follow US 10 westbound to US 45 northbound.

9th Avenue Interchange, north US 41 Mainline Paving, US 44 bridge painting - US 41 major

Schedule: August 2010 to November 2011

Length: 3.6 miles

Cost: \$34.3 million

Location: 9th Avenue Interchange, US 41 Mainline from 1500 feet north of Witzel Avenue, to one mile south of the WIS 44 overpass.

Description: This project involves temporary widening of the southbound US 41 lanes during the fall of 2010 to provide a staged construction zone in which 3.2 miles of US 41 will be reconstructed. There will be an additional turn lane added on WIS 21. In 2011, the 9th Avenue bridge over US 41 will be demolished and rebuilt as a decorative bridge. Two retaining walls will be built in front of the abutments. The 9th Avenue interchange and the ramp terminal intersections will be reconstructed, and four roundabouts will be installed.

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November 14 to November 18: Due to weather, the traffic switch will now occur Wednesday and Thursday nights, November 16 and 17. There will be northbound outside lane closures to place the rumble strip and to paint the white epoxy edge line the night of November 17. Signs will be installed in the median and on the outside of the northbound on Thursday night, along with other miscellaneous items.

November 21 to November 25: Minor punch list work will occur early in the week. The project will be finishing up quickly after that. It will take approximately 2 weeks for the traffic control contractor to remove all of their traffic control devices, so please continue to drive with care in this area.

Traffic impacts: On US 41, traffic is currently on the outside lanes on the new southbound facility. Northbound traffic will stay in their current traffic pattern, on the outside lanes of the northbound facility to allow work to be completed on the median lanes. Traffic will be opened to three lanes in each direction by Friday morning, November 18. There will be a northbound outside lane closure to place the rumble strip and to paint the white epoxy edge line during the day on November 21, and a south bound outside lane closure during the day on Monday November 21 to finish some punch list work. During the weekend of November 18 to 20, and after November 22, both northbound and southbound US 41 traffic should be open to three lanes in each direction until major work resumes in March 2012.

US 45 frontage roads

Schedule: June 2011 to September 2012

Length: 5 miles

Cost: \$13.2 million

Location: US 45; County G to County II, Winnebago County

Description: The project involves constructing frontage roads along both sides of US 45 and constructing bridges for the three local roads between County G and County II (Woodland/Breezewood, Lakeview/Oakridge, Grandview) to overpass US 45. Direct access to US 45 for these three local roads will be removed as part of the project.

November 14 to November 18: Began construction of the abutments for the Arrowhead River crossing on the west frontage road. Removed temporary concrete barrier along the outside of US 45 adjacent to the Breezewood Lane/Woodland Road overpass and the Grandview overpass. Worked on completing the erosion control required for winter shutdown.

November 21 to November 25: Complete any remaining landscaping and erosion control items required for winter shutdown. Work on the abutments for the Arrowhead River crossing on the west frontage road will resume on the week of November 28.

Traffic impacts: Access to US 45 from Woodland/Breezewood and Grandview Roads has been eliminated. Lane closures along US 45 will take place as necessary to complete work adjacent to US 45. Grandview Road and the West Frontage Road from Grandview to County II is now open to traffic. Woodland Road and Breezewood Lane is now open to traffic. The west frontage road from County G to Woodland Road is now open to traffic.

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