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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](http://www.511wi.gov)

## **Winnebago County**

### **North Main Street, city of Oshkosh**

**Schedule:** March 15, 2010 to November 2010

**Length:** 0.8 Miles

**Cost:** \$6 million

**Location:** Fox River Bridge to Irving Avenue

**Description:** This project involves the complete reconstruction of North Main Street. Project includes grading, base aggregate, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, water main, service laterals, concrete pavement, concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, signing, street lighting, traffic signals, landscape plantings and incidentals.

**September 4 to September 10:** The contractor is scheduled to work on concrete pavement, traffic signals, street lighting, sidewalk removal and replacement in the 400 and 500 blocks. Concrete pavement is scheduled for completion in the 600 block. The Parkway intersection is scheduled for concrete and asphalt paving. Concrete pavement in the 200 block is scheduled for completion late in the week.

**September 11 to September 17:** The contractor is scheduled to continue working on concrete pavement, traffic signals, street lighting, sidewalk removal and replacement in the 400, 500 and 600 blocks.

**Traffic Impacts:** N. Main Street is closed to traffic from Ceape Ave. to Irving Ave. Single lane traffic on Main Street across the Fox River Bridge to Ceape Ave. will be maintained at all times.

Otter Ave. / Pearl Ave. is open to one-way westbound traffic only.

Cross traffic on High Ave. / Waugoo Ave. will be maintained at this time.

Cross traffic on Algoma Blvd. / Washington Ave. will be maintained at this time.

Church Ave / Merritt Ave. will be maintained at this time.

Parkway Ave. is scheduled to remain closed at this time. It is anticipated that the intersection will be opened to cross traffic by Monday, September 13.

Cross traffic on Irving Ave. will be maintained at this time.

The signed detour route for N. Main Street will be 9<sup>th</sup> Ave to Oregon St to Jackson St.

Pedestrian access to businesses and residents on both sides of Main St. will be impacted by the upcoming sidewalk removal and replacement in the 400, 500 and 600 blocks. The contractor will coordinate access with individual property owners and residents to minimize access interruptions.

**US 41 – US 45 Interchange - US 41 major**

**Schedule:** August 2010 to September 2010

**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.

**August 30 to September 3:** Night work will continue on the US 41 northbound median, grading and installing storm sewer in the median south of the USH 45 interchange.

Paving will begin on

Tuesday along the US 41 northbound on ramp and northbound shoulders. The US 41 northbound on ramp will get pavement marking prior to opening up to traffic. Single lane nighttime closures will continue to be needed.

**September 3 to September 6:** No work Friday night, September 3 through Monday, September 6.

**Traffic impacts:** US 41 northbound will have single lane nighttime closures, and the US 41 northbound on-ramp at the US 45 interchange will be closed for a maximum of 21 days.

**US 41-US 45 - US 41 major**

**Schedule:** July 2009 to August 2010

**Length:** N/A

**Cost:** \$3.6 million

**Location:** US 45/Algoma Boulevard, Fernau Avenue, Snell Road, and Stillman Drive, city of Oshkosh to town of Oshkosh

**Description:** This project constructs US 45/US 41 roundabout, local streets reconstruction, and construction of the detention pond. Project includes earthwork, storm sewer, base aggregate, concrete pavement, asphaltic pavement, curb and gutter, signing, sign structures, pavement marking, and landscaping.

**Traffic impacts:** US 45 southbound traffic is reduced to a single lane starting at the US 41 northbound off-ramp and continuing for 500 feet past the new roundabout. US 45 northbound traffic is reduced to a single lane starting 500 feet north of the new roundabout and continuing to the US 45/Snell Road intersection. Starting August 18, US 45 and the roundabout will be open. Fernau Avenue traffic should use the roundabout to get onto Fernau Avenue while Snell Road traffic will still use the traffic lights. Snell Road traffic will be routed onto the temporary bypass.

### **US 41 – Witzel Avenue overpass - US 41 major**

**Schedule:** August 2009 to November 2010

**Length:** 0.937 Miles

**Cost:** \$8.3 million

**Location:** Washburn Street, Witzel Avenue, Koeller Street, and Rath Lane.

**Description:** This project involves the demolition/reconstruction of the bridges on North Koeller Street and Washburn Street over Sawyer Creek, the realignment and reconstruction of Rath Lane/North Koeller Street, the reconstruction and realignment of Washburn Street frontage road, the demolition and reconstruction of the Witzel overpass at US 41, and the construction of two roundabouts and three retaining walls at the Witzel/Washburn and Witzel/Koeller intersections.

**August 30 to September 3:** Sidewalk on Washburn will finish up along Washburn, and landscaping activities will take place. Light pole installation planned. The Witzel/Washburn intersection will be closed to through traffic, beginning August 30. During that time, work will be completed within the Washburn roundabout; the irrigation system, plantings, signing, traffic marking, and overhead sign supports. Various concrete replacements will occur as required. The Koeller roundabout will likely be opened to traffic prior to or during the Labor Day weekend. There will be no crossing of the Witzel bridge, until that is opened up at a later date.

**September 7 to September 10:** Concrete replacement, landscaping, signing, pavement marking, fencing, and overhead sign support work should wrap up this week. The Washburn/Witzel intersection is scheduled to be open by September 10. Punch list work will follow.

**Traffic impacts:** Traffic cannot cross US 41 at Witzel, as the existing bridge has been removed and is being replaced. Traffic will need to use either WIS 21 to the north, or 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the south.

Through traffic will still be allowed at the Washburn/Witzel and Koeller/Witzel intersections during construction of the Witzel Avenue structure, no traffic will be allowed onto the bridge. Two-way, through traffic will continue on Washburn during construction. Traffic may be flagged at times. Koeller Street, Washburn Street, and Witzel Avenue will remain open to bi-directional traffic on a gravel surface. The west end of West Pointe Drive will be closed to through traffic, due to construction phasing issues at the Koeller/Witzel intersection. After Sunday, July 17 traffic on Washburn may be directed on the two center lanes, between Witzel and the north end of the project. Traffic will not be allowed through the Witzel/Koeller intersection for a period of 14 consecutive days, beginning 8/23. Traffic will not be allowed through the Witzel/Washburn intersection for a period of 14 consecutive days, beginning 8/30. Traffic should be opened to through the Koeller/Witzel intersection/roundabout prior to or during the holiday weekend. Traffic will not be allowed to turn onto the Witzel bridge westbound during this time.

Access will be maintained as much as possible to the Walmart driveway off of Witzel Avenue during the Washburn/Witzel intersection closure. There will be times when this access will be closed to allow construction operations to occur adjacent to this area.

There will likely be US 41 lane closures during the nights of 9/1, 9/2, and possibly 9/3 to allow the staining of the bridge and the removal of temporary concrete barrier to occur.

#### **US 41 – Lake Butte des Morts - US 41 major**

**Schedule:** August 2009 to November 2010

**Length:** N/A

**Cost:** \$15.2 million

**Location:** US 41 southbound from US 45 interchange to the WIS 21 interchange.

**Description:** This project involves widening the Lake Butte des Morts Causeway including the southbound US 41 off ramp to WIS 21. The project also constructs a new overpass for Lake Butte des Morts Drive over US 41 as well as the reconstruction of Lake Butte des Morts Drive and Marine Drive. This project also involves grading associated with the new US 41/US 45 interchange.

**August 29 to September 4:** Crews continued work on the Lake Butte des Morts Drive overpass parapets. Grading and landscaping was completed on the causeway. Marine Drive grading and landscaping was completed. Culvert pipes on Marine Drive were installed.

**September 5 to September 11:** Work will continue on the parapet walls for the Lake Butte des Morts Drive overpass. The contractor will strip false work from the Lake Butte des Morts overpass deck using nightly lane closures on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights (Sept. 7-9). Breaker run and gravel will be placed on Marine Drive and Lake Butte des Morts Drive. Breaker run will be installed on the south end of the causeway.

**Traffic impacts:** Southbound US 41 is reduced to two 11-foot lanes between US 45 and WIS 21. Northbound 41 inside and outside shoulders are closed at Westwind Road. The Wiouwash Trail is closed between Marine Drive and Ryf Road until fall 2010. Beginning Monday, April 12 through August 2010, Lake Butte des Morts Drive will be closed between Westwind Road and County T (Ryf Road). Access will be maintained to local residents and businesses, via County T or Westwind Road. Beginning Monday, June 28, the Wiouwash Trail parking lot will be closed for the relocation of the Lake Butte des Morts Drive – Westwind Road intersection; the parking lot will remain closed until mid-August. Westwind Road will be closed to through traffic between Marine Drive and Lake Butte des Morts Drive. Access to Westwind Road west of Lake Butte des Morts Drive will be via County T and Lake Butte des Morts Drive to Westwind Road.

#### **US 41 – Northbound mainline widening and Bell Street/Breezewood Lane interchange - US 41 major**

**Schedule:** June 2010 to October 2011

**Length:** 8 miles

**Cost:** \$27.5 million

**Location:** US 41 Northbound from Snell Road to Bell Street/Breezewood Lane and Bell Street/Breezewood Lane from west of Bergstrom/Gillingham Road to east of Harrison Street.

**Description:** The project involves widening the existing northbound lanes of US 41 including the structures over WIS 76 and the CN railroad spur. The project also includes the complete reconstruction of the Bell Street/Breezewood Lane interchange including the structures over US 41 and the CN railroad line, several retaining walls, grading, storm sewer, pavement, signing, lighting, pavement marking, and ITS systems.

**August 29 to September 4:** Crews continued working on the west half of the new WIS 72 and CN railroad structures; widening the median shoulder north and south of WIS 76; continued on a box culvert extension along the southbound on ramp to US 41.

**September 5 to September 114:** Crews will continue working on the west half of the new WIS 76 and CN railroad spur structures and continue on the median widening of northbound US 41. Construction of a box culvert extension along the southbound on ramp to US 41 will continue.

**Traffic impacts:** The US 41 northbound shoulder is closed from Snell Road to just north of Breezewood Lane. The US 41 southbound outside shoulder is closed from Breezewood Lane to the CN Railroad spur structure. The US 41 southbound median shoulder is closed from Breezewood Lane to Snell Road. US 41 northbound will be reduced to one lane of traffic Mondays to Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 5am nightly and Fridays from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. at varying locations between Snell Road and Breezewood Lane. US 41 southbound may be reduced to one lane of traffic Mondays to Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. nightly and Fridays from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. at varying locations between Snell Road and Breezewood Lane. WIS 76 is reduced to one lane in each direction under US 41.

**9<sup>th</sup> 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:** 9<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue interchange and the ramp terminal intersections will be reconstructed, and four roundabouts will be installed.

**August 30 to September 3:** Initial survey and layout work is being completed. Erosion control items will begin to be placed later in the week.

**September 7 to September 10:** Contractor should begin widening US 41 on the southbound shoulder during night time work. There will be a shoulder closure during this time.

**Traffic impacts:** US 41 southbound traffic will be affected by an outside lane closure between the hours of 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday, and between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. on Friday evenings, between WIS 21 and WIS 26.

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