

Public Involvement Meeting

WisDOT Project ID 4676-04-00/71

County N

County CE – County KK

Town of Buchanan

Outagamie County

February 3, 2022

Welcome to the public involvement meeting for the proposed improvements to County N. The purpose of tonight's meeting is to familiarize you with the details of the project and to seek your input on the proposed improvements. We encourage you to review the project handout and exhibits on display and direct questions or comments to any of the project representatives. We also encourage you to provide written comments regarding the proposed improvements using the comment sheet provided.

Project Purpose and Need

The purpose of the project is to enhance the safety and traffic capacity of County N by improving the roadway surface and pavement structure, improving the safety and traffic operations at intersections, and providing accommodations for pedestrians and bicyclists.

In 2017, there were 10,800 vehicles utilizing County N per day. The traffic volume is projected to increase to 16,400 vehicles per day by year 2045. The highway has capacity issues where turn lanes are not present. The intersection at Emons/Buchanan Rd has both operational and safety concerns at certain times of the day and is in need of additional capacity.

Project Highlights

The proposed project is located on County N between County KK and County CE. The project will expand the highway to a 3-lane section, with one through lane in each direction and a center turn lane to accommodate left turns at driveways and intersections, paved shoulders for bicycle accommodations, a 10-foot multi-modal path along the east side of County N and a 5-foot sidewalk along the west side of County N.

The project includes reconstruction of the intersections of Whitetail Ridge Ct, Saratoga Dr, Hillside Dr and the expansion of the single lane roundabout to a multi-lane roundabout at the intersection of Emons Rd/Buchanan Rd.

Proposed Roadway Details

The proposed reconstruction project includes the following improvements:

- West side will have an 11-foot travel lane, a 5-foot paved shoulder, curb and gutter, 5.5-foot grass terrace and a 5-foot sidewalk.
- East side will have an 11-foot travel lane, with a 5-foot paved shoulder, curb and gutter, 6-foot grass terrace and a 10-foot multi-modal path.
- Center 14-foot wide two-way left turn lane which will allow vehicles to move out of the travel lanes to make left turns onto side roads and driveways
- Storm sewer system to drain the roadway.
 - Four large underground detention pipes will be installed to treat the stormwater prior to discharging to the environment.

The County N/Emons Rd/Buchanan Rd roundabout will be reconstructed with two lanes for northbound and southbound traffic, two lanes on the Buchanan Road approach with one lane being a designated right turn lane, and a single lane on the Emons Rd approach.

The north leg of the County KK intersection will be reconstructed, extending the southbound left turn lane and modifying intersection radii to better accommodate all vehicles. Crosswalks will be added to cross County N and County KK. The signals will be modified to include pedestrian push buttons.

The project will have some unavoidable wetland impacts. The posted speed limit will remain at 35 mph.

Traffic control during construction

During construction, County N will be closed to through traffic. A signed detour will be provided, using County KK, Hwy 441, and County CE. Access will be maintained for businesses and residents for the duration of the project, including to the Buchanan Town Hall and fire station. Construction is estimated to take approximately 6 months.

Right of Way

Additional highway right-of-way will be required along County N for the highway widening, grading, and for intersection improvements. Temporary limited easements (TLEs) will be needed for slope grading near proposed curb and gutter locations and at some driveway locations. Right of way impacts are shaded on the meeting displays.

Proposed Project Schedule

The proposed schedule is as follows:

Right-of-Way Acquisition	Beginning Fall 2022
Complete Roadway Design	Fall 2024
Utility Relocations	Spring 2024-Spring 2025
Construction	Anticipated Start May 2025

Public input/comments

Attached to this handout is a comment sheet. We encourage and appreciate written comments/concerns you have regarding the proposed project. Please submit by mail or email comments by February 18, 2022 or leave them in the comment box tonight.

Your comments assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community. Your input is welcomed and appreciated throughout the design process.

For more information or to view the information presented at tonight's meeting, please reference the project website: www.outagamie.org/CountyN or contact:

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