



US 151 Corridor Plan Fond du Lac Bypass

July 2008

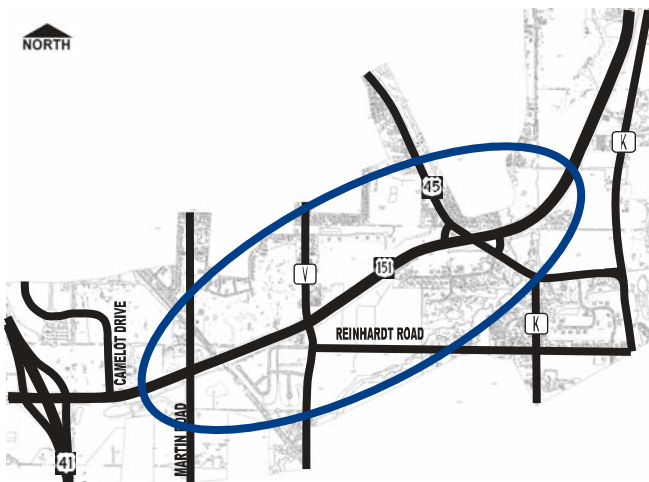
Fond du Lac bypass middle alternative to be announced!

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) will announce the preferred middle alternative at a public information meeting scheduled for July 22, 2008. The selection of the preferred middle alternative comes after design activities that followed the March 27, 2008, public information meeting. These activities have resulted in the following actions:

- Alternative D2 (the interchange between County V and US 45) has been removed from further consideration.
- WisDOT has held meetings with the stakeholder committee and Fond du Lac emergency response personnel.
- The public comments given to WisDOT from the March 27 meeting were reviewed and summarized.
- Archaeological and historic surveys are being completed.
- Many options and refinements for improving the alternatives have been considered such as connectivity considerations (e.g., north frontage road options), costs, and impacts associated with each alternative.
- The local governments have drafted resolutions regarding the middle alternatives.

Construction of the preferred middle alternative is not scheduled. Funding for this alternative has not yet been secured, and the environmental document still must be completed. WisDOT is working to address these two items in order to implement the preferred alternative.

In previous meetings, WisDOT committed to mapping the right-of-way needed for a future Martin Road overpass and constructing a future County T overpass. It has not yet been determined when these overpasses will be constructed.



The location of the middle segment of US 151 and the focus of the July 22, 2008, public information meeting

Public meeting scheduled

A public meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2008, from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. at University of Wisconsin-Fond du Lac. The focus of this meeting will be the middle segment (shown in the adjacent graphic). WisDOT staff will be available to discuss design details of the alternative and meet with residents and interested parties.

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Mission statement:
To provide leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system.

Public Meeting Scheduled

- Tuesday, July 22, 2008
- 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.
- Presentation at 6:10 P.M.
- University of Wisconsin-Fond du Lac Prairie Theater and Commons
- 400 University Drive, Fond du Lac, WI 54935



What can you expect to learn at the July 22 public meeting?

The focus of this public information meeting is the US 151 middle segment (Martin Road to US 45). Proposed County T improvements will also be presented. Exhibits and materials will show the alternatives that were considered and reasons for the preferred alternative selection. Exhibits for the west and east segments are also planned. WisDOT staff will be on hand to answer questions and receive comments.

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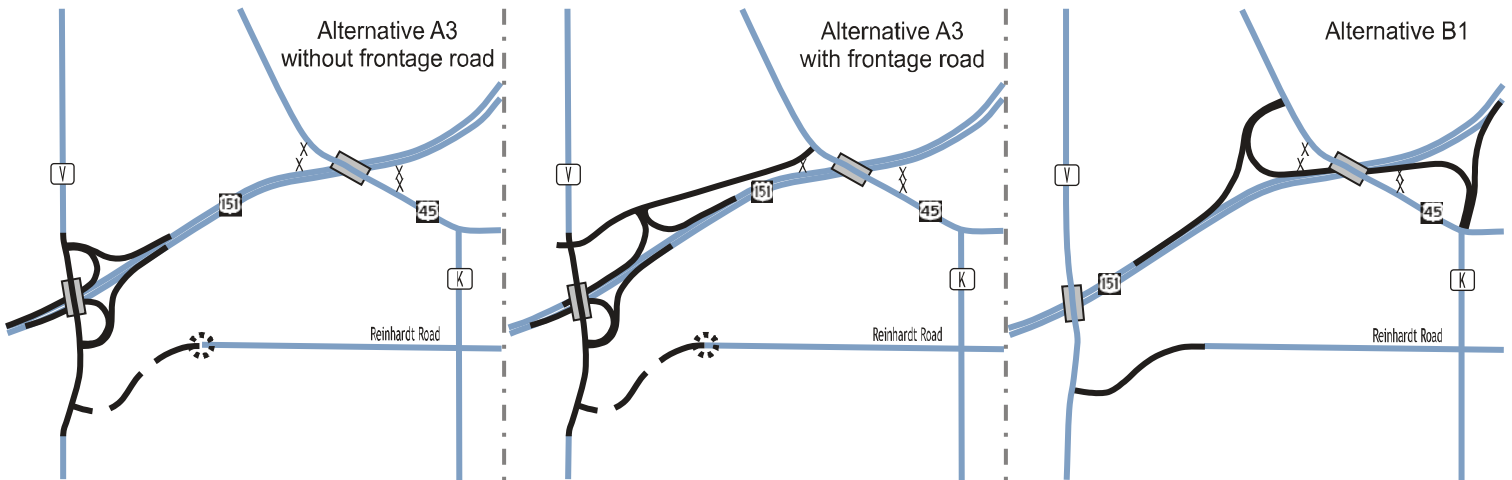
Where: University of Wisconsin - Fond du Lac
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Middle alternative concepts considered

Note: Martin Road overpass not shown



Local governments voice their support

WisDOT has strived to interact with local governments throughout the US 151 Corridor Preservation Study. Recently, support for middle alternatives was given by the following local governments:

- Fond du Lac County board of supervisors support Middle Alternative A3 with a frontage road between County V and US 45 (April 22).
- City of Fond du Lac council members endorse Middle Alternative A3 (May 14).
- Town of Fond du Lac board members endorse Middle Alternative B1 (April 21).

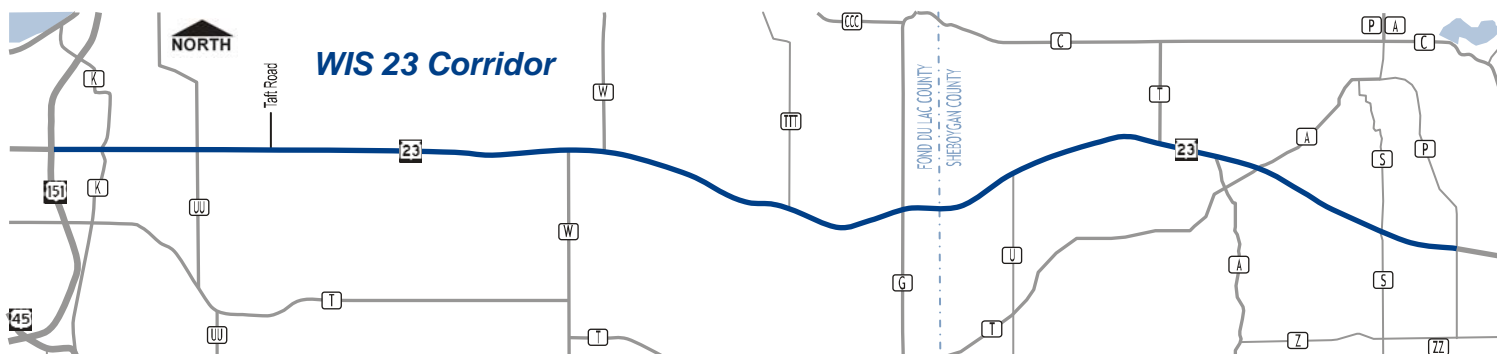


WisDOT thanks stakeholder committee members

WisDOT would like to thank the stakeholder committee members for their continued involvement and dedication to this corridor study. The time, constructive feedback, and creative solutions the stakeholder committee members have provided to the study team during the eight stakeholder meetings have been invaluable.

What's up on WIS 23?

Under a separate project, a Final Environmental Impact Statement is being prepared for WIS 23 between US 151 in Fond du Lac County and County P in Sheboygan County. The WIS 23 project will provide a four-lane divided highway that serves existing and projected traffic volumes and improves traffic flow and safety for local and regional traffic. The project will be constructed in two stages. The rural portion from Taft Road to County P will be constructed first and is tentatively scheduled for 2013-2014. The second stage will incorporate the urban/rural portion of the corridor from US 151 to Taft Road and is tentatively scheduled for 2015. The exact construction limits of this project are dependent on WisDOT's selection of the future US 151/WIS 23 system interchange alternative. The WIS 23 project corridor is shown below:



Work has continued on the east segment (Alternatives 23-1, 23-2, and 23-7) for the US 151 corridor plan. The alignment of the Alternative 23-7 corridor has been modified. Displays at the public information meeting will reflect this modified alignment. No changes have been made to alignments of Alternative 23-1 and 23-2. In addition, no decision has been made on which future US 151/WIS 23 system connection is the preferred alternative. The selection is anticipated to take a minimum of 12 to 18 months.

West and east segment update

WisDOT is continuing work on refining system interchange options for the US 41 area and investigating options for the US 151/WIS 23 connection. Activities include:

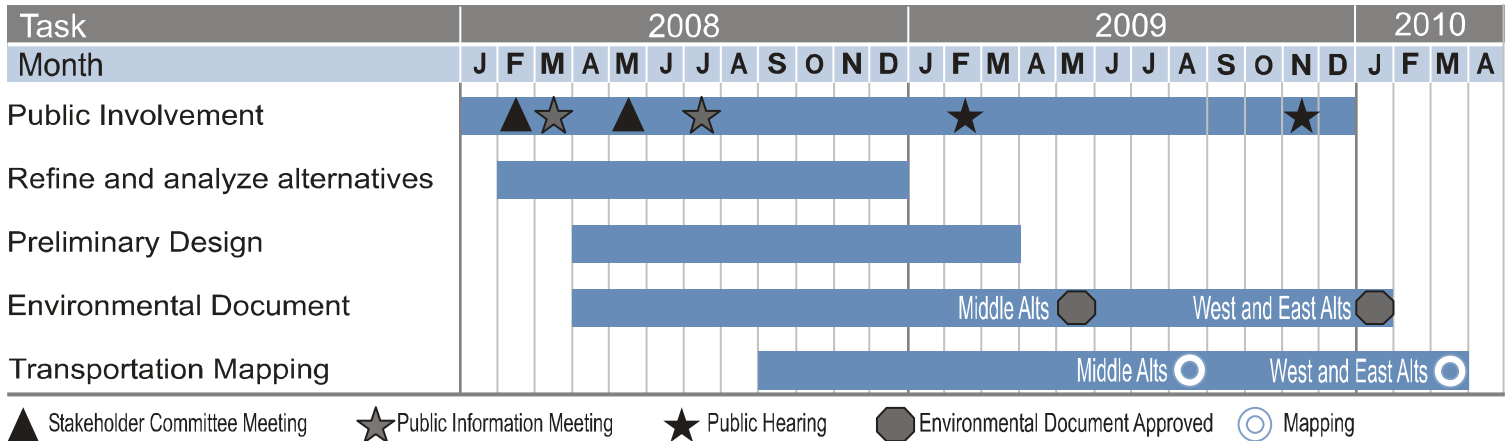
- Traffic demand modeling to understand how traffic will use the US 41 and WIS 23 connections.
- Design refinements to better understand the impacts associated with alternatives.
- Understanding potential traffic use of an east-west road and possible US 41 service interchange south of the current US 41/US 151 interchange.

More information on the west and east segments is anticipated to be available in the fall of 2008. WisDOT staff will be available at the July 22 public meeting to answer questions on an individual basis about the west and east segments.

We need your input at a public information meeting

A public information meeting is scheduled on July 22, 2008, at the University of Wisconsin-Fond du Lac Prairie Theater and Commons located at 400 University Drive in Fond du Lac from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. (a short presentation will be made at 6:10 P.M.). Exhibits will be on display and available for review. Comment forms will also be available.

Current Study Schedule



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