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Village of Ridgeway

August 9th, 2023

Re: **US 18/151 High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) Project**
Project ID's: 1204-00-30/60 & 1204-00-31/61
Dodgeville – Barneveld
US 18/151
Iowa County

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is proposing to improve the safety of US 18/151 between the Town of Dodgeville and the Village of Barneveld in Iowa County. The purpose of the project is to address the safety concerns along seven pairs of curves in this segment, and the project is needed to reduce the high rate of run-off-the-road crashes. This project will also include a HFST overlay on the US 18/151 eastbound bridge deck over S Jones St in Barneveld to extend the service life of the deck.

In lieu of an in-person meeting, the project team is sending the enclosed newsletter, project display, and comment form. We are seeking your input on the proposed project.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more about the project, please contact me at the phone number or email below or visit the project website at <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/sw/us18151-dodgeville/default.aspx>

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: Newsletter
Project Location Map
Comment Form



US 18/151 Dodgeville to Barneveld Iowa County

August 2023

Project Overview

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is proposing to improve the safety of US 18/151 between Dodgeville and Barneveld by applying a High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) to seven pairs of curves and a bridge deck (see next page for project location). Construction is currently scheduled for 2025. This newsletter has been prepared to provide you with an update on the proposed project and instructions for providing comments on the proposed design. All persons with an interest in the project are encouraged to provide comments by September 14th, 2023, either by phone, email, or mail using the attached comment form. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

Purpose and Need

The purpose of the project is to address the safety concerns of the horizontal curves on US 18/151 between Dodgeville and Barneveld. The project is needed to reduce the high rate of run-off-the-road crashes on the curves. This project will also address the deterioration of the bridge deck on US 18/151 EB over S Jones St to extend the service life of the bridge.

Summary of Proposed Improvements

The following alternatives were considered for this project:

- No Change – This alternative would fail to address the high rate of run-off-the-road crashes and the deterioration of the bridge deck over EB S Jones St.
- High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) – This is the only alternative that will adequately address the purpose and need of the project.

The proposed improvements listed below and shown on the next page are for the HFST alternative. All construction will be limited to the travel lanes and bridge decks. Improvements include the following:

- Apply a High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) overlay to the seven pairs of curves, including the four bridges located within these curves, and the US 18/151 bridge deck over S Jones St in Barneveld.

The project is still early in the design phase and WisDOT is looking for feedback for the proposed alternative being considered.

Traffic Impacts

US 18/151 would be reduced to one-lane of traffic in each direction during each stage of construction. Temporary ramp closures at the US 18/151 interchange, the Ridgevue Road interchange and the County ID interchange will be necessary at times, as will temporary closures at the intersections of County Y/YZ, Hi-Point Road, and W Brigham Road/Pikes Peak Road. Access would be maintained to property owners with driveways within the project limits. Construction is expected to last up to three months.

Project Schedule (subject to change)

2023	Preliminary Design, Environmental Document
February 2025	Final Plan
Summer 2025	Construction

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Public Comment Form

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Please place this form in the mail by September 14th, 2023, to the address on the back of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to Derek.Potter@dot.wi.gov. 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 welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

Name: _____

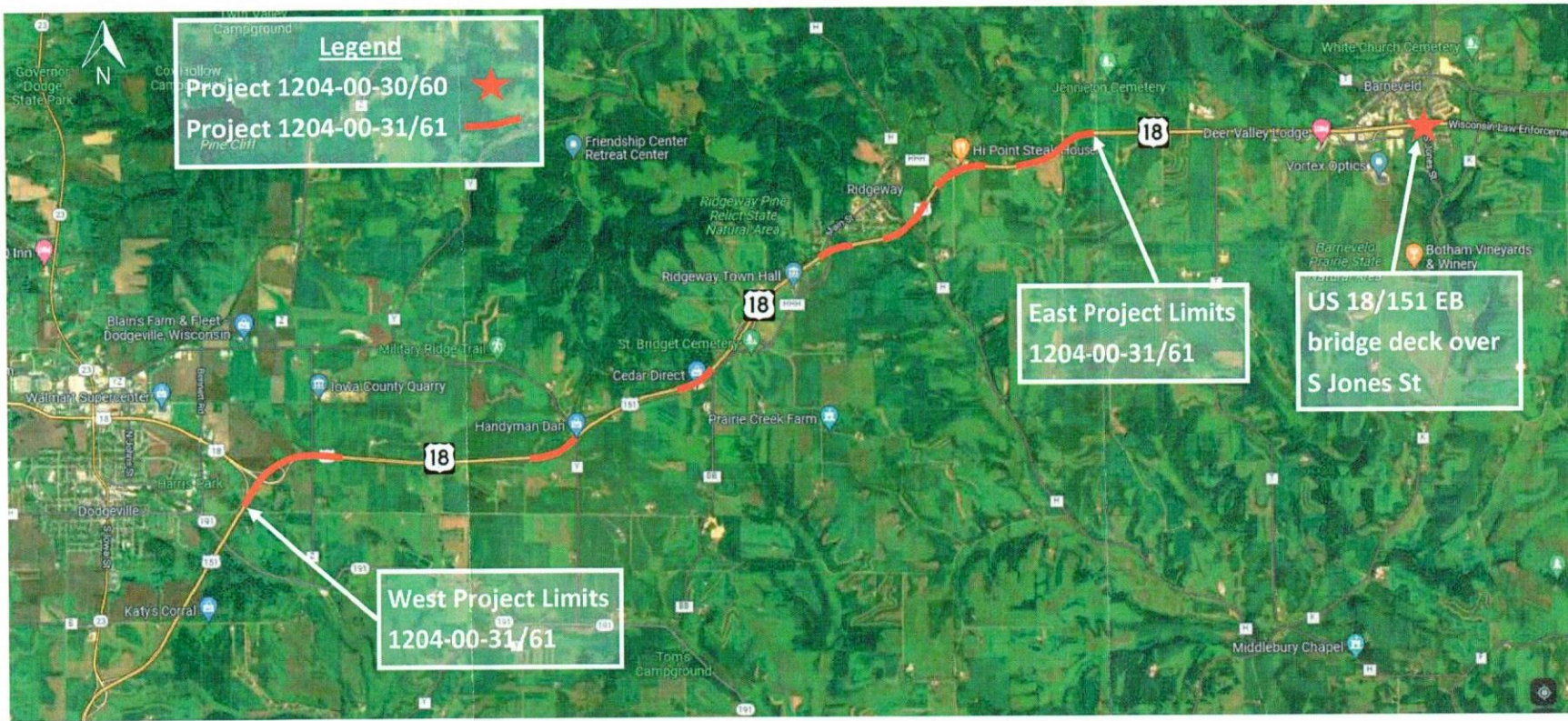
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Daytime Phone Number (optional): _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

The information in this document including names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and signatures is not confidential, and may be subject to disclosure upon request, pursuant to the requirements of the Wisconsin open records law, sections 19.31 - 19.39 of the Wisconsin Statutes.



PROJECT LOCATION MAP



Iowa County

1204-00-30/60	1204-00-31/61
USH 18/151	USH 18/151
S Jones St. Bridge B-25-37	Dodgeville to Barneveld
Construction Year: 2025	Construction Year: 2025