

WIS 153

**WIS 153 and Old 51 intersection
Marathon County
Project I.D. 6600-01-05**



Public Information Meeting

**Wednesday, September 9, 2009
6 to 8 p.m.
Mosinee High School cafeteria**

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Purpose of meeting

The purpose of this meeting is to present the preliminary design for the intersection of WIS 153, Old 51, and Ranger Street along with the intersection of Old 51 and Depot Street. This handout and the exhibits on display were prepared to help familiarize you with the current project details. Please feel free to ask questions or make comments.

Project information

The proposed project is the reconstruction of the WIS 153/Old 51/Ranger Street intersection into a roundabout. The current intersection layout and traffic control are not providing satisfactory operations, and recent crash history indicates that traffic patterns through the intersection are confusing to drivers. The project is necessary to improve the intersection's operation and safety. More information related to roundabouts can be found at www.wisconsinroundabouts.gov

The existing Wausau Paper driveway entrance is located too close to the proposed intersection to remain at its current location. Mill traffic will be directed north on Old 51 to the intersection of Depot Street.

Decorative street lighting and decorative landscaping are under consideration by the city of Mosinee. A 10-foot multi-use trail is proposed around the entire perimeter of the roundabout and will connect to the new trail constructed with the bridge projects.

Construction is currently scheduled to begin in summer 2010 and is scheduled for completion in 2010 before the end of the year.

Traffic control during construction

Staged construction will be used to keep WIS 153 open to traffic during construction; short-term lane closures with flagging operations will be necessary at times. Motorists can expect to encounter delays.

Two roadway sections will be closed for the majority of the project duration: Ranger Street between the intersection and Edison Street, and Old 51 north between the intersection and Edison Street. The intersection of Depot Street/River Road/Old 51 north will also be closed for the majority of the project duration. Access to Wausau Papers and the EJ Dairy storage facility will be available at all times during construction.

An alternate route for truck traffic will be signed on I-39, WIS 34, Marathon County C, Marathon County O, and WIS 153 during construction.

Public comments

We encourage you to talk to our project representatives and ask them questions. Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments about the project. Please mail any written comments before **September 25, 2009**, or simply drop it in the comment box tonight.

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