



PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF DOWNING, WEST BOUNDARY ROAD

SANDY CREEK BRIDGE, P-17-0712

DUNN COUNTY

PROJECT ID: 8926-00-00

Public Involvement Period:
July 1 – August 1, 2026



Project Team

- Dustin Binder – Highway Commissioner
 - Dunn County Highway Department
- Matt Berg – Project Manager
 - WisDOT Local Program
- Brian Udovich, P.E. – Design Consultant
 - Cedar Corporation

Purpose of Public Involvement

The public involvement effort for this project was developed to inform the general public and users of this portion of West Boundary of the proposed project and potential traffic impacts along the project area during construction. Objectives include:

- Identifying stakeholders which may be affected by the project and include them in the project development process.
- Communication with concerned parties to understand expectations and address issues brought forth by the public and other stakeholders.
- Coordination with local officials and law enforcement to complete the project safely and in accordance with community needs.

The effort includes developing necessary press releases and sending letters to affected parties.

Objectives

- Project Location
- Project Purpose and Need
- Existing Facilities
- Proposed Improvements
- Real Estate Impacts
- Project Costs
- Project Schedule
- Questions

Project Location

- Project Area:
 - Sandy Creek Bridge P-17-0712 on West Boundary Road
 - Project length: 240 feet
- West Boundary Road
 - Classified as a Local Road
 - Estimated Average Daily Traffic (ADT): 138 vehicles per day (vpd)
 - Two 10-ft asphalt travel lanes and 2-ft. grass shoulders (rural cross section)
 - Speed Limit: Statutory 55 mph
 - Right of way: 66 feet
 - Land Use within Project Area
 - Woodland, wetlands, and agricultural cropland
- Sandy Creek Bridge P-17-0712
 - Single span timber flat slab
 - 26.5 ft. long, 258 ft. wide
 - Load posted at 20 tons



Project Location

Project Purpose and Need

- Purpose

The purpose of the proposed action is to maintain a safe and efficient transportation system by addressing roadway deficiencies that affect roadway serviceability/maintainability and could also affect roadway safety.

- Need

The project needs which support the project purpose are identified below:

- **Structural Deficiencies**

- The existing bridge (P-17-0712) is showing signs of deterioration. The asphalt overlay on the timber deck has weathered and is characterized by cracking/patching/and potholes. It was last chipsealed in 2020. Both the timber spreader beam and abutments have also weathered and are tipping and splitting. All timber piles are showing signs of decay and are distorted. Wooden posts on the metal bridge rail are also weathered and the wingwalls are decaying.
- The sufficiency rating for the structure was determined to be 39.9 on a scale of 100, per the 2025 bridge inspection making it eligible for replacement.

- **Stream Channel Migration**

- The existing channel flows North to South, then makes a hard left turn to the East at the bridge. Over time, the stream has migrated toward the Northwest corner of the existing bridge, resulting in scouring of the roadway and bridge.

Existing Conditions



Existing conditions – West Boundary Road



Existing conditions - Sandy Creek Bridge

Existing Conditions



Upstream view of Sandy Creek



View of Substructure – existing bridge

Proposed Improvements

- The proposed project involves:
 - Removing and replacing the existing deficient bridge structure
 - Reconstruct approaches on either side of the bridge
 - Minor stream realignment of Sandy Creek
 - Placing riprap in northeast quadrant to prevent scouring of the bridge and roadway
- Construction is proposed for 2027
- Traffic Impacts:
 - The project area would be closed to traffic during construction.
 - Access would be maintained to adjacent properties and emergency vehicles
 - A detour route would not be signed as alternate routes are available.

Real Estate Impacts

- None anticipated

Project Costs

- Funding for this project is provided in part by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Local Bridge Program.
- Federal funding would cover 100% of the design and construction costs.
- The total cost for this project is anticipated to be approximately \$485,000; the final cost would be based on final quantities for the project.

Project Schedule



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Preliminary Plans – April 2026



Environmental Document – June through July 2026



Final Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) – November 1, 2026



Construction would be scheduled for 2027

Questions?

Comments are welcomed. If you have any concerns, or would like to request additional information, please contact the following individuals:

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Comments can be sent by mail, email, or phone to either of the above individuals. A comment form is provided at <https://dunncountywi.gov/highway>

Comments regarding this project may be submitted until: August 1, 2026.