Public Involvement Meeting Handout

East Holum Street Reconstruction
Dane County

Project ID: 6992-00-14/15/18

Wednesday, September 4, 2025
6:00 to 7:30 PM
DeForest Village Hall

Purpose of the meeting

The Village of DeForest along with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) welcomes you to this Public Involvement Meeting for the proposed reconstruction of East Holum Street, from Market Street to North Towne Road, in the Village of DeForest, Dane County. The purpose of today's meeting is to present to residents the preferred design alternative, answer questions, and listen to your comments, concerns, or suggestions. The meeting will feature a brief presentation, followed by an open house format.

Project information

The Village is in the process of developing plans for a proposed reconstruction project along the East Holum Street corridor, between Market Street and North Towne Road. The project is being funded through the Surface Transportation Program (STP). Proposed improvements include reconstructing the urban road section and improving the storm water management with additional storm sewer and replacing sanitary and water mains. Substandard crosswalks and ramps and sidewalk will be improved for pedestrian accommodations.

The primary goal for the project is to improve the pavement, add storm sewer capacity, and replace deteriorated sanitary sewer and water mains. Improved pedestrian facilities will also be reconstructed to better accommodate pedestrian travel and safety.

Proposed traffic impacts

East Holum Street is expected to be closed to through traffic during construction and detoured for the duration of the project. Closing the roadway during construction is anticipated to greatly reduce construction time and expense and typically results in a better-quality roadway. Residents south of East Holum Street will always have access to their properties. Access locations will change throughout the project. Changes to access changes will be communicated through Village. See the detour handout for more information. Vinburn Road will be utilized as a detour route.

Temporary driveway closures will be necessary during parts of the construction process. Construction staff will contact homeowners and businesses in advance before closing a driveway.

Real estate

Temporary limited easement (TLE) for minor grading and permanent easement (PLE) will be required for this project. PLEs likely needed for stormwater improvements. The Village of DeForest expects to begin real estate acquisition in Spring of 2026.

Project Schedule

WisDOT Grant Award:	November 2024
Complete Preliminary Plans & Initial Coordination:	Spring 2026
Archaeological & Architectural History Review:	Spring 2026
60% Plans:	August 2026
Final Plans Submittal:	Spring 2027
Project Construction:	Late Spring & Summer 2028

Public input/comments

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. Attached to this handout is a sheet for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before September 18, 2025, or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also e-mail your comments to the contacts listed below.

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.

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