

Memorandum

TO: All Mayors, Village Presidents, and Town Chairs in the MPO Planning Area and Dane County Executive

FROM: Alexandra Andros, Director & Transportation Planning Manager

DATE: July 16, 2025

RE: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the Interstate 39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to North County Line) Reconstruction and Capacity Expansion Project.

This is to notify you of a proposed amendment to the Greater Madison MPO's [2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County](#). The amendment would add the Interstate 39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to North County Line) reconstruction and capacity expansion project to the 2025-2029 TIP.

The State Transportation Projects Commission (TPC) recommended enumeration of the I-39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to USH 12/STH 16 in Wisconsin Dells) reconstruction and capacity expansion project at their meeting on December 9, 2024. In March 2025, the Greater Madison MPO Policy Board adopted MPO 2025 Resolution No. 4, adding the I-39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to North County Line) reconstruction and capacity expansion project to the Fiscally Constrained 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. Funding for the I-39/90/94 project (Beltline Highway to USH 12/STH 16 in Wisconsin Dells) was formerly enumerated with the recent adoption of the 2025-2027 Biennial State Budget.

The proposed amendment to the Greater Madison MPO's 2025-2029 TIP will fund program control and corridor tasks, design work, and right-of-way real estate acquisitions for the Interstate project. Construction is expected to begin after 2029. Refer to the attached project listing table for additional information.

The I-39/90/94 reconstruction and capacity expansion project will potentially be constructed in six sequences, as shown on the attached map that was presented to the State Transportation Projects Commission on December 9, 2024. The project will address safety issues, aging and outdated corridor infrastructure, existing and future traffic demands, and corridor resiliency. The potential sequences within the Madison area are described below.

Sequence 2 (Madison North Area):

- Construction planned for 2030-2035
- Removes left-hand ramps from the USH 151 interchange that cause weave movements



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- Construction of new Hoepker Road Interchange
- Reconstruction and expansion to eight general purpose lanes and four collector-distributor lanes from STH 30 to USH 151.
- Reconstruction and expansion to eight general purpose lanes and two auxiliary lanes from USH 151 to USH 51
- Reconstruction of USH 151 from I-39/90/94 to Reiner Road/Grand Avenue

Sequence 5 (Madison South Area):

- Construction planned for 2038-2045
- Removes left-hand ramps from the I-94/STH 30 interchange that cause weave movements
- Construction of new Milwaukee Street Interchange
- Reconstruction and expansion to eight general purpose lanes and two auxiliary lanes from USH 12/18 to STH 30/I-94
- Reconstruction of STH 30/I-94 from USH 51 to new Milwaukee Street interchange

Sequence 6 (Madison to Portage):

- Construction planned for 2044-2051
- Reconstruction and expansion to eight general purpose lanes and two auxiliary lanes from USH 51 to STH 19
- Reconstruction and expansion to eight general purpose lanes from STH 19 to CTH V in Columbia County (south of the Wisconsin River)

In addition, the project will reconstruct deteriorating bridges, add noise barriers where reasonable and feasible, and add bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

The following is the date of the public hearing on the amendment to the 2025-2029 TIP for the I-39/90/94 reconstruction and capacity expansion project, which provides an opportunity to provide oral comments to the board.

Public Hearing

Wednesday, August 6 at 6:30 p.m.

at MPO Policy Board Virtual Meeting hosted via Zoom

[Note: See agenda when posted [here](#) and on city of Madison website for information on how to register to speak]

Written comments or concerns regarding the amendment to the 2025-2029 TIP for the Interstate 39/90/94 reconstruction and capacity expansion project must be submitted in writing by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6. Please email comments to MPO staff at mpo@cityofmadison.com or mail them to the Greater Madison MPO office at 100 State Street, #400, Madison, WI 53703.

The MPO anticipates taking action on the TIP amendment following the public hearing unless the board receives comments expressing concerns prior to or at the hearing in which case action could be delayed.

Cc (via email):

MPO Policy Board and CC List

MPO Technical Committee and CC List

Administrators/Clerks in the MPO Area

WisDOT Central and SW Region Staff Contacts

FHWA Contacts

INTERSTATE 39/90/94 (BELTLINE HIGHWAY TO NORTH COUNTY LINE) PROJECT LISTINGS FOR
MAJOR AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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Primary Jurisdiction/ Project Sponsor	Project Description	Cost Type	Jan.-Dec. 2025				Jan.-Dec. 2026				Jan.-Dec. 2027				Jan.-Dec. 2028				Jan.-Dec. 2029				Comments
			Fed	State	Local	Total	Fed	State	Local	Total	Fed	State	Local	Total	Fed	State	Local	Total	Fed	State	Local	Total	
STREET/ROADWAY PROJECTS																							
WISDOT NEW * 111-25-	INTERSTATE 39/90/94 S Beltline (USH 12/18) to North County Line Program Control and Corridor Tasks: Monitor progress of corridor through design, row acquisitions and construction. Includes reporting, information and technical support.	PE	76,500	8,500		85,000		Continuing				Continuing				Continuing				Continuing			1015-10-00 (Design) 1015-10-01 (Design) 1015-10-20 (Real Estate) North limit of project is Dees Road in Juneau County. Construction anticipated to start in MPO Planning Area after 2029. Total project cost (Madison to Wisconsin Dells) is \$3.67B. Approximately \$2.1B of that amount attributed to project IDs completely or partially within the Madison Metropolitan Area
		ROW					13,500	1,500		15,000		Continuing				Continuing				Continuing			
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		TOTAL	76,500	8,500		85,000	13500	1,500		15,000													
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NEW * 111-25-	INTERSTATE 39/90/94 Hanson Road to North County Line Reconstruction and Expansion from 6 to 8 lanes with associated reconstruction of bridges and interchanges.	PE	52,200	5,800		58,000		Continuing				Continuing				Continuing				Continuing			1012-30-00 (Design) 1012-30-20 (Real Estate) North limit of project is Richards Road in Columbia County. Construction anticipated to start in MPO Planning Area after 2029. Total project cost (Madison to Wisconsin Dells) is \$3.67B. Approximately \$2.1B of that amount attributed to project IDs completely or partially within the Madison Metropolitan Area
		ROW					9,900	1,100		11,000		Continuing				Continuing				Continuing			
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		TOTAL	52,200	5,800		58,000	9,900	1,100		11,000													
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NEW * 111-25-	INTERSTATE 39/90/94 S Beltline (USH 12/18) to Hanson Road Reconstruction and Expansion from 6 to 8 lanes with associated reconstruction of bridges and interchanges.	PE	85,500	9,500		95,000		Continuing				Continuing				Continuing				Continuing			1012-20-00 (Design) 1012-20-20 (Real Estate) Construction anticipated to start in MPO Planning Area after 2029. Total project cost (Madison to Wisconsin Dells) is \$3.67B. Approximately \$2.1B of that amount attributed to project IDs completely or partially within the Madison Metropolitan Area
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		TOTAL	85,500	9,500		95,000	45,000	5,000		50,000													
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¹ Project programming shown in 2029 is for informational purposes only.
(x) = Major project with capacity expansion. (*) = MPO action required. Shading denotes those projects programmed for Federal funding.
NOTE: Funds Key page 9.

Potential Sequencing

- Focusing on biggest needs first & maximizing asset life
- High level potential sequencing:

1. Wisconsin Dells area
2. Madison north area
3. Portage to Wisconsin Dells
4. I-39 I-90/94 split
5. Madison south area
6. Madison to Portage



*Assumes \$250M/SFY to I-39/90/94 Project

