

April 1, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Nebraska Link 45B to Close at Ewing

Weather permitting, beginning the week of April 8, the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will be closing Nebraska Link 45B (L-45B) at the Stream Bridge, just north of Ewing, for restoration work.

A. M. Cohron & Son, Inc., of Atlantic, Iowa, has the \$237,000 contract for bridge restoration work, which will consist of constructing concrete bridge approaches, reconstructing bridge rail and replacing guardrail. Work is anticipated to be completed in approximately 5 weeks.

While local traffic will have access to most of L-45B from US-20, all traffic normally traveling in or out of Ewing via L-45B will be detoured 7 1/2 miles northwest of Ewing through the US-20/US-275 intersection. Motorists are advised to allow extra time in travel plans for this redirection.

The NDOR project manager for this project is Gene Colfack of O'Neill. Motorists are reminded to drive cautiously through highway work zones.

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**Contact:**  
Gene Colfack (402) 336-2051

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## **Statewide Events Encourage Healthy, Active Lifestyles During Nebraska Spring Walk to School Day, April 17**

*Safe Routes Nebraska Sponsors Day to Promote Safe Walking and Biking*

Safe Routes Nebraska invites kids, parents, educators and community leaders to take a step toward healthy lifestyles by participating in Nebraska's sixth annual Spring Walk to School Day on Wednesday, April 17.

Communities across Nebraska will be hosting Spring Walk to School Day events, including walkathons, walking school buses, health and wellness fairs, safety presentations and more. Though the event is just three weeks away, there's still time to register and organize an event, said Angela Barry, Safe Routes Nebraska program coordinator.

"Walking and biking to school every morning is fun and it gets kids moving," Barry said. "But that's only one of the many benefits. In addition to daily exercise, kids who walk or bike to school show improved concentration and behavior in the classroom."

Safe Routes Nebraska offers a variety of resources on its website, [saferoutesne.com](http://saferoutesne.com), to help parents, educators and community groups plan, organize and promote Walk to School Day events. Once organizers register their events, they'll have access to a toolkit of posters, printable brochures and ideas for promoting the event in the community.

Barry encourages families to celebrate the day even if there are no formal Walk to School events nearby. "Make time to walk or bike to school, even if it's just for one day," Barry said. "You and your kids will have fun while celebrating the benefits of daily activity, and who knows—maybe it'll even spark a new healthy habit."

#MORE#

For more information about organizing or promoting a Spring Walk to School Day event, contact Angela Barry, Safe Routes Nebraska program coordinator, at (402) 476-7331 or [abarry@sinclairhille.com](mailto:abarry@sinclairhille.com).

**About Safe Routes Nebraska:**

Safe Routes Nebraska is a part of the National Safe Routes to School program and the Nebraska Department of Roads to fund education, planning and implementation of Safe Routes to School plans and programs.

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## Work to Begin on N-92/US-26 West of Bridgeport

Weather permitting, construction is scheduled to begin the week of April 8 on Highway N-92/US-26 between Bayard and Bridgeport, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

Werner Construction, Inc. of Hastings, Nebraska, has the \$3.7 million contract for the 12.1 mile project. Work will include milling, asphalt concrete overlay and rumble strips.

Traffic will be maintained during construction with the use of lane closures and a reduced speed limit. Work is anticipated to be completed this summer.

The NDOR project manager for this project is Russ Frickey of Bridgeport. Motorists are urged to drive cautiously through highway work zones.

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**Contact:**

Russ Frickey (308) 262-1929, Ext 201

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## Work to Begin on US-136 West of Guide Rock

Weather permitting, construction work is scheduled to begin the week of April 8 on US-136, starting at the junction of N-78 and proceeding four miles west, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

Werner Construction, Inc., of Hastings, Nebraska, has the \$2.7 million contract. Major items of work include bridge work, culverts, grading, asphalt overlay and seeding. The phased bridge work on US-136 will be done at Reference Post 81.6 to 82.0 with traffic reduced to one lane and controlled with traffic signals. A 10-foot width restriction will be enforced at this location.

At Reference Post 82.9 to 83.3, on US-136, traffic will be rerouted to a temporary hard surfaced two-lane roadway while a large box culvert is constructed. The remainder of the project will be constructed under traffic with the use of flaggers and a pilot vehicle. Work is anticipated to be completed in late September.

The NDOR project manager for this project is Steve Meyer of Hastings. Motorists are urged to drive cautiously through highway work zones.

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Steve Meyer (402) 462-1996

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## Traffic Signal Removal Study Planned

The traffic signals at the intersections of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Jeffers and 5<sup>th</sup> and Jeffers in North Platte have been identified for possible removal, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

Consultant studies have been performed at the intersections which indicate that the signals may no longer be appropriate for conditions. As part of a traffic signal removal study, the NDOR and the City will place the lights into flashing mode beginning April 9.

North–South traffic will not be required to stop, while East–West traffic will be required to stop. The traffic study is expected to take three months to complete. Based on previous study results and public input, it is anticipated that the signals will be removed at the end of this study.

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**Contact:**

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## **Orange Cones and Warning Signs Trappings of Highway Construction Season**

### ***Lincoln Area Highways and I-80***

Several highway improvements projects are gearing up and will be in progress across Nebraska this summer and continue into autumn. The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) continues work on I-80 between Omaha and Lincoln to add two new lanes to the 57 year old nationwide interstate system. Contractors will minimize lane closures on major Holidays and UNL home football game days this spring through fall.

The westbound I-80 entrance ramp from US-6, at mile marker 409, the Waverly Interchange, is closed for remaining construction work until fall of 2013. The exit ramp from westbound I-80 at the Waverly interchange, Exit 409, will remain open. Access to westbound I-80 while work is being completed at interchange 409 will be available at the 56<sup>th</sup> St./US-77 north interchange, Exit 405, and at the Greenwood/N-63 interchange, Exit 420.

Traffic has been diverted at both of these exit/entrance ramps to accommodate new construction on I-80 between Waverly west to the N. 56<sup>th</sup>/US-77 interchange at Lincoln. Two lanes of traffic in each direction carry the head-to-head, four-lane traffic. Concrete barriers are used to separate eastbound and westbound traffic. A 55 mph speed limit is currently in place while traffic is in the head-to-head mode. Work includes building four new bridges, three new westbound driving lanes with shoulders and a new I-80 westbound access loop from US-6.

A highway improvement project is also underway on US-6 between I-80 at the Waverly Interchange to Greenwood. Concrete pavement repair, milling, asphalt overlay, bridge and traffic signal work is anticipated to be completed this fall. Traffic is reduced to one lane during construction work using flaggers and a pilot car. Temporary traffic signals and single-lane closures in multi-lane areas will be used.



### ***Construction and Detour Info for Nebraska Highways***

For information on construction projects underway on Nebraska's highways, check out NDOR'S website. Here's a direct link to the page:

[www.roads.nebraska.gov/511/detours/construction-detours-info.pdf](http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/511/detours/construction-detours-info.pdf). You can subscribe to receive automatic emails whenever the page is updated. The improvement projects are listed by highway number and are updated each week. Projects listed are those that will be in progress for longer than one month. Short-term maintenance and other highway repair work may not be on the list. However, for roadwork less than one month in duration - call **511**, the 24-hour weather and travel information system. Check with Nebraska's **511** or **800-906-9069** phone lines, or Web 511 TEXT VERSION pages for the most current information:

[www.511.nebraska.gov/atis/html/events.html](http://www.511.nebraska.gov/atis/html/events.html)

### ***National Work Zone Awareness Week***

While roadway workers face obvious risks to their safety, nearly 85 percent of those killed in work zone crashes nationwide are drivers or their passengers.

During National Work Zone Awareness Week, April 15 - 19, and all season long in Nebraska, the NDOR, the Federal Highway Administration, heavy highway transportation contractors and Nebraska's Highway Safety partners remind motorists to use extra caution when approaching and driving through highway work zones.

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#### **Contact:**

M. J. Oie, Lincoln, 402-479-4512

Attachments: *Work Zone Safety Graphics*

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Please use these safety messages and artwork as filler in your publication.  
Thank you for helping to keep the public aware of the many hazards of  
roadwork during the construction season. - State of Nebraska Department of Roads

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**Safety Is No ACCIDENT**  
*Don't Take Risks in Work Zones!*

Road Work Ahead

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**Highway**  
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**Coming Soon!**

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**Highway Work Zone**  
**IMPROVEMENT**  
**Coming Soon!**

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**Drivers Workers**  
**Must Share the Highway**  
Please, lower speeds and  
**Drive Smart in Work Zones!**  
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**This Diamond is a Worker's Best Friend**

During this construction season, please be extra careful and attentive when approaching roadwork zones.

**Road Work**

**Please Drive Smart in Highway Work Zones.**

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**Drive Smart in Work Zones!**  
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**Don't Magnify Your Risk of an Accident**  
**Pay Attention in Work Zones!**

**Road Work Ahead**

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**SAFETY IS NO ACCIDENT. BUCKLE UP!**  
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**Drive Smart in Work Zones!**  
Transportation.nebraska.gov

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## Construction Work on N-13, Creighton South

Weather permitting, construction work will start April 15 on N-13 from the junction of US-20 and N-13 to the junction of N-59 and N-13, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

The 8.1 mile project will include cold milling with an asphalt overlay to follow. In mid-May, a bridge deck overlay will cause temporary lane closures controlled by traffic signals. This project will last approximately four months.

The Department of Roads' project manager is Keith Koertje of Hartington. Motorists are reminded to drive cautiously through construction zones.

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**Contact:**

Keith Koertje, Hartington, (402) 254-6552

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April 3, 2013

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## State Transportation Improvement Plan Revision Announced

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires each state highway agency to develop a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP must list all highway and transit projects that will be using federal funds, as well as all regionally significant transportation projects using non-federal funding sources. It covers a period of four years and in Nebraska is updated every year on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Periodically, the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) must amend the STIP for reasons such as; to add or remove projects, to make adjustments to funding sources or estimates or to update a project's scope of work.

Federal law requires that all citizens and other interested parties in the State's transportation planning process be given reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed STIP and on any proposed amendments to an approved STIP. NDOR uses statewide news releases and an automated email subscription management system called GovDelivery to inform the public and advise them of the means and time period to comment on STIP's and any amendments. All comments will be addressed and those responses reported to the FHWA.

The revision, referred to as Revision 4 is available for public comment on the NDOR website [www.roads.nebraska.gov/STIP/index-public-comment.html](http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/STIP/index-public-comment.html) from April 3 to April 10, 2013.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) will not approve the revision until the public comment period has ended and comments have been evaluated and incorporated in the revision as appropriate.

#MORE#

Copies of the Nebraska Department of Roads' STIP are available from each of the eight district offices. (See the attached map of the district offices and contact information.) A copy of the proposed STIP revision may be obtained upon request to the Communication Office, 1500 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759, or by calling (402) 479-4512 or by email at [maryjo.oie@nebraska.gov](mailto:maryjo.oie@nebraska.gov). This plan can be viewed at [www.roads.nebraska.gov/STIP/](http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/STIP/).

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Attachment: District Map

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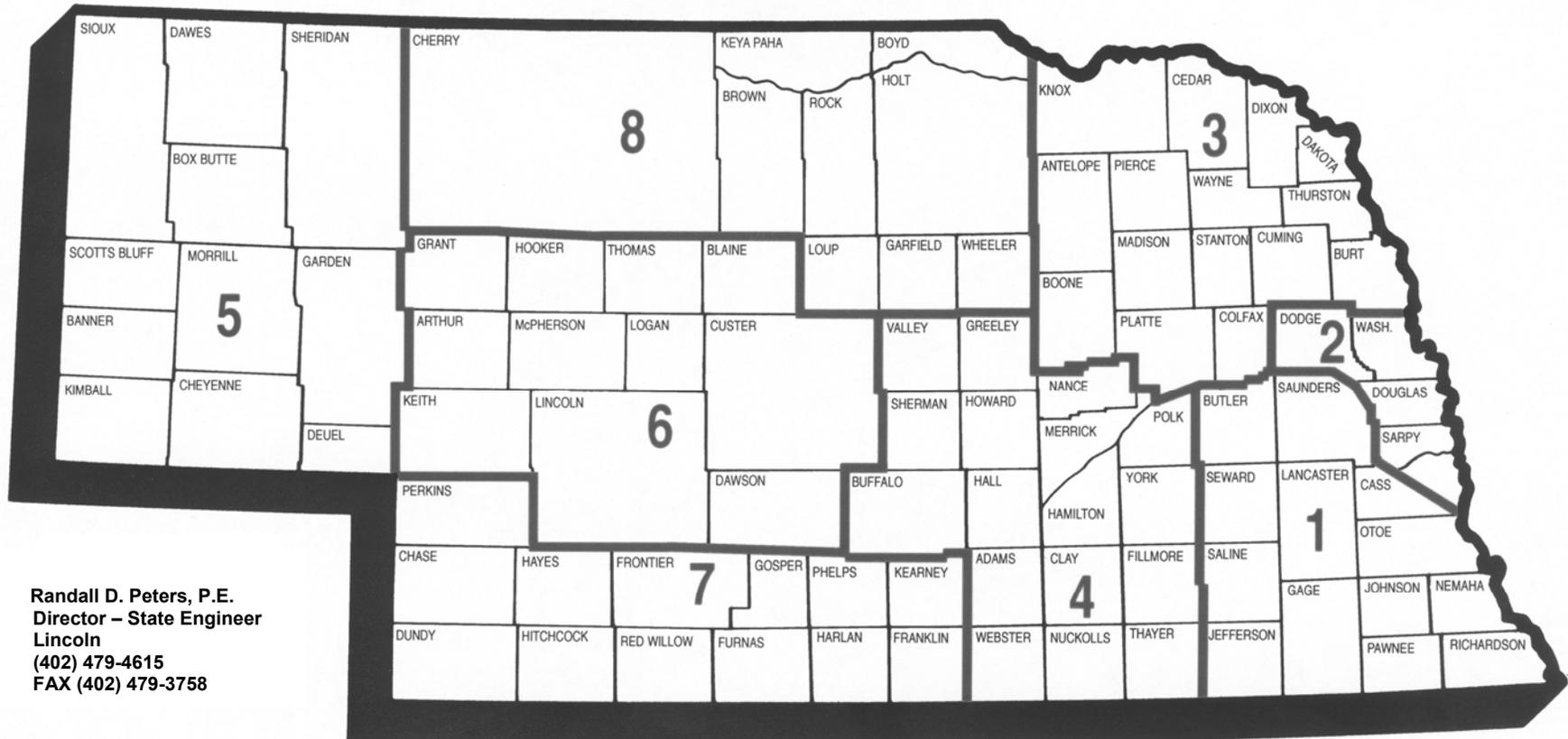
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## FEBRUARY TRAFFIC FATALITY TOLL

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During the month of February 2013, sixteen persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

- ◆ These 16 fatalities occurred in 16 crashes
- ◆ Twelve of the 14 vehicle occupants killed were not using safety belts
- ◆ Two fatalities occurred on the interstate, seven happened on non-interstate highways, and seven took place on local roads
- ◆ Eleven of the fatalities occurred in rural locations
- ◆ Ten of the fatal crashes were single vehicle run-off-road accidents
- ◆ Two of the fatalities were pedestrians

### YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS

2013	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES
January-February	40	37

### COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

YEAR	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2013 (FATALITIES)
2012	33	32	+ 17.5
2011	19	19	+ 52.5
2010	27	22	+ 32.5
2009	26	23	+ 35.0
2009-2012 Avg.	26	24	+ 35.0

- ◆ There were 11 fatalities in February of 2012.
- ◆ 33 of the 37 vehicle occupants killed during 2013 (89.2%) were not wearing safety belts.

This report includes information available through April 3, 2013, from the Highway Safety/Accident Record Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Roads. For additional information, contact Mary Jo Oie (402) 479-4512.

**Notice of Information Open House**  
**“Ord North”**  
**April 23, 2013**  
**4:00-6:00 p.m.**

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting regarding proposed replacement of the North Loup River Bridge on N-70 northeast of the city of Ord. The meeting for Project STPD-70-4(106), known as “Ord North,” will be held on April 23, 2013, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the VFW Club, 246 S. 15<sup>th</sup> St., in Ord.

**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS  
NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC MEETING**

**4:00 – 6:00 PM; Tues., April 23, 2013**

***Information Open House Public Meeting***

**Veteran's (VFW) Hall, 246 S 15th St., Ord, NE**

**STPD-70-4(106) *Ord North*; CN 41914**

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding the replacement of the North Loup River Bridge on Nebraska Highway 70 (N-70) northeast of the city of Ord, Valley County. The meeting will be held at the VFW Hall, 246 S. 15th St., Ord, Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as ***Ord North***; the proposed project would begin on N-70 at the intersection of 14th Street in Ord and run half a mile east past the Haskell Creek Road/Springdale Road intersection. Built in 1946, the existing bridge has exceeded its life expectancy. The substructure and the deck are in poor condition.

A number of alternative alignments were considered. The preferred alternative was determined because it would have less environmental impacts. This alternative is to build a new bridge with a minor shift north (upstream) of the existing bridge. The new bridge would require a grade raise of approximately two feet above the existing bridge. Construction of the new bridge would require the use of temporary work platforms placed in the river which may impede river recreation. Phasing of construction would occur to minimize river impacts.

In Ord, the existing asphalt N-70 (G St.) would be replaced with a two-lane concrete roadway with curb and gutter and new storm sewer. The county portion of N-70 from the new bridge through the Haskell Creek Road/Springdale Road intersection would be realigned and reconstructed with concrete. Access to the Anderson Island canoe pull-out and park, southeast of the bridge, would be realigned off Springdale Road. A portion of the existing N-70 roadway and the existing bridge would be removed following the new construction.

The proposed project would require the purchase of approximately 1.4 acres of permanent property rights. Temporary construction easements would also be required for temporary roads and access during construction. Approximately an acre of permanent wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2016 and be complete as early as fall of the following year. The proposed construction would be completed "under

traffic" meaning without diverting N-70 traffic; however, one-lane signalized construction zones may cause delays. Temporary roads may be used at different phases throughout the construction to accommodate traffic. Local access will be maintained during construction.

The public meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project, currently in the design phase, and receive input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish.

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NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by April 12, 2013. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert, Public Hearings Officer, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; [greg.weinert@nebraska.gov](mailto:greg.weinert@nebraska.gov); voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Ord North" link. For further information, contact Wes Wahlgren, NDOR District Four Engineer, (308) 385-6265, [wes.wahlgren@nebraska.gov](mailto:wes.wahlgren@nebraska.gov).

April 5, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Sarpy County

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 @ 9:00AM  
Thru  
June 2013

## **N-370 Lane Restrictions.**

**Eastbound & Westbound N-370 Traffic will be Head-to-Head  
in the Westbound Lanes between US-6/N-31 & 186<sup>th</sup> Street.**

**One Lane of Traffic will be Maintained in each Direction.**

These lane restrictions are necessary to complete the eastbound paving on N-370.

Chas Vrana Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

**For additional information contact:**

Marvin Lech PE  
District Construction Engineer

April 5, 2013

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Douglas County

Sunday, April 7, 2013 @ 6:00AM  
until  
Sunday, April 7, 2013 @ 7:00PM

## Eastbound Interstate 680 Detour.

Eastbound I-680 Traffic must exit at 48<sup>th</sup> Street (US-75).

Marked Detour Provided - 48<sup>th</sup> Street south to  
Mckinley Street east to 30<sup>th</sup> Street north to eastbound I-680.

### Eastbound Interstate 680 Marked Detour



Marked Detour: Eastbound I-680 to 48<sup>th</sup> Street South to McKinley Street East to 30<sup>th</sup> Street North to Eastbound I-680.

This detour is necessary for pavement repairs.

Cramer and Associates Inc. is the Contractor on this project.

**For additional information contact:**

Marvin Lech PE  
District Construction Engineer

April 8, 2013

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## Construction on US Highway 23

Work is scheduled to begin April 22, 2013 on US Highway 23. The project, known as Moorefield east and west, begins 3 miles west of Moorefield and extends 3 miles east of Moorefield on Highway 23. Travel through this segment will be reduced to one lane traffic during the day. Flagger and a pilot vehicle will be used to guide motorists through the project; delays are expected to be minimal. This project consists of culvert replacement, grading, and overlaying the existing road with asphaltic concrete. It is anticipated the project will be completed by fall 2013. The prime contractor is Western Engineering Company, Inc. and the contract amount is \$3,748,836.72.

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**Contact:**

NDOR Project Manager Tim Sell at (308) 995-4242 or NDOR District Construction Engineer Brice Goebel at (308) 345-8490

D7-Moorefield

April 9, 2013

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## Information Open House April 23 for Bridge Project on N-70 near Ord

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold an Information Open House Tuesday, April 23, regarding proposed replacement of the North Loup River Bridge on Nebraska Highway 70 (N-70), northeast of the city of Ord. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Veteran's (VFW) Hall, 246 S. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, in Ord.

The proposed project would begin on N-70, at the intersection of 14th Street in Ord, and run half a mile east past the Haskell Creek Road/Springdale Road intersection. A number of alternative alignments were considered. The preferred alternative is to build a new bridge with a minor shift north of the existing bridge.

The new bridge would require a grade raise of approximately two feet above the existing bridge. Construction of the new bridge would require the use of temporary work platforms placed in the river, which may impede river recreation. Phasing of construction would occur to minimize river impacts.

In Ord, the existing asphalt N-70 (G Street) would be replaced with a two-lane concrete roadway, curb, gutter and new storm sewer. The county portion of N-70 from the new bridge through the Haskell Creek Road/Springdale Road intersection would be realigned and reconstructed with concrete. Access to the Anderson Island canoe pull-out and park, southeast of the bridge, would be realigned off Springdale Road. A portion of the existing N-70 roadway and the existing bridge would be removed following the new construction.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2016 and be complete as early as fall of the following year. The proposed construction would be completed "under traffic," without diverting N-70 traffic. Temporary roads may be used at different phases throughout the construction to accommodate traffic. Local access will be maintained during construction.

Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to answer questions, receive comments, and discuss any aspect of the proposed highway improvement project.

Information regarding the project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Ord North" link.

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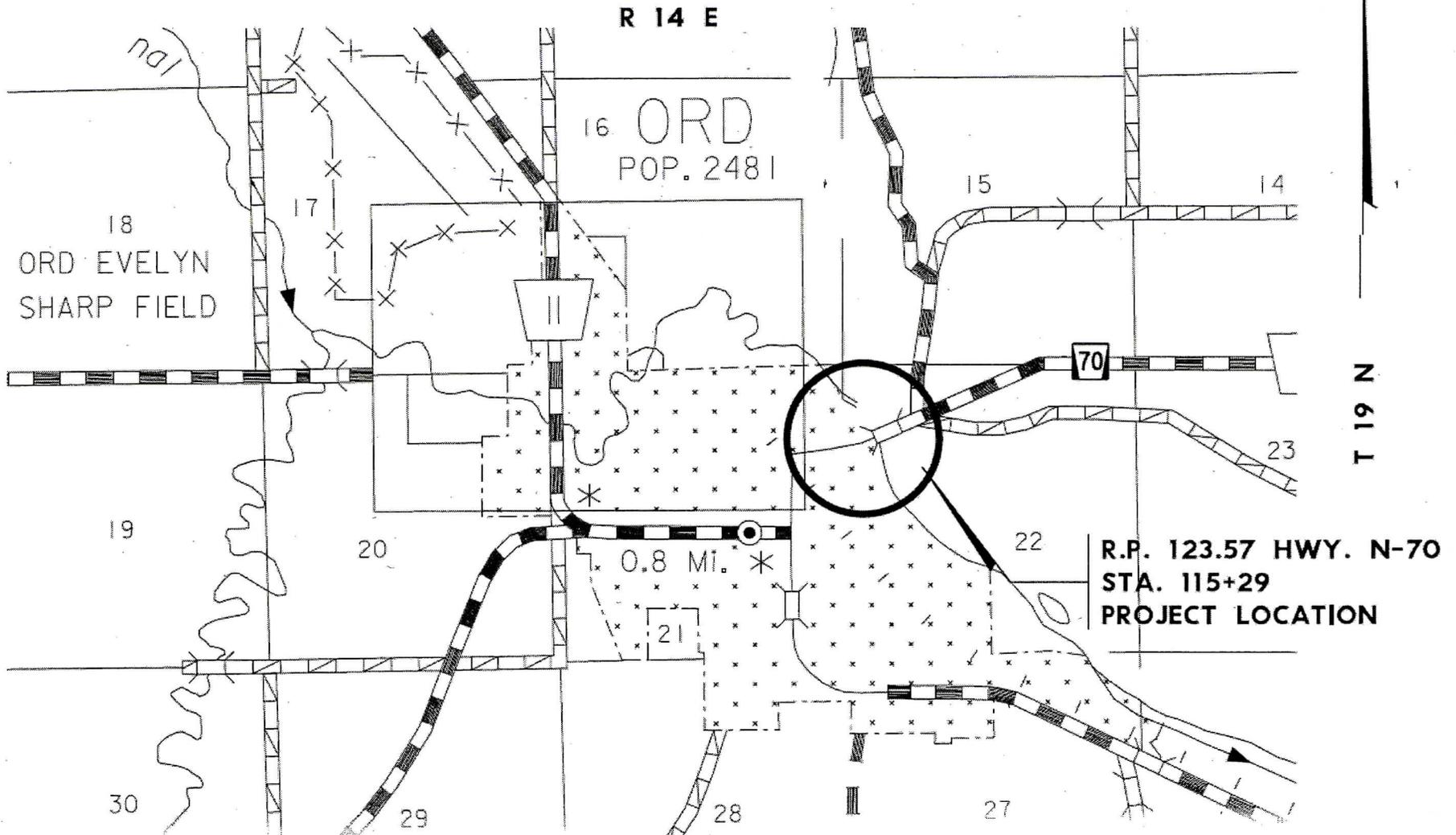
### Contact:

Wes Wahlgren, District 4 Engineer, Grand Island, (308) 385-6265

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# STPD-70-4(106) ORD NORTH; CN 41914



  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration

  
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PRELIMINARY PLAN  
NOT FINAL - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

April 10, 2013

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## Highway Improvement Work for N-112, Near Odell

Weather permitting, construction work is scheduled to begin the week of April 22 on N-112 at the Kansas-Nebraska state line and run north for 3 miles to N-8, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

Constructors, Inc. of Lincoln, Nebraska, has the \$1,179,011 contract. Work will include a fly ash stabilized base with a 4-inch asphalt overlay and placement of earth shoulders.

Traffic will be maintained on N-112 during construction with the use of flaggers and a pilot car. Completion of the project is anticipated in July.

The NDOR project manager for this project is Allen Vandegrift. Motorists are reminded to drive cautiously through highway construction zones.

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**Contact:**

Allen A. Vandegrift in Fairbury at (402) 729-3489, or the NDOR District 1 Office in Lincoln at (402) 471-0850

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**Notice of Information Open House  
“Walthill East”  
April 30 and May 1, 2013  
4:00-6:00 p.m.**

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold public information meetings regarding proposed improvements to Nebraska Highway 94 east of the city of Walthill, in the Omaha Reservation. The meetings for Project STP-94-7(105), known as “Walthill East,” will be held on April 30, 2013, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Omaha Tribal Administration Building, 101 Main St., in Macy, and on May 1, 2013, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Blackhawk Community Building, 100 Bluff St., in Winnebago.

**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS  
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*Information Open House Public Meetings:*

**4:00 – 6:00 PM; Tues., April 30, 2013**

**Omaha Tribal Administration Building, 101 Main St., Macy, NE**

**4:00 – 6:00 PM; Wed., May 1, 2013**

**Blackhawk Community Building, 100 Bluff St., Winnebago, NE**

**STP-94-7(105) *Walthill East*; CN 31511**

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold two public information open house meetings regarding proposed improvements to Nebraska Highway 94 (N-94) east of the city of Walthill, Thurston County, in the Omaha Reservation. The meetings will be held at the Omaha Tribal Administration Building, 101 Main St., Macy, Tues., April 30, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M. and at the Blackhawk Community Building, 100 Bluff St., Winnebago, Wed., May 1, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as *Walthill East*; the proposed project would begin on N-94 in Walthill east of Hogeland St., approximately half a mile west of the U. S. Highway 77 (US-77) intersection, and run about five miles east to, but not including, the U. S. Highway 75 (US-75) intersection. The roadway surfacing has exceeded its useful life and demonstrates extreme wear.

The *Walthill East* project would consist primarily of resurfacing, restoration and rehabilitation (3R) of the N-94 roadway. Existing surfaced driveways and intersections would be milled (a process of grinding off the roadway surface) and resurfaced. Repairs to the South Omaha Creek Bridge, between Walthill and the US-77 intersection, would include deck repair. The bridge deck would be replaced on the North Blackbird Creek Bridge about half a mile west of the N-94/US-75 intersection. Work on the BNSF railroad crossing in Walthill, between Hogeland St. and Brown St., would include replacement of the crossing panels on the middle track and removal of the eastern most track. Guardrail would be replaced at the intersection of N-94/US-75.

The proposed project would require the purchase of a small amount of permanent property rights, but would be constructed primarily within the existing state right-of-way (ROW). Temporary construction easements (TE) may also be

required for access during construction. Permanent wetland impacts are not anticipated but there are potential temporary environmental impacts.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and is projected to be complete as early as fall of the same year. The project would require a detour of N-94 traffic between US-77 and US-75 due to the bridge repairs. US-77 and US-75 through Winnebago would be utilized for the official detour. N-94 would be open at the intersection of the N-94/US-77 and west but delays may occur in that area for traffic control. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements. Detour maps and additional information will be available at the meeting. While the proposed project would be entirely within the Omaha Reservation, the detour would be routed through the Winnebago Reservation.

The public meetings are being held to provide information and receive comments regarding the project and the detour. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information “open house” format allows the public to come, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish.

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Information regarding the proposed project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the “Walthill East” link. For further information, contact Kevin Domogalla, NDOR District Three Engineer, (402) 370-3470, [kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov](mailto:kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov).

April 10, 2013

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-80 in Nebraska, both eastbound and westbound, is OPEN in its entirety, according to the State of Nebraska Department of Roads.

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NR9-GC



April 11, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Saturday, April 13, 2013 @ 3:00PM  
until  
Sunday, April 14, 2013 @ 6:00AM

## Westbound Interstate 680 Detour.

All Westbound I-680 Traffic must exit at 48<sup>th</sup> Street (US-75).

Traffic continuing onto Westbound I-680  
will use the 48<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance Ramp to Westbound I-680.



This detour is necessary for pavement repairs.

Cramer and Associates Inc. is the Contractor on this project.

**For additional information contact:**

Marvin Lech PE  
District Construction Engineer

April 12, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Monday, April 15, 2013 @ 9:00AM  
until  
May 2013

## **N-133 & Pawnee Road**

**Pawnee Road will be CLOSED east of N-133.**

This closure is necessary for grading on Pawnee Road at N-133.

Hawkins Construction Company is the Contractor on this Project.

**For additional information contact:**

Marvin Lech PE  
District Construction Engineer

April 12, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Repair Work on US-183 North Loup River Bridge near Taylor

Weather permitting, a bridge repair project will begin the week of April 29 on the bridge over the North Loup River just north of Taylor, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR).

Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries of Cheyenne, Wyoming, has the \$180,944 contract for replacement of the concrete paving approaches on the south end of the bridge.

Traffic will be reduced to one lane in the work area using concrete protection barriers. Motorists from one direction will have to yield to motorists on the bridge.

The load width will be restricted to 12 feet during construction of the project. The work is anticipated to be completed by June 15, 2013.

The Department of Roads' project manager is Michael Rudnick of Ainsworth. Motorists are urged to use caution while driving through highway work zones and to remember that fines are doubled when workers are present.

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**Contact:**  
Michael Rudnick, (402) 387-2471, Ext. 211

NR8-NL



April 12, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Roads Standards Board to Meet

The Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards will meet at 9:00 a.m. on April 19, 2013, in the Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Headquarters Building Auditorium at 1500 Highway 2 in Lincoln

The agenda includes:

- Addition of projects to the Lincoln County and the Villages of Naponee and Roca One- and Six-Year Road Improvement Plans.
- Informal hearing on Relaxation of Standards Request from the Nebraska Department of Roads.

The meeting is open to the public.

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Detailed agenda as of April 12, 2013, below.

**For additional information contact:**

LeMoyne D. Schulz (402) 479-4436

NR8-NQ

**Agenda  
for the Meeting of  
BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS**

**April 19, 2013, 9:00 a.m.**

**Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Headquarters Building Auditorium, Room 139  
1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska**

Call to Order – Chairperson

Roll Call – Secretary

Open Meetings Act, Agenda, Material provided by Board's Secretary and Sign-in Sheet –  
Chairperson

Changes to Published Agenda – Secretary

Minutes of March 15, 2013 Meeting

Status Report – 2012-2013 Standardized System of Annual Reports (*NDOR, 93 County and 529 Municipal reports received, 0 County and 1 Municipal reports are delinquent*).

Update on Suspension of Highway Allocation funds to the following Municipality for failure to submit the 2012 – 2013 Standardized System of Annual reports in accordance with Neb.Rev.Stat. Sec. 39-2120 and 39-2121.

Winslow

Consideration of lifting suspension (*none as of April 12, 2013*).

Status Report – 2013 One- and Six-Year Road and Street Plan submittals (*87 County and 523 Municipal plans received, 1 County and 7 Municipal plans are delinquent*).

2012 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road and Street Plan Revisions (*None*) (*Number of projects in parentheses*).

2013 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road and Street Plan Revisions (*3*) (*Number of projects in parentheses*).

- A. Village of Naponee (*1*) – Add Project No. BR-1925(3), C.N. 71043, In Naponee, Bridge No. M169000515, Village Project No. M-438(21), replace bridge with a bridge on an Other Arterial street.
- B. Village of Roca (*1*) – Add Project No. M-159(1-13), concrete surfacing on an Other Arterial street.
- C. Lincoln County (*3*) – Add Project No's. C-56(1313), C-56(1314) and part of C-56(0911), armor coat surfacing on an Other Arterial and Local roads.

**9:25 a.m., Informal Hearing** – NDOR request for a Relaxation of Minimum of Design Standards for a decrease in Bridge Roadway Width, Project No. RD-30-5(1044), C.N. 31939, In Columbus, on an Expressway highway, US-30/81. Consideration of request.

- OVER -

Biennial election of Chairman, Vice-chairman and appointment of Secretary.

Other Business:

- Update on electronic filing of reports – Bill Wehling, NDOR.
- Report on State and Federal Legislative Issues, including LB623.

Correspondence and General Information:

- Updated NBCS Form 7 for Project No. C-2(349), received from Antelope County.
- Drainage Study and NDOR Permit to Occupy NDOR ROW for Project No. C-88(287)B, received from Valley County.
- Additional drainage information for Project No. M-279(115), received from the City of Fairbury.
- Miscellaneous correspondence.

Comments from the Audience

Acknowledgement of Visitors

Next meeting: May 17, 2013, 9:00 a.m., Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Headquarters Building Auditorium, Room 139, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Adjournment

BPR4-NH

April 12, 2013

April 15, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Work to Begin on US-34 East of Eagle

Weather permitting, construction work is scheduled to begin the week of April 22 on US-34, starting at the junction of N-63 and proceeding 10.5 miles east to the junction of N-50, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Constructors, Inc. of Lincoln, Nebraska, has the \$4,115,605 contract. Work will consist of asphalt milling, concrete pavement repair, and asphalt inlay. Work also includes bridge deck maintenance and guardrail work at Reference Post 350.11.

The project will be constructed under traffic with the use of flaggers and a pilot vehicle. The work is anticipated to be completed in early October.

The NDOR project manager for this project is Joe Kuehn. Motorists are urged to drive cautiously through highway work zones.

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**Contact:**

Joe Kuehn in Lincoln at (402) 471-0850 ext. 1020  
STP-34-7(125)

NR3-ZC



April 15, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Traffic Signal Study Planned in West Point

A traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 32 and Main Street in West Point has been identified for possible removal, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads. Several studies have been performed at the intersection which indicate that the signal may no longer be appropriate for conditions. As part of a traffic signal removal study, the State Roads Department will place the lights into flashing mode beginning April 22.

North – south traffic will be required to stop, while east – west traffic will not be required to stop. The traffic study is expected to take three months to complete. Based on previous study results, it is anticipated that the signal will be removed at the end of this study.

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**Contact:**

Mary Jo Oie (402) 479-4512

NR4-DO



April 16, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Maintenance Work on N-2 Near Bennet

Weather permitting, a concrete repair project will begin the week of April 22 on N-2, north of Bennet, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

State maintenance forces will be doing a concrete repair at Reference Post 470, two miles north of Bennet. The work is anticipated to take five days. One-lane traffic will occur in the eastbound lane. Motorists should expect to see delays and are reminded to drive cautiously through highway work zones.

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**Contact:**  
Roger Kalkwarf, 402-471-0850, Ext. 1041

NR9-GD



April 16, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Information Meetings April 30, May 1 for Improvements on N-94 near Walthill**

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold Information Open House meetings Tuesday, April 30, and Wednesday, May 1, regarding proposed improvements to Nebraska Highway 94 (N-94), east of the city of Walthill. The first open house will be held at the Omaha Tribal Administration Building, 101 Main St., in Macy. The second open house will be held at the Blackhawk Community Building, 100 Bluff St., in Winnebago. Both meetings will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

The proposed project would begin on N-94 in Walthill, east of Hogeland St., approximately half a mile west of the U.S. Highway 77 (US-77) intersection, and run about five miles east to, but not including, the U.S. Highway 75 (US-75) intersection.

Work would consist primarily of resurfacing, restoration and rehabilitation of the N-94 roadway. Existing surfaced driveways and intersections would be milled and resurfaced. Repairs to the South Omaha Creek Bridge, between Walthill and the US-77 intersection, would include deck repair. The bridge deck would be replaced on the North Blackbird Creek Bridge, about half a mile west of the N-94/US-75 intersection.

Work on the BNSF railroad crossing in Walthill, between Hogeland St. and Brown St., would include replacement of the crossing panels on the middle track and removal of the eastern most track. Guardrail would be replaced at the intersection of N-94/US-75.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and is projected to be complete as early as fall of the same year. The project would require a detour of N-94 traffic between US-77 and US-75 due to the bridge repairs. US-77 and US-75 through Winnebago would be utilized for the official detour. N-94 would be open at the intersection of the N-94/US-77 and west, but delays may occur in that area for traffic control. Detour maps and additional information will be available at the meeting.

Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to answer questions, receive comments and discuss any aspect of the proposed highway improvement project.

Information regarding the project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Walthill East" link.

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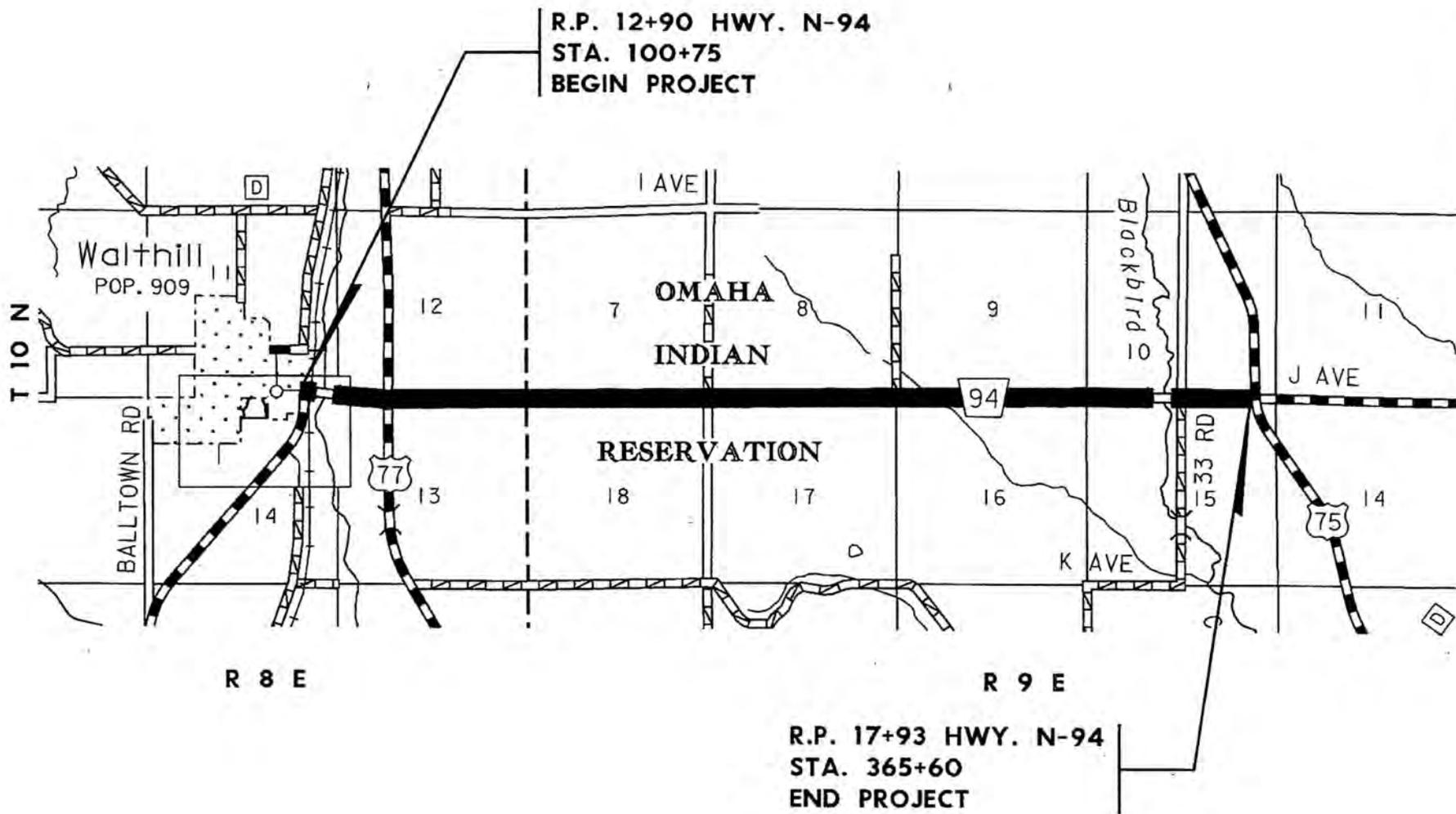
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STP-94-7(105)

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# WALTHILL EAST 94-7(105)

C.N. 31511 BOOK 5732  
THURSTON COUNTY





**April 17, 2013 – 1 pm**

**Even if roads are open, expect travel to be difficult in areas that have received snow.  
Allow extra time; reduce speed-increase following distance; turn OFF cruise**

**Check Resources on the page below the Box BEFORE Traveling**

<p><b>1:00 pm</b> <b>in Nebraska, I-80 Westbound, is CLOSED,</b> <b>Sidney to the Wyoming State Line due to hazardous driving conditions.</b> <i>The closure is at the request of Wyoming DOT</i></p>		
<p><b>ADDITIONAL Winter Storm related Highway CLOSURES</b></p> 		<p>Phone: 511 or 800-906-9069 &amp; follow the prompts</p> <p>Web: <a href="http://www.511.nebraska.gov">www.511.nebraska.gov</a> – use the icons on the <u>left</u> sidebar to click layers on/off. Click on map to zoom in</p>

### **Resources for Road Conditions & Weather**

- Phone: 511 or 800-906-9069 & follow the prompts
- Web: [www.511.nebraska.gov](http://www.511.nebraska.gov) – use the icons on the left sidebar to click layers on/off
- Mobile & PC – cams & weather links: [www.ndortraveler.mobi](http://www.ndortraveler.mobi)
- NWS Nebraska-specific **WEATHER & WARNINGS**: [www.crh.noaa.gov/oax/kiosk.php](http://www.crh.noaa.gov/oax/kiosk.php)
- Highway conditions in other states: [www.safetravelusa.com](http://www.safetravelusa.com)

**Notice of Information Open House**  
**“37<sup>th</sup> St. – Norfolk Ave., Norfolk”**  
**May 7, 2013**  
**4:00-6:00 p.m.**

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting regarding the reconstruction of the intersection of U.S. Highway 275 and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, in the city of Norfolk. The meeting for Project HSIP-275-5(143), known as “37<sup>th</sup> St. – Norfolk Ave., Norfolk,” will be held on May 7, 2013, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Divot’s Convention Center, 4200 W. Norfolk Ave., in Norfolk.

**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS  
NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC MEETING**

**4:00 – 6:00 PM; Tues., May 7, 2013**

***Information Open House Public Meeting***

**Divot's Convention Center**

**Dakota Rm., 4200 W. Norfolk Ave., Norfolk, NE**

**HSIP-275-5(143) 37th St.--Norfolk Ave., Norfolk; CN 31417A**

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding the reconstruction of the intersection of U. S. Highway 275 (US-275) and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, in the city of Norfolk, Madison County. The meeting will be held at Divot's Convention Center, in the Dakota Room, 4200 West Norfolk Ave. (US-275), Norfolk, Tuesday, May 7, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as ***37th St.--Norfolk Ave., Norfolk***; the proposed project would begin just west of the corporate limits of Norfolk and extend east about half a mile to about where Norfolk Ave. currently merges onto US-275. The improvements on this project would consist of constructing a roundabout at the intersection with 37<sup>th</sup> Street, constructing a right turn bay on west-bound US-275 at 34<sup>th</sup> Street, and removing the merge from Norfolk Ave. onto west-bound US-275. Norfolk Ave. would terminate at 31<sup>st</sup> Street and access to US-275 would be from Hospital Road.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and be complete as early as fall of the same year. The project would be built under traffic (without detouring). Temporary roads and cross-overs would be utilized during different phases of construction.

The proposed project would require the purchase of permanent property rights and temporary construction easements. Approximately half an acre of permanent wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated at the Tracy Creek Wetlands Bank near Creston.

The public meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project and receive input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish. All

materials will be presented in both English and Spanish and a Spanish language interpreter will be present at the meeting.

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Information regarding the proposed project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Norfolk 37<sup>th</sup> St." link. For further information, contact Kevin Domogalla, NDOR District Three Engineer, (402) 370-3470, [kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov](mailto:kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov).

April 19, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Despite Weather, Nebraska Kids Celebrate Spring Walk to School Day**

Rain, wind and snow did not stop some Nebraska school children from Spring Walk to School Day on Wednesday, April 17. More than 35 schools, community groups and health organizations were scheduled to host events, with more than 9,000 elementary and middle-school students expected to participate.

Though weather across the state caused many groups to postpone, some schools and community groups walked or biked anyway, through organized walking routes, walk-a-thons, walking school buses and bike trains. Some schools offered prize giveaways and healthy snacks, all designed to get more kids walking or biking to school in a safe way.

Spring Walk to School Day, now in its sixth year, is sponsored by Safe Routes Nebraska, which provides resources to help schools and community groups organize and promote their events.

“We’re glad schools and communities who experienced severe weather postponed their events for the safety of their students,” said Angela Barry, Safe Routes state coordinator. “But this is a good reminder that if you have the proper gear, every day can be a walk or bike to school day. And studies show that kids get so many benefits from just 10-15 minutes of physical activity a day. They’re healthier physically, emotionally, academically and socially.”

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Natalie Kingston, of Public Health Solutions District Health Department, helped organized 10 events in six communities across Gage, Saline and Thayer counties. Despite the rain in the forecast, many of the schools decided to hold their events. At Crete Elementary School, which tracks student activity through its Boltage program, a total of 394 kids braved the elements or walked laps in the gym.

“Walking or biking to school is an easy and simple way to build activity in your child’s day,” Kingston said. “As parents, we need to help our kids incorporate more activity and reduce screen time.”

Many groups who had to postpone are setting their sights on the upcoming national Bike to School Day on Wednesday, May 8. The day seeks to raise awareness about the need for safe routes to bike and walk plus emphasize the importance of issues such as increasing physical activity among children, reducing traffic congestion and protecting the environment.

To celebrate National Bike to School Day, Safe Routes Nebraska will give away 10 bike helmets to Nebraska schools or groups that register their Bike to School Day events. To be automatically entered to win the helmets, groups must register their events at [walkbiketoschool.org](http://walkbiketoschool.org) by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **About Safe Routes Nebraska**

Safe Routes Nebraska is a part of the National Safe Routes to School program and the Nebraska Department of Roads to fund education, planning and implementation of Safe Routes to School plans and programs.

#NDOR#

### **Contact:**

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April 19, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Public Input Sought

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) is seeking comments on two proposed Nebraska Highway 45 (N-45) and Nebraska Highway 121 (N-121) projects in and south of Tilden and north of Battle Creek. No public meeting is planned at this time.

A public information meeting was held at the Tilden Public Library on May 17, 2012, for the **Tilden South** project. Comments from that meeting were considered and several suggestions incorporated into design and construction plans. NDOR is now assessing the **Tilden South** project and the **In Tilden & Battle Creek North** projects together to consider the cumulative impacts to the public.

The **Tilden South** project would begin at the Nebraska Highway 32 (N-32) and N-45 junction and proceed north along N-45, into Tilden, and stop at 10<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposed project would consist of “rubblizing” the existing concrete pavement on the south portion of the project and resurfacing with asphalt. The improvements on the asphalt on the north portion of the project would consist of milling and resurfacing with asphalt. New lighting would be installed at the intersection of N-45 and N-32.

The **In Tilden & Battle Creek North** project would have two parts, the first from 10<sup>th</sup> Street in Tilden north through Tilden to the intersection of US-275. The second part would begin north of Battle Creek and run north of N-121 to the junction of US-275. The proposed construction of N-45 would consist of concrete pavement repair, milling and resurfacing with asphalt. The improvements on N-121 would consist of milling, trench widening and resurfacing with asphalt. A right-turn lane from eastbound US-275 to southbound N-121 would be constructed. New lighting would be installed at the intersection of N-121 and US-275. This project would resurface the N-45 crossing at the Cowboy Trail, a state recreational path passing through north Tilden. Impacts to the Trail would be temporary.

Both projects are planned for relatively the same season and could begin as early as late spring of 2014. Completion could be as early as late fall of the same year.

Information regarding the proposed projects may be found at the NDOR website: <http://www.nebraskatransportation.org/projects/> at the “Tilden” projects link.

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding the proposed project. Written comments should be submitted by May 20 to: Greg Weinert, Public Participation Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; [greg.weinert@nebraska.gov](mailto:greg.weinert@nebraska.gov); voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

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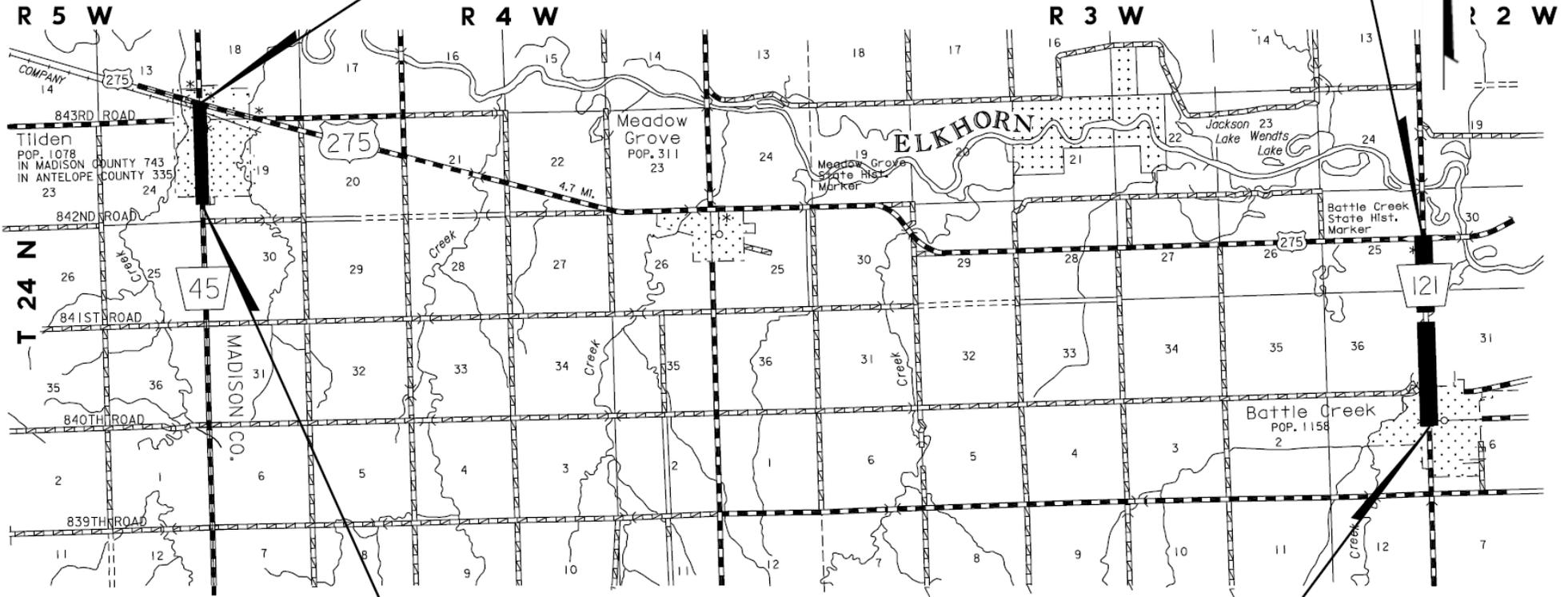
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## IN TILDEN & BATTLE CREEK NORTH

### C.N. 31897

R.P. 27+07 HWY. N-45  
STA. 483+87.60  
END PROJECT

R.P. 13+34 HWY. N-121  
STA. 180+81.76  
END PROJECT



**PRELIMINARY PLAN**  
NOT FINAL - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

R.P. 26+31 HWY. N-45  
STA. 444+08.29  
BEGIN PROJECT

R.P. 11+95 HWY. N-121  
STA. 108+86.29  
RESUME PROJECT



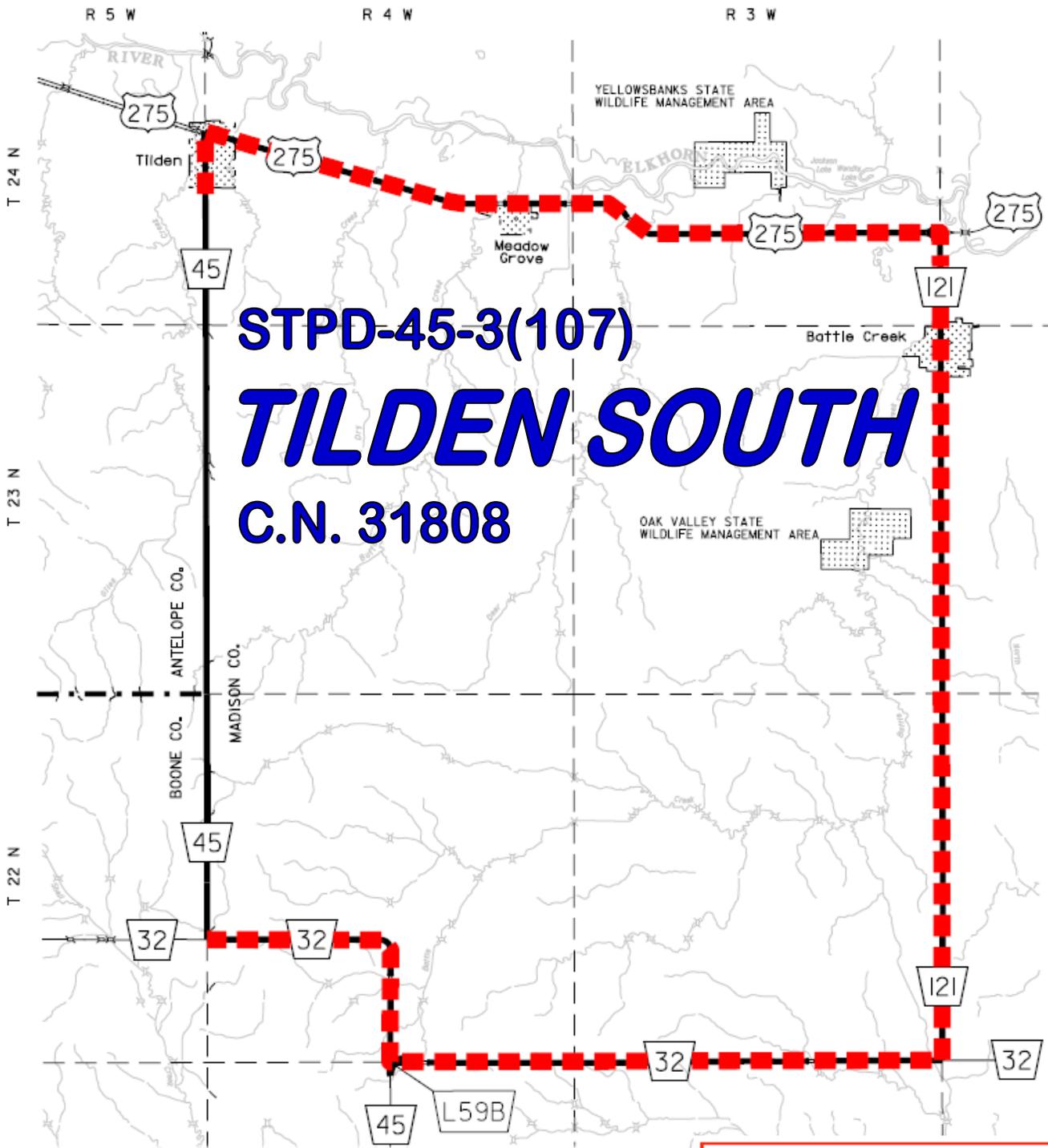
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**STPD-45-3(107)**  
**TILDEN SOUTH**  
**C.N. 31808**

**PRELIMINARY PLAN**  
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April 19, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Public Input Sought

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) is seeking comments on two proposed Nebraska Highway 32 (N-32) projects in and around Madison. No public meeting is planned at this time.

A public information meeting was held at the Madison City Auditorium on April 26, 2011, for the **In Madison & East** project. Comments from that meeting were considered and several suggestions incorporated into design and construction plans. NDOR is now assessing the **In Madison & East** project and the **East Jct. N-45 to Madison** projects together to consider the cumulative impacts to the public.

The **East Jct. N-45 to Madison** project would begin west of the N-32 and Nebraska 45 (N-45) junction and proceed east along N-32, into Madison, and stop at the Nebraska Central Railroad tracks. The proposed project is primarily designed for the resurfacing, restoration and rehabilitation of N-32. The Union Creek Bridge would have the deck repaired and overlaid with asphalt. This construction would be under traffic, without detouring N-32 traffic. Temporary lane closures would be necessary with appropriate traffic control measures.

The **In Madison & East** project would run from the North Central Railroad crossing through Madison, to the junction of U.S. Highway 81 (US-81). The proposed project would consist of replacing the existing pavement with new concrete pavement, including curb and gutter. Sidewalks, driveways, storm sewer and curb inlets will be built or replaced as necessary to accommodate the new pavement. The proposed improvements from Nebraska Street to the East Corporate Limits, or about 500 feet west of US-81, would consist of repairing the concrete pavement and resealing the joints. The proposed improvements from the East Corporate Limits of Madison to US-81 would consist of replacing the existing pavement with new concrete pavement and two-foot wide surfaced shoulders.

Both projects are planned for relatively the same season and could begin as early as late spring of 2014. Completion could be as early as late fall of the same year.

Information regarding the proposed projects may be found at the NDOR website: <http://www.nebraskatransportation.org/projects/> at the "Madison" projects link.

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding the proposed project. Written comments should be submitted by May 20 to: Greg Weinert, Public Participation Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; [greg.weinert@nebraska.gov](mailto:greg.weinert@nebraska.gov); voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

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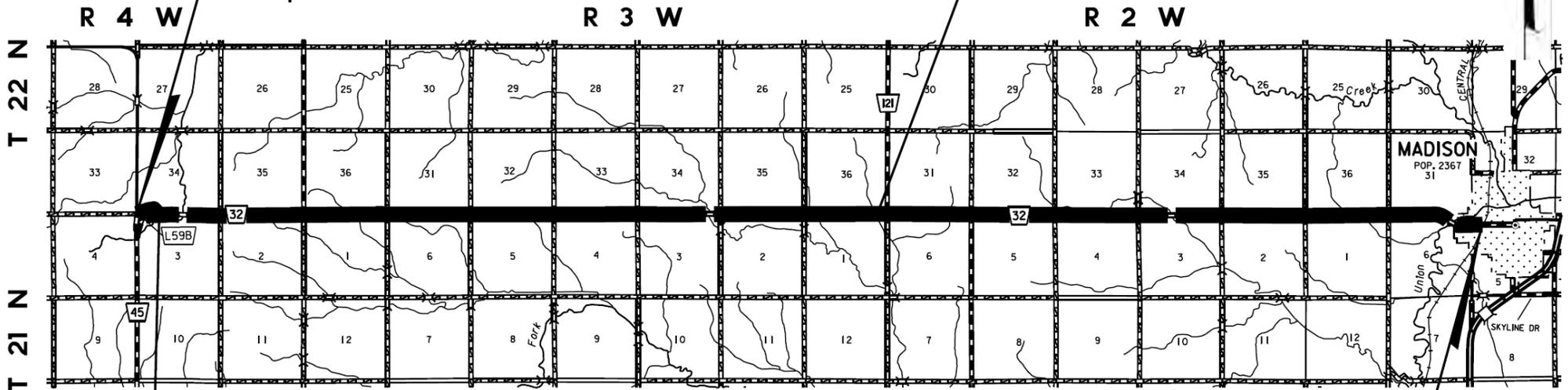
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# EAST JCT. N-45 TO MADISON

C.N. 31829

R.P. 18.30 HWY. N-32  
STA. 9+00.00  
BEGIN PROJECT

EQUA: STA. 596+33.50 BK.=  
STA. 1025+70.60 AH.



EQUA: STA. 19+69.04 BK.=  
STA. 131+98.17 AH.

R.P. 34.49 HWY. N-32  
STA. 1404+93.00  
END PROJECT

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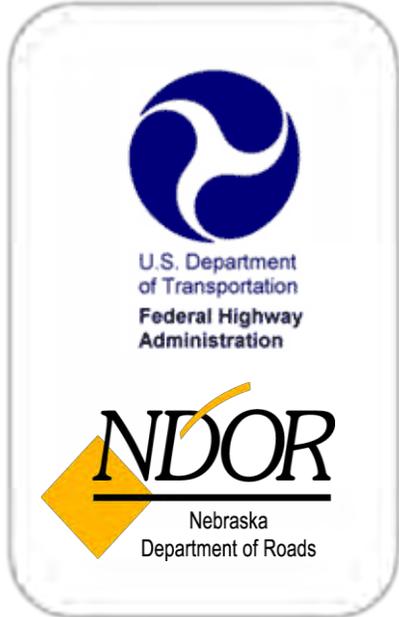
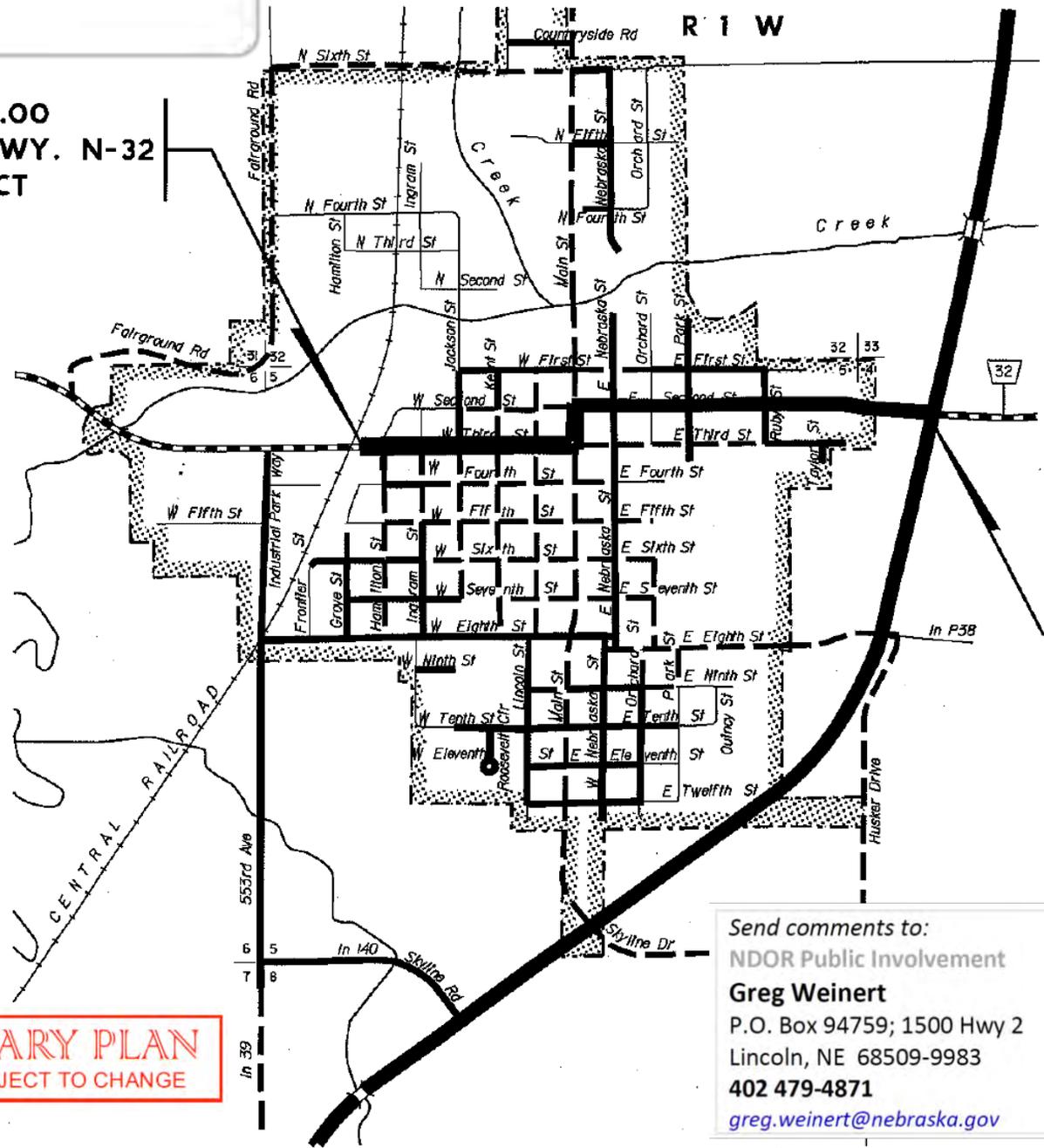


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April 23, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Information Meeting May 7 for Improvements on US-275 in Norfolk Area

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold an Information Open House meeting Tuesday, May 7, regarding reconstruction of the intersection of U.S. Highway 275 (US-275) and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, in the city of Norfolk. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Divot's Convention Center, 4200 W. Norfolk Ave., in Norfolk.

The proposed project would begin just west of the corporate limits of Norfolk and extend east for almost half a mile to about where Norfolk Ave. currently merges onto US-275. Improvements on this project would consist of constructing a roundabout at the intersection with 37<sup>th</sup> Street, constructing a right turn bay on westbound US-275 at 34<sup>th</sup> Street, and removing the merge from Norfolk Ave. onto westbound US-275. Norfolk Ave. would terminate at 31<sup>st</sup> Street and access to US-275 would be from Hospital Road.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and be complete as early as fall of the same year. The project would be built under traffic, without detouring. Temporary roads and crossovers would be used during different phases of construction.

The proposed project would require the purchase of permanent property rights and temporary construction easements. Approximately half an acre of permanent wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated at the Tracy Creek Wetlands Bank near Creston.

Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to answer questions, receive comments and discuss any aspect of the proposed highway improvement project.

Information regarding the project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Norfolk 37<sup>th</sup> St." link.

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**Contact:**

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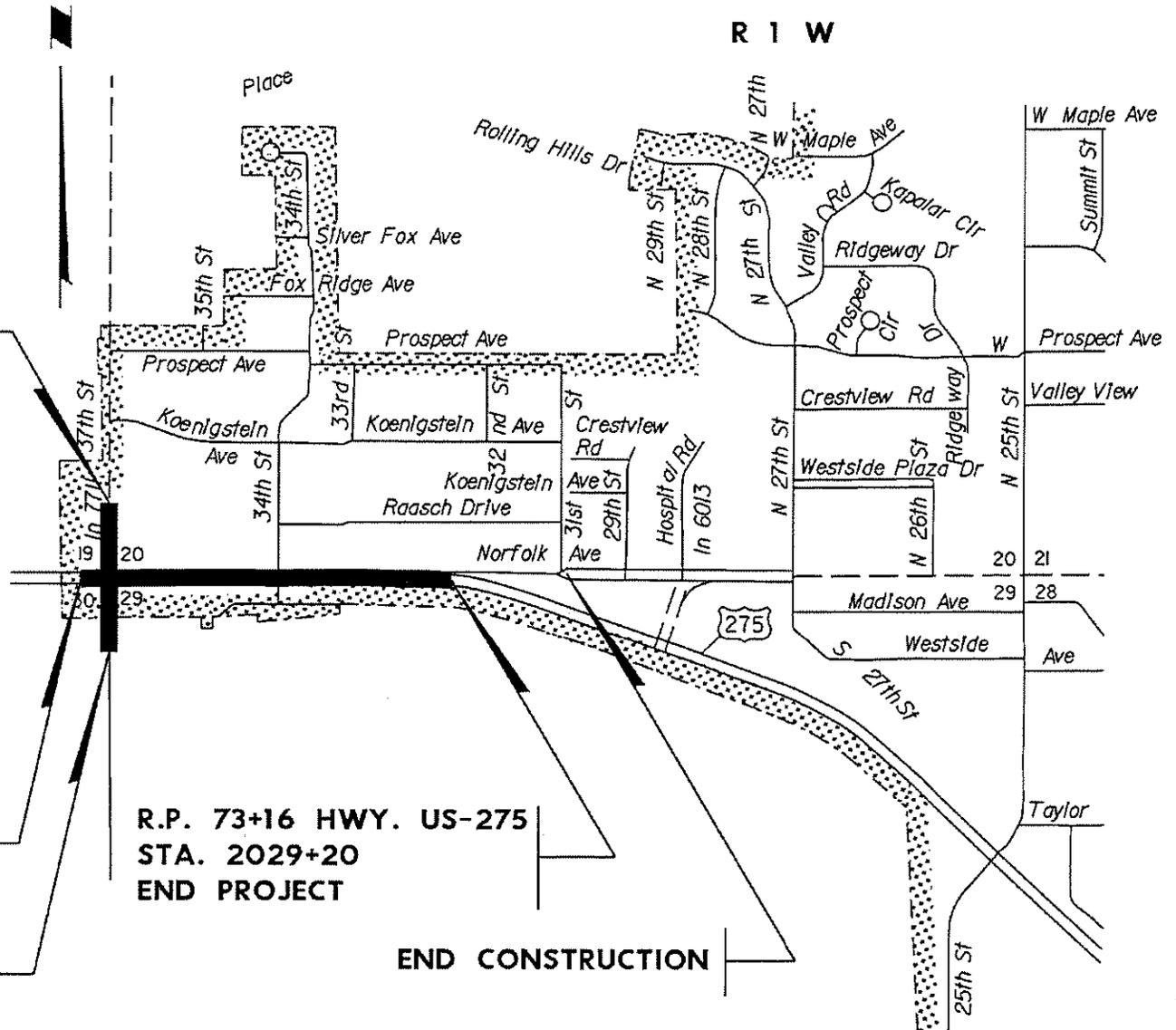
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**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS**  
**NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**

**Tues., May 7, 2013; 4:00 – 6:00 PM**

*Information Open House Public Meeting*

Divot's Convention Center, Dakota Rm., 4200 W. Norfolk Ave., Norfolk, NE

**HSIP-275-5(143) 37th St.--Norfolk Ave., Norfolk; CN 31417A**

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding the reconstruction of the intersection of U. S. Highway 275 (US-275) and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, in the city of Norfolk, Madison County.

The meeting will be held at Divot's Convention Center, in the Dakota Room, 4200 West Norfolk Ave. (US-275), Norfolk, Tuesday, May 7, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as **37th St.--Norfolk Ave., Norfolk**; the proposed project would begin just west of the corporate limits of Norfolk and extend east about half a mile to about where Norfolk Ave. currently merges onto US-275. The improvements on this project would consist of constructing a roundabout at the intersection with 37<sup>th</sup> Street, constructing a right turn bay on west-bound US-275 at 34<sup>th</sup> Street, and removing the merge from Norfolk Ave. onto west-bound US-275. Norfolk Ave. would terminate at 31<sup>st</sup> Street and access to US-275 would be only from Hospital Road.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and be complete as early as fall of the same year. The project would be built under traffic (without detouring). Temporary roads and cross-overs would be utilized during different phases of construction.

The proposed project would require the purchase of permanent property rights and temporary construction easements.

Approximately half an acre of permanent wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated at the Tracy Creek Wetlands Bank near Creston.

The public meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project and receive input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish. All materials will be presented in both English and Spanish and a Spanish language interpreter will be present at the meeting.

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NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by April 26, 2013. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert, Public Hearings Officer, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; [greg.weinert@nebraska.gov](mailto:greg.weinert@nebraska.gov); voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be available on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Norfolk 37<sup>th</sup> St." link. For further information, contact Kevin Domogalla, NDOR District Three Engineer, (402) 370-3470, [kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov](mailto:kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov).

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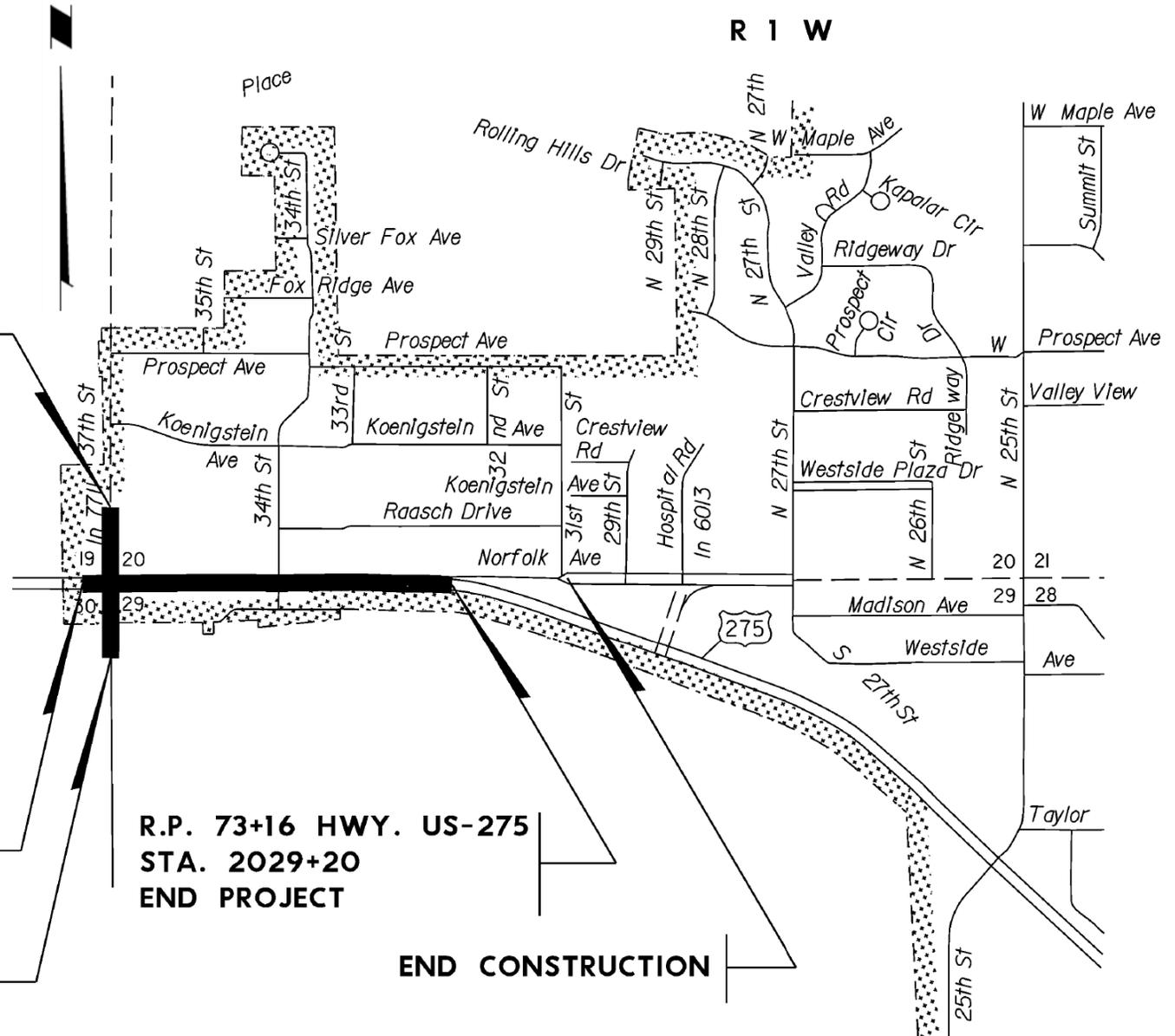
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April 25, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Highway 138 Detour/Closure

Colorado Line Northeast & Big Springs Southwest

Project No's. STPD-138-2(108) & STPD-138-2(107)

Highway 138 traffic will be detoured to I-80 starting on **May 1, 2013** to the **fall of 2013** for road construction. **Highway 138 will be closed from Big Springs to the I-80 interchange at exit 101.** While this detour is in effect **reference post (R.P.) 3+60 to R.P. 9+37** on Hwy 138 will be open to local traffic only. The detour route is shown on the attached map.

PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY.

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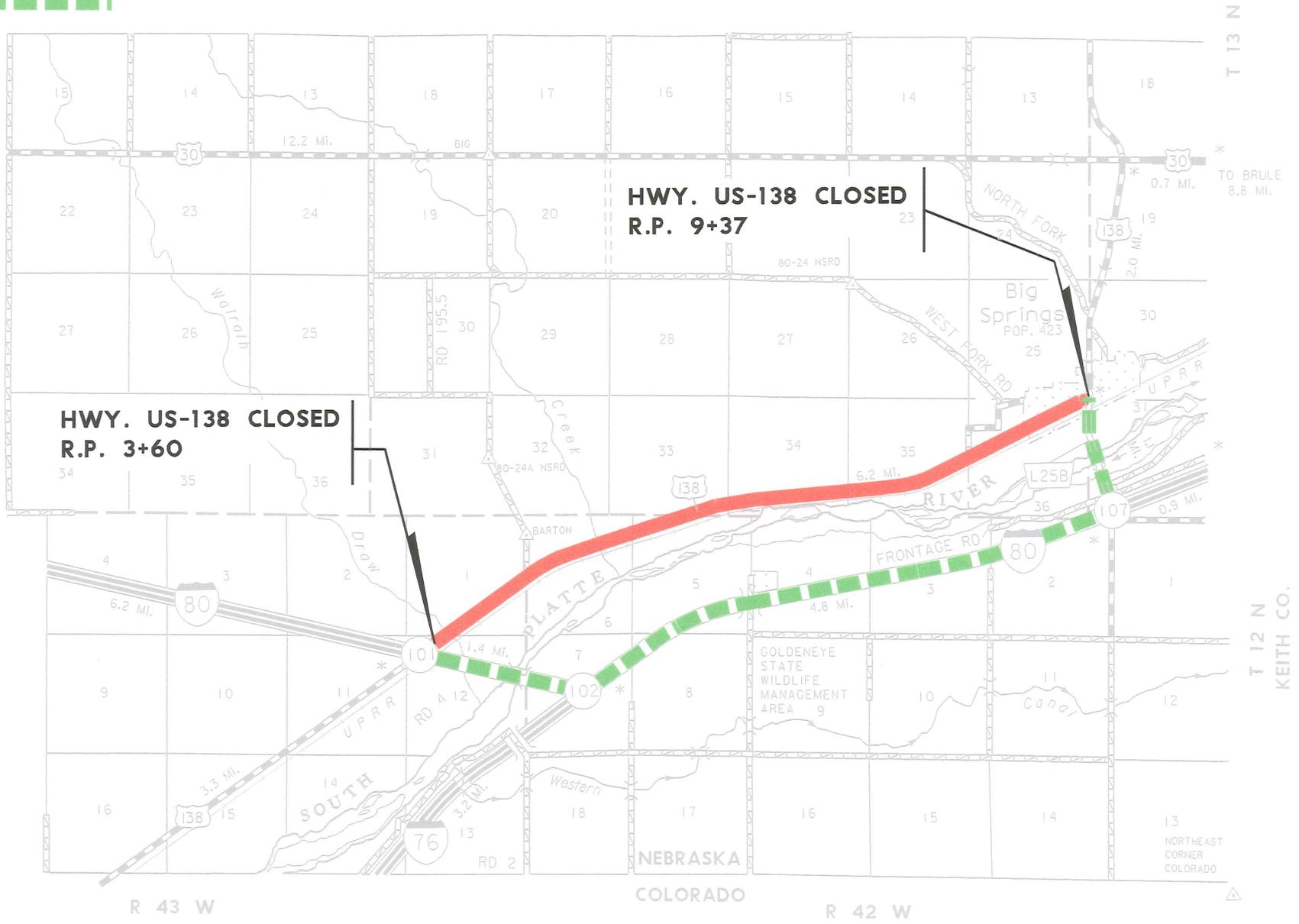
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# HIGHWAY 138 DETOUR MAP

DEUEL COUNTY

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**HWY. US-138 CLOSED**  
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April 25, 2013

## REVISED AGENDA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Road and Street Examiners to Meet

The Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents will meet at 10:00 a.m., May 3, in Room 103, Department of Roads, Central Headquarters Bldg., 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln.

The agenda includes:

- Grading of the April 5 written examination.

This meeting is open to the public.

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Agenda, as of April 25, 2013

**Contact:**  
LeMoyne Schulz, (402) 479-4436

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**Agenda**  
**for the Meeting of**  
**BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR COUNTY HIGHWAY**  
**AND CITY STREET SUPERINTENDENTS**

**REVISED AGENDA**

**May 3, 2013, 10:00 a.m.**

**Nebraska Department of Roads**  
**Central Headquarters Building, Room 103**  
**1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska**

Call to Order – Chairperson

Roll Call – Staff

Open Meetings Act, Agenda, Material provided by Board's Staff, Sign-in Sheet – Chairperson

Changes to Published Agenda – Staff

Minutes of April 5, 2013, Meeting

Professional Engineer application for a City Street Superintendent license, Class B: *(None)*

Professional Engineer application for a County Highway Superintendent license, Class B:  
*(None)*

Professional Engineer application for County Highway Superintendent license, Class B and  
City Street Superintendent license, Class B: *(None)*

Second Licenses issued administratively since April 5, 2013: *(None)*

Class B Licenses (second licenses) upgraded to Class A administratively since  
April 5, 2013: *(None)*

License Certificates Reissued since April 5, 2013: *(None)*

Grading of April 5, 2013, County Highway and City Street Superintendent Written Examination  
*(Executive Session)*

Statewide news release for newly licensed (Class B) County Highway and City Street  
Superintendents

Consider statements of contracted services for preparation and grading examination

Review and approval/disapproval of *(0)* new applicants and *(0)* re-applicants for the  
October 4, 2013, County Highway Superintendent and City Street Superintendent examination  
*(0 total) (Executive Session)*

Preparation for October 4, 2013, Written Examination and September 4-6, 2013,  
Pre-Examination Workshop.

- Workshop Location, Fairfield Inn, Kearney
- Updating of the Pre-Examination Workshop
- Designation of Exam Preparation and Grading Consultants

Request for Pre-certification of Professional Development Hours: *(None)*

Request for Verification of Professional Development Hours: *(1)*

- April 16 - 17, 2013 NDOR Bridge Conference

Mailing of Forty-Third Annual Report

Other Business

- Report on State and Federal Legislative Issues

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Correspondence and General Information

- Miscellaneous Correspondence

Comments from the Audience

Acknowledgement of Visitors

Next meeting: August 23, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Nebraska Department of Roads, Materials & Research Building, Room 129, 1400 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Adjournment

**Note: The business meeting is open to the public. The review of applicants for the October 4, 2013, written examination is closed to attendance of the public. The grading of the April 5, 2013 written examination is closed to attendance of the public.**

April 29, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Nebraska Schools to Celebrate National Bike to School Day on May 8

Safe Routes Nebraska invites kids, parents, educators and community leaders to join schools from around the country to celebrate National Bike to School Day on Wednesday, May 8.

“Biking to school is a fun way to fit activity into your child’s day,” said Angela Barry, Safe Routes Nebraska program coordinator. “Studies confirm that just a few minutes of daily exercise makes kids healthier, happier and better prepared to do well in school.”

Bike to School Day encourages a nationwide bike-focused celebration for students in the month of May and builds on the popularity and success of International Walk to School Day, which is celebrated statewide, across the country and around the world in October.

To get the fun rolling, Safe Routes Nebraska will give away 10 bike helmets to schools and community groups that register their events at [WalkBiketoSchool.org](http://WalkBiketoSchool.org) by Wednesday, May 1.

Bike to School Day events raise awareness of the need to create safer routes for bicycling and walking and emphasize the importance of increasing physical activity among children, improving pedestrian safety, reducing traffic congestion and protecting the environment. The events build connections between families, schools and the broader community.

Even if there are no formal Bike to School Day events nearby, Barry encourages families to get on their bikes May 8. “Bike to School Day is an opportunity for kids and families to have fun while celebrating the benefits of daily exercise,” she said.

### **About Safe Routes Nebraska:**

Safe Routes Nebraska is a part of the National Safe Routes to School program and the Nebraska Department of Roads to fund education, planning and implementation of Safe Routes to School plans and programs.

### **About National Bike to School Day:**

National Bike to School Day, coordinated by the National Center for Safe Routes to School, provides an opportunity for communities across the country to join together to bicycle to school on the same day. The event builds on the excitement surrounding National Bike Month, led by the League of American Bicyclists each May, as well as the popularity of Walk to School Day, coordinated by the National Center for Safe Routes to School every October.

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April 30, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Information Meeting May 14 for Improvements on US-281 & US-136 in Red Cloud

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold an Information Open House meeting Tuesday, May 14, regarding reconstruction of portions of U.S. Highway 281 (US-281) and U.S. Highway 136 (US-136) in the city of Red Cloud. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Opera House, 411 N. Webster Street, in Red Cloud.

The proposed project would include reconstruction of US-281 (Webster Street) beginning just north of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and extending north past 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. US-281 from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to just south of 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue would be resurfaced. US-136 (4<sup>th</sup> Avenue) would be resurfaced from west of Jefferson Street to just east of Cedar Street. US-136 between Cedar and Elm Streets would be reconstructed.

The *reconstruction* portions of the proposed project would include removing the existing paving material and replacing it with new pavement. Driveway approaches and intersections would be reconstructed, new curb inlets and storm sewers would be constructed, and city utilities modified or reconstructed as needed. New pedestrian sidewalks and curb ramps would be constructed as needed to comply with state and federal guidelines. The existing ornamental lighting system would remain in place.

Proposed construction on the *resurfacing* portions of the project would consist of milling and resurfacing with asphalt. Sidewalks and curb ramps in these sections would be constructed as well. Both US-281 and US-136 would remain two-lane roadways.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2017 and be complete as early as fall of the same year. The proposed construction would be completed under traffic, without diverting US-281 or US-136 traffic; however, lane closures with appropriate traffic control in construction zones may cause delays. Parking in these sections would be restricted during construction.

Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to answer questions, receive comments and discuss any aspect of the proposed highway improvement project.

Information regarding the project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at [www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/](http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/) by clicking on the "Red Cloud." link.

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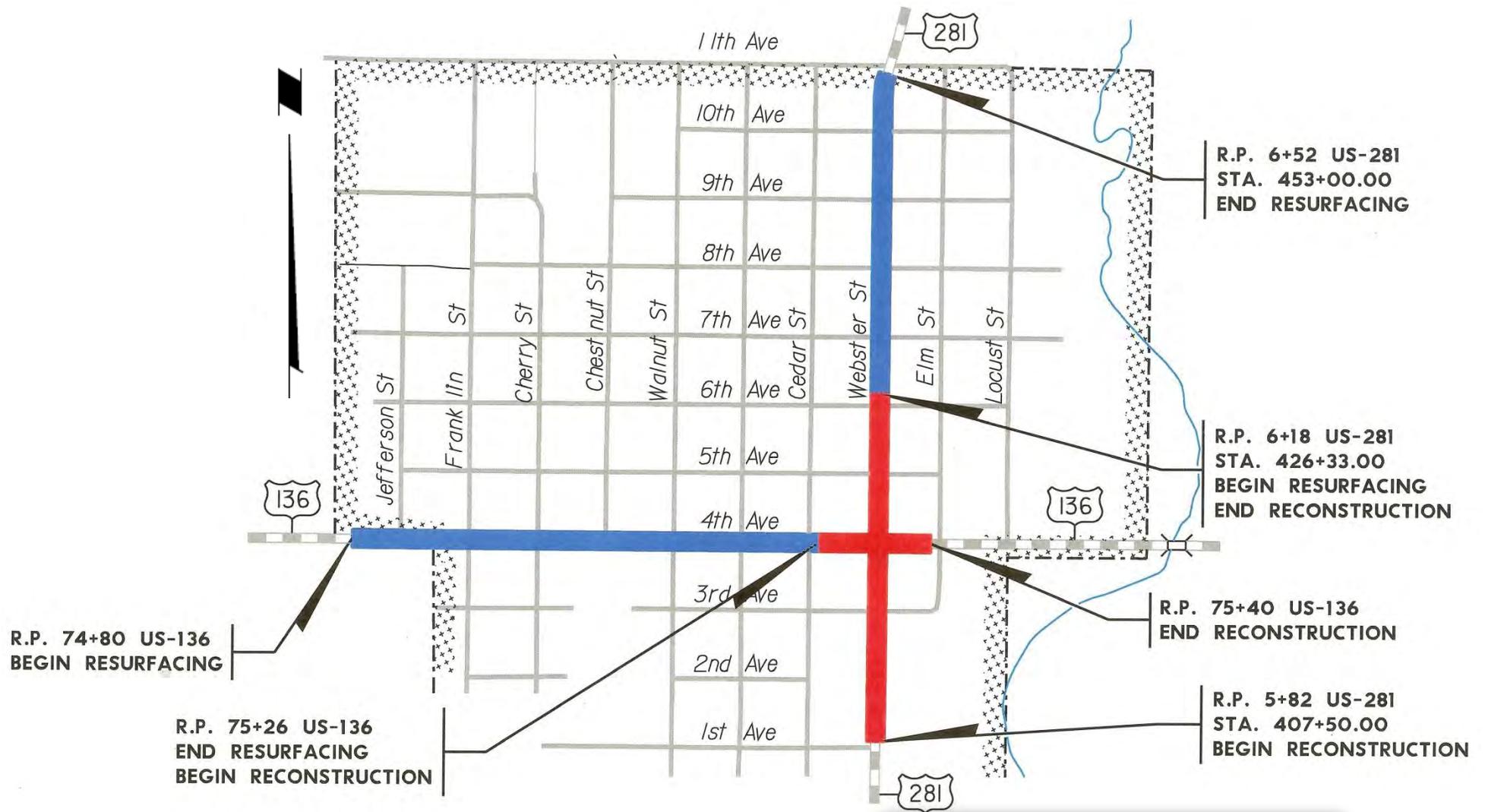
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