

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY PROJECT INFORMATION

NDOT PROJECT:

NH-80-8(103) Pleasant Dale – NW 56th Street; C.N. 12591

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently soliciting public input on proposed improvements to Interstate 80 (I-80) in Seward and Lancaster counties.

Identified as *Pleasant Dale – NW 56th Street*, the proposed project would rebuild and expand approximately 7.6 miles of I-80 beginning at mile marker (MM) 387.54, approximately 0.6 miles west of NW 154th Street, and extending east to MM 395.15, the NW 56th Street grade separation. The project would include restriping of the existing westbound pavement east of NW 56th Street to MM 396.59 to create three continuous through lanes.

The purpose of the proposed project is to increase traffic capacity while supporting and maintaining safe and efficient vehicular travel within the project corridor. The need for this project is based on the current condition of the pavement and bridges as well as current and projected traffic volumes.

Proposed improvements would consist of replacing the pavement and bridges and expanding I-80 to six lanes. The existing lanes would be replaced with new concrete pavement. Two new lanes and a 28-foot paved median with concrete barrier would be constructed within the existing depressed median to create a total of six lanes of travel, three in each direction, separated by a concrete barrier. The project would repair or replace mainline and overhead bridges within the project area, construct temporary crossovers, extend, modify or construct new culverts, remove and replace guardrail, and reconstruct the Nebraska Highway 103/NW 154th Street interchange and modernize the ramp lengths to accommodate the improvement.

The proposed project would not require the acquisition of additional property rights.

The Twin Lakes State Wildlife Management Area is located within a quarter mile of the project. Wetland and channel impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated as necessary.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2024 with completion anticipated by fall of 2026.

The proposed project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate temporary traffic control devices and practices; however, the project would require temporary local closures of NW 126th Street, NW 112th Street, NW 98th Street and NW 84th Street at I-80. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements.

Designated detours would be provided for local road closures at bridge overpasses. The route for NW 126th Street would be provided utilizing U.S. Highway 6 (US-6)/W O Street, NW 84th Street and Pawnee Lake State Recreation Road. The route for NW 112th Street would be provided utilizing US-6/W O Street, NW 126th Street and W Holdrege Road. The route for NW 98th Street would be provided utilizing US-6/W O Street, NW 84th Street and W Holdrege Road; access at the intersection of West Vine Street and NW 98th Street would be maintained. The route for NW 84th Street would be provided utilizing US-6/W O Street, NW 98th Street and W Holdrege Road. **Traffic on I-80 would not be detoured.**

The public is being encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding this proposed project. Comments will be collected through June 3, 2023. Written comments or requests should be submitted to: Lucas Nelsen, Public Involvement Specialist, Nebraska Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; lucas.nelsen@nebraska.gov; voice telephone 402-479-3890; fax 402-479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOT website at ndot.info/12591. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOT Headquarters: 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE, 68509. For further information, contact Thomas Goodbarn, NDOT District 1 Engineer, 402-471-0850, thomas.goodbarn@nebraska.gov.