

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NOTICE OF HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Wellfleet South

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Identified as *Wellfleet South*, the proposed project would improve 10.64 miles of US Highway 83 (US-83) in Frontier and Lincoln Counties using a Super 2 approach, which involves keeping the existing two lanes of highway in place and adding passing lanes at designated locations adjacent to the existing lanes to provide passing opportunities.

The project would begin approximately 3.3 miles south of the south junction of Nebraska Highway 23 (N-23) and US-83 at mile marker (MM) 44.76, and extend north to MM 55.40, approximately 3.4 miles north of the Frontier/Lincoln County Line. Construction operations will include a portion of N-23 for 400 feet east of the junction of US-83 and N-23. Construction may begin and/or end approximately 500 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning the pavement.

The purpose of this project is to preserve the transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this project is based on the condition of the existing roadway. The need for passing lanes is to improve the connectivity and reduce delay on US-83 due to truck traffic and terrain.

Proposed improvements would consist of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway and adding two passing lanes, one in the southbound direction and one in the northbound direction. Localized intersection improvements would also occur at N-23. Existing cable guardrail would be removed, existing slopes flattened, the span bridge over Brushy Creek would be removed and replaced with a Concrete Box Culvert, and the bridge over Medicine Creek would be repaired. Additional work would include grading beyond the hinge point to accommodate construction and pavement repairs.

This project would require the acquisition of additional property rights, which could include new right-of-way (ROW), control of access (CA), permanent easements (PE), and/or temporary easements (TE).

If your property is impacted by this project, you will be contacted by a representative once the design footprint has been established. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited due to phasing requirements. In addition, access to driveways may be limited at times due to phasing requirements.

Minor wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated as necessary.

Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin as early as summer of 2024 and complete by winter of 2025.

The proposed project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices.

NDOT has worked to develop this project to minimize inconvenience and hardships. We are dedicated to improving Nebraska's highway system and with your help we can achieve this goal.

Any questions or comments regarding this project 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 www.ndot.info/71232. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contacts below or at NDOT Headquarters, 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE.

For further information, contact Kurt Vosburg, NDOT District 7 Engineer, 308-345-8490, kurt.vosburg@nebraska.gov.

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