

Construction Update – August 12, 2021



Highway and project ID	WIS 78 Reconstruction Project (ID 5630-06-72)
Project limits, location	Eagle View Court to Weynand Road Prairie du Sac to Merrimac Sauk County
Project length	8.54 miles
Overall schedule	April 22, 2021 – Late September 2021
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Note: Updates are shown in red below.

Project Description:

Reconstruction along 8.54 miles of WIS 78 between Prairie du Sac and Merrimac. Construction operations consist of asphalt pavement, common excavation, base aggregate, select crushed material, concrete curb and gutter replacement, beam guard replacement, rumble strips, signing and pavement marking.

Overall traffic impacts:

WIS 78 is closed to through traffic with local traffic access maintained. The highway closure begins at Eagle View Court and ends at Weynand Road. WIS 78 through traffic is detoured via US 12, WIS 33 and I-90/94. WIS 113 through traffic is detoured via WIS 78, County DL and WIS 113.

The grading and select crushed material/base aggregate placement operations will result in local traffic having non-continuous flow through the work zone in the vicinity where the heavy construction is occurring. This means access to your destination will remain open; however, you will need to modify your approach using other routes since sideroads and driveways may only have ingress and egress from a single direction. Please plan ahead and allow extra time to reach your destination.

Work completed since last update (by roadway segment):

WIS 113 to WEYNAND ROAD-

- Open to unrestricted public travel.

WEIGANDS BAY ROAD (N) to EAGLE POINT ROAD-

- Completed the heavy construction operations.

INSPIRATION DRIVE to WEIGANDS BAY ROAD (N)-

- Continued to truck aggregate materials through this segment.
- Continued watering base aggregate for dust control.

GRUBERS GROVE ROAD to KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE-

- Placed the new concrete curb and gutter.
- Continued to truck aggregate materials through this segment.
- Continued watering of base aggregate for dust control.
- One small section remains to be graded along this section.
 - 150' piece laying between Keller Road (N) and Sunset Drive.
(Special Note: Currently, the anticipated date for the removal of this final piece of old roadway is Thursday – August 19, 2021 between the hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.)

EAGLE VIEW COURT to GRUBERS GROVE ROAD-

- Maintained local access/traffic on the lower layer of asphalt pavement.
- Continued to truck aggregate materials through this segment.
- Performed some miscellaneous concrete placement.

Anticipated work schedule until next update (by roadway segment):

WIS 113 to WEYNAND ROAD-

- No work, highway remains open to unrestricted public travel.

KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE to EAGLE POINT ROAD-

- Additional base aggregate placing, shaping and compaction.
- Placing new concrete curb & gutter for intersections and along mainline WIS 78.
- Watering base aggregate for dust control.

SUNSET DRIVE to KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE-

- Additional base aggregate placing, shaping and compaction.
- Watering the base aggregate for dust control.

KELLER ROAD (N) to SUNSET DRIVE-

- Additional base aggregate placing shaping and compaction.
- Install riprap along ditches by the large fill sections just north of Keller Road (N).
- Moving the topsoil pile by the large fill sections just north of Keller Road (N).
- Anticipate the heavy construction operations resuming to remove the final small section of old highway pavement that exists along this segment.

****Local traffic will not be able to pass through the active construction area during contractor work hours due to the heavy construction operations.****

- There will be a partial day of no local thru access between Keller Road (N) and Sunset Drive when the above noted small section of old pavement is removed. The topsoil moving/placement operation is very weather dependent work, also a prerequisite to the final heavy construction operation on the project. Currently, the extended weather forecast appears favorable for holding the jobsite work schedule. Therefore, at this time I anticipate the removal of this final section of old pavement and the associated heavy construction operations will occur on **Thursday – August 19, 2021 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM**. There will be electronic message boards posted along the highway warning of the pending local thru access closure.

EAGLE VIEW COURT to GRUBERS GROVE ROAD-

- Local access/traffic maintained on the lower layer of asphalt pavement.



A hot morning, grading towards the connection point west of Eagle Point Rd, (8/12/21)



Geogrid installation crew working between Goette Rd & Eagle Point Rd, (8/12/21)



Starting riprap placement in ditch line, large fill area north of Keller Rd [N], (8/12/21)



Connecting the roadway with aggregates just west of Eagle Point Road, (8/12/21)