

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CHECK LIST

FOR 23 CFR 771.117(c) ACTIONS
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
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WisDOT Design and Construction IDs 2240-00-07/77	Federal Project IDs (if available)	Legal Description (Township, Range, Section) T4-R20-S8, 17, 18, 19, 30; T4-R19-S25, 36; T3-R19-S1, 2, 14	County Racine
Project Name Milwaukee Avenue		Project Termini/ Location STH 20 to CTH Y	
Name of Route or Facility to be Improved STH 36	Facility Classification Principal Arterial	Improvement Type Resurfacing	
Estimated Project Cost in Year of Expenditure \$ (include R/W Cost) \$14,465,000		Funding Source(s) (check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Local	
23 CFR 771.117(c) Project Type Number and Text (26) Modernization of a highway by resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, reconstruction, adding shoulders, or adding auxiliary lanes (including parking, weaving, turning, and climbing lanes), if the action meets the constraints in paragraph (e) of this section.			
Section 4(f) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> De Minimis <input type="checkbox"/> Bikeway/ Walkway <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Park/ Rec <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Historic <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Bridge <input type="checkbox"/> Net Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> Exception			
Right of Way Acquisition 0 Total Acres 0 Fee Simple Acres 0 Permanent Easement Acres 0 Temporary Easement Acres			
Number of Buildings Acquired <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None 0 Vacant Buildings 0 Occupied Buildings			
Name of Individual/ Firm Preparing this Form Jeni Schroeder		CE Preparation Date 08/01/2018	Environmental Process Start Date 07/18/2016

WisDOT Region Environmental Coordinator or Local Program Management Consultant

I certify that I meet the requirements for staff who review and recommend approval of Categorical Exclusion (CE) actions, specified in the FHWA – WisDOT CE Agreement. I further certify that I have reviewed this document, and agree with the determination that the proposed project and resultant impacts meet the definition of a CE as described in 23 CFR 771.117(a) & (b), and will not result in significant environmental impacts. I recommend this CE for approval.

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Date)

WisDOT Region, Central Office, or Local Program Project Manager

I certify that I am familiar with this proposed project and its impacts and that the information contained in this document is accurate and can be relied upon for documentation decisions. I further certify that the mitigation measures and commitments proposed herein will be incorporated into the project plans and contract documents. I approve this CE.

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Date)

A determination that this project satisfies the criteria for an FHWA (c)-listed Categorical Exclusion (CE) does not relieve the applicant of the requirement to comply with other laws and regulations including, but not limited to, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and Section 4(f) of the US Department of Transportation Act. Coordination to comply with these other laws may require FHWA involvement. Furthermore, designation of this project as a (c)-listed CE does not relieve the requirement for WisDOT to coordinate with WDNR under the Cooperative Agreement. Any correspondence or documentation used to comply with Federal, State, or Local laws or regulations should be maintained in the project file and provided with this checklist upon request.

Rivers, Streams and Floodplains	<p>The Fox River and the Wind Lake Drainage canal are navigable waterways. In order to protect developing fish eggs and substrate for aquatic organisms, all instream work that could adversely impact water quality should be avoided between March 1st and June 15th of the calendar year.</p> <p>Submit Waterway Marker Application and Permit so the Fox River can be posted for recreational traffic.</p> <p>Invasive Species and Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS): Adequate precautions will be taken to prevent transporting or introducing invasive species via construction equipment, as provided under chapter NR 40 Wis. Adm. Code. Further information on species classified as Restricted or Prohibited under NR 40 can be found at: http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/documents/nr40lists.pdf.</p> <p>Any equipment coming into contact with surface waters will be properly cleaned and disinfected to address the spread on invasive species and viruses. Special provisions will require contractors to implement the following measures before and after mobilizing in-water equipment to prevent the spread of VHS, Zebra mussel, and other invasive species. Contractors should follow STSP 107-055 <i>Environmental Protection, Aquatic Exotic Species Control</i>, or protocol found here: https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Fishing/vhs/vhs_gahowyoucanhelp.html</p> <p>Structure Removal: Due to the characteristics of this section of the Fox River and Wind Lake Drainage Canal, STSP 203-020, <i>Removing Old Structure Over Waterway With Minimal Debris</i>, will be adequate for this project.</p> <p>WisDOT will meet the standards of chapter NR116, Wis. Adm. Code, Floodplain Management, for the causeway. The causeway will be clearly marked and lit for navigational safety of any recreationist who may use the river at night, and a waterway marker permit may be required.</p>
Lakes or other Open Water	No commitments needed.
Groundwater, Wells and Springs	No commitments needed.
Upland Wildlife and Habitat	No commitments needed.
Coastal Zones	No commitments needed.
Threatened and Endangered Species	River Redhorse, <i>Moxostoma carinatum</i> , is present in the Fox River at both bridge locations. Impacts to this species can be avoided by following the in-water restrictive time periods, including no in-water work between March 1st and June 1st of the calendar year.
Air Quality	No commitments needed.
Construction Stage Sound Quality	WisDOT Standard Specification 107.8(6) and 108.7.1 will apply.
Traffic Noise	No commitments needed.

Hazardous Substances or Contamination	<p>The department and others completed testing for soil and groundwater contamination for locations within this project where excavation is required. Testing indicated that soil contaminated with petroleum volatile organic compounds (PVOCs) is present at the following locations where excavation is required, as shown on the plans:</p> <p>1. STH 36 from STA 390+50 to 391+50, from reference line to project limits right, from 4' to 16' bgs. Soil contains PVOCs and must be managed. Approximately 80 cubic yards (approximately 136 tons at an estimated 1.7 tons per cubic yard) of soil will be excavated from this location.</p> <p>2. North side of East Main Street, east of STH 36, from STH 36 STA 389+15 to 389+40, from 200' right of STH 36 reference line to 300' right of STH 36 reference line, from 1' bgs to 4' bgs. Soil contains PVOCs and must be managed. Approximately 60 cubic yards (approximately 102 tons at an estimated 1.7 tons per cubic yard) of soil will be excavated from this location.</p> <p>Directly load soil excavated by the project at the above location into trucks that will transport the soil to a WDNR-licensed landfill facility for disposal.</p> <p>Removed sediment materials from culverts will be disposed within project limits and in WisDOT's ROW.</p>
Storm Water	Project will comply with Trans 401 and stormwater permitting requirements.
Erosion Control	<p>Erosion control devices will be specified on the contract plans and an ECIP will be developed by the contractor 14 days prior to the preconstruction meeting in accordance with WisDOT standard processes. Appropriate erosion control measures will be installed and maintained in accordance with WisDOT standards and procedures. i.e. Biodegradable Erosion Mat</p> <p>Follow STSP 203-020: Removing Old Structure over waterway with minimal debris</p>
Other	Migratory Birds