# US 12 Bypass South Section Public Information Meeting

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### US 12 South Section Preliminary Design Overview



# WIS 136 Interchange

- WIS 136 passes under US 12.
- Interchange includes roundabouts at ends of ramps.
- Roundabouts will be dual lane to match existing 4-lane section to the east.
- Provides 10' side paths through roundabouts.



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# **CTH W Interchange**

- CTH W passes under US 12.
- Interchange includes single lane roundabouts at ends of ramps.
- Roundabouts are expandable to dual lane.
- Provides 10' side paths through roundabouts.
- Provides sidewalk on north and south side (at request of the City of Baraboo).
- 2-lane section matches proposed CTH W/South Blvd. project east of existing US 12.





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# **Gasser Road**

- Gasser Road passes over US 12.
- 22' roadway with 4' paved shoulders
- 26' wide driving surface on bridge.
- 12' path separated by barrier on south side of bridge
- 12' paths leading up to bridge to accommodate snowmobiles.



### Point of Rocks/Skillet Creek Tributary Area

- FEIS Preferred Alignment cut though Point of Rocks Outcroppings.
- Meetings were held with the Geological Community and Agencies to discuss significance of Point of Rocks

#### **Environmental Constraints**

- Point of Rocks outcroppings
  - Nationally recognized as a teaching tool for geologists
  - On National Register of Historic Places
- Skillet Creek Tributary & wetlands
  - High quality wetlands
  - Floodplain
- Within boundary of Baraboo Range
  National Natural Landmark





# **US 12 at Point of Rocks**

- Cul de Sac at Point of Rocks Outcropping.
- Narrow median with barrier on US 12 through Skillet Creek Tributary area.
- Safe option with minimized environmental impacts.
- CTH W interchange & existing US 12/CTH W intersection will handle future traffic resulting from cul de sac.
- Main entrance into Devil's Lake Park will be CTH W.





# Access to Devil's Lake

- CTH W will be main entrance to Devil's Lake State Park.
- Project will include wayfinding signs on US 12, CTH W, existing US 12 & WIS 159.
- Will add 3.8 additional miles to visitors coming from the south.
- WisDOT recognizes that Ski Hi Road will see additional traffic.





# Lehman Road-Ski Hi Road Area

- Full access intersections.
- 100' wide median to provide a 2-stage crossing.
- Left and right turns lanes designed to meet current standards.
- Frontage road west of US 12 north from Lehman Road.



# **Ski Hi Road Intersection**

- Full access intersection.
- 100' wide median to provide a 2-stage crossing.
- Left and right turns lanes designed to meet current standards.
- Safe intersection.



# Ski Hi Road – End of Project

- Median narrows from 100' to 60' (standard) south of Ski Hi Road
- Matches into existing 4-lane section 0.75 miles south of Ski Hi Road.





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- 4f/6f Mitigation is required by federal law when there is a taking from a publicly funded facility such as a park or recreational area.
- The US 12 project involves purchasing right-of-way from Mirror Lake State Park and Devil's Lake State Park.
- The 4f/6f mitigation entails replacement of the land with land and facilities that are of comparable value and function.



 The taking from Mirror Lake State Park is required to build bicycle and pedestrian accommodation across I-94 that satisfies the requirement in the FEIS.





 The taking from Devil's Lake State Park is required to build a drainage ditch along the South Section of the US 12 Bypass just north of Lehman Road.





- The proposed mitigation site for the Mirror Lake and Devil's Lake takings is the Baker Parcel just north of Lehman Road.
- WisDOT is also investigating other sites.





# **Community Sensitive Design (CSD)**

- CSD funds are used by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) to provide harmony between the roadway and the natural, social, economic, and cultural environments.
- Amenities can include:
  - Aesthetic treatment to structures (retaining walls, bridges)
  - Landscaping
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Accommodations (South Gasser Road)
  - Native prairie planting/seeding
  - Decorative amenities i.e. fencing, lighting, special pavements
  - Wildlife crossings (Skillet Creek, Skillet Creek Tributary, Farr Property)



# **Community Sensitive Design - Structures**



### US 12 at WIS 136:

US 12 goes over WIS 136, therefore the bridge is highly visible from the local roadway.

### US 12 at Hatchery Rd:

No roadway crossings; no structures.

### US 12 at CTH W:

US 12 goes over CTH W, therefore the bridge is highly visible from the local roadway.

### US 12 at South Gasser Rd:

US 12 goes under South Gasser Rd, therefore the bridge is highly visible from US 12.

### US 12 at Lehman Rd and Ski Hi Rd:

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At grade crossing; no structures.

#### Other Structures:

Baraboo River Skillet Creek Skillet Creek Tributary

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#### WIS 136 Interchange:

Two (2) roundabouts on WIS 136 at the US 12 ramp terminals.

### Hatchery Rd:

Two (2) cul-de-sacs, one on either side of US 12..

#### CTH W Interchange:

Two (2) roundabouts on CTH W at the US 12 ramp terminals.

#### Lehman Frontage Road Berm:

Approximately 1,500 linear feet of berm and plantings on the west side of US 12.

### Other Opportunities:

Project-specific prairie seed mix for flatbottomed swales at various locations throughout the corridor.

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WIS 136 - Concept B Plan WIS 136 - Concept A Plan LEGEND LEGEND TRUCK APRON PLANTABLE AREA TRUCK APRON PLANTABLE Multi-stem Tree Multi-stem Tree TRAVERSABLE ZONE TRAVERSABLE ZONE Large Shrub Grass Groundcover Medium Shrub Small Shrub PLANT PALETTE PLANT PALETTE 12-0" 6-0" 6'-0" 12'-0" 12'-0" 6'-0" PLANTABLE AREA PLANTABLE AREA 6'-0" 12'-0" WIS 136 - Concept B Elevation - 2 WIS 136 - Concept A Elevation 2 3 WIS 136 USH 12 Sauk County February 6, 2013









# **Specific Information Signs (SIS)**



Program to Direct Motorists to Services up to 5 Miles from Highways

#### **Business Categories**

- Food
- Gasoline
- Lodging
- Camping
- Attractions

#### **DERSE**

Wisconsin Highway Business Signs Contact Information 800-345-5772 http://www.wisconsinhighwaybusinesssigns.com



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# What's next for the South Section?

- Real Estate Acquisition completed by end of 2013.
- Plans for off alignment grading and structures, WIS 136, CTH W and Gasser Road grading and paving will be bid in November 2014.
- Plans for on-alignment grading and structures and paving will be bid in November 2015.
- Construction to begin in 2015 and end in 2016.

<b>US 12 SOUTH SECTION SCHEDULE</b>																	
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FINAL DESIGN										-							
CONSTRUCTION																	



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