



# Project Update

## Watertown Plank Road Bridges Over Underwood Creek

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Southeast Region continues progress on rehabilitation of the bridges on Watertown Plank Rd. over Underwood Creek.

### February/March Progress

Department contractors completed modifications to traffic signals at 113<sup>th</sup>, removed and installed temporary lighting, established Stage 2 traffic control on the eastbound roadway, and are nearing completion of removal of the existing bridge deck of the westbound Watertown Plank Rd. bridge over Underwood Creek. Contractors completed removal and replacement of the existing backwall at the east abutment and construction of a retaining wall on the north side of the east abutment.

### Scheduled Work – Construction Impacts

Following bridge deck removal, the contractor will remove and replace the west abutment backwall, painting contractors will clean and paint the top flange of each of the 4 steel girders, and steel bearings at the east and west abutments will be replaced. Forming and decking operations will take place across most of April followed closely by placement of steel reinforcing.

The Oak Leaf Trail will continue to be closed and detoured during overhead operations. Trail closures are posted on Milwaukee County Parks website.

### Traffic Control

Current traffic control, with westbound traffic crossed to the eastbound roadway, will remain in place through most of summer. The department continues to monitor signal operations at the intersection of 113<sup>th</sup> and Watertown Plank Rd.. Signal timing is identical to what was in place during 2017 construction, with eastbound and westbound traffic phases separated in order to accommodate left turning vehicles at the intersection of 113th Street.