

COUNTY G (BEGLEY ST.) BRIDGE PROJECT UPDATE

The bridge over the Black River on County G (W. Begley St.) in the City of Greenwood is reaching the end of its useful life. Clark County is working with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to replace the bridge with a new structure. Since the public meeting held in 2021, the existing bridge was determined to be historically significant. Numerous alternatives were developed to avoid removal of the existing bridge and still meet project purpose and need.

After completing extensive evaluation of the impacts, benefits and costs of these alternatives, **Alternative #6: New Bridge on Existing Alignment** has been selected as the preferred alternative. This will require the removal of the existing structure and construction of a new bridge at the same location.

The other alternatives either did not adequately meet the project purpose and need, or generated significant adverse impacts to the natural environment and private property.

In March 2023, Clark County and WisDOT conducted a consultation meeting with local representatives, historical organizations and adjacent property owners to discuss options for mitigating the loss of the historic bridge. Several actions were agreed upon by the involved parties.

For details about the alternatives, please visit the Clark County Highway Department website: <https://www.clarkcountywi.gov/highwayprojects>.

If you have any comments regarding the project or the historic nature of the project, submit them to Brian Duell, Clark County Highway Commissioner, at Brian.Duell@co.clark.wi.us or 715-743-3680. For those who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, have low vision, or are speech disabled, please use the Wisconsin Telecommunication Relay System (WTRS) by dialing 711 or 1-800-947-3529. The comment period for the project is open until Sept. 8, 2023.