



The I-94 East-West Corridor connects Milwaukee and Waukesha counties to points beyond and is a main artery for Wisconsin commerce.

## How was the preferred alternative determined?

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) engaged in an extensive and diligent process to analyze and evaluate several design options for the project. The process involved many public comment opportunities, including public involvement meetings, public hearings, individual stakeholder meetings, a public comment period, frequent communication through enewsletters, and more.

As a result of this process, the agencies identified a preferred alternative that cut well over \$200 million off total project cost and includes essential safety and efficiency upgrades, as well as a neighborhood-sensitive design that avoids nearby homes, businesses, cemeteries, and the national historic landmark associated with the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center.

WisDOT is currently conducting significant outreach as part of the 2020-21 project reevaluation and startup. This process includes input from transit, business, and labor and disadvantaged business enterprise advisory groups to balance the project's impacts and benefits across Milwaukee's diverse population. The preferred alternative:

- Will NOT include a double deck option at the cemetery
- Will add a lane in each direction with narrow driving lanes and shoulders from Hawley Road to Zablocki Drive to avoid adjacent cemeteries
- Will modernize the corridor to address safety concerns
- Will minimize business and residential relocations
- Will modify various local roads, intersections, and signals to mitigate traffic impacts in corridor