

## PUBLIC MEETING

**Project Location:** S.D. Highway 45 from the U.S. Highway 14 junction in Miller south to 208<sup>th</sup> Street – Hand County  
**Project Number:** P-PH 0045(61)101 PCN 07F1 & P 0045(69)101 PCN 08KV  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 5:30 p.m. (CT)  
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## MISSION

To efficiently provide a safe and effective public transportation system.  
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## PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

- Involve the public in the planning and design process
- Provide a project overview
  - ✓ Background information
  - ✓ Proposed project
  - ✓ Project schedule
- Gather input and comments

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## PROJECT LIMITS



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## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Grading in 1942 and 1950
- Resurfaced in 1994
- Chip seal in 2005
- ADA and Resurfacing in 2015

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## TRAFFIC

- 2023 Average daily traffic (ADT): 589
- 2043 Projected ADT: 784
- 24.5% Average truck traffic

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### CRASH HISTORY

**20 Reported crashes**  
(Five-year period from 2017-2021)

- Eleven (11) animal hit
- Five (5) fixed object off road
- One (1) angle-intersection
- One (1) rear end
- One (1) overturn off road
- One (1) sideswipe overtake
- Zero (0) fatalities

**Rural principal arterial**

- Reported crash rate = 2.73
- Statewide weighted crash rate = 1.56 (crashes per million vehicle miles of travel)

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### HIGHWAY DEFICIENCIES

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### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

Replace fence and culverts

Replace structure over Stony Run Creek

Mill & asphalt resurfacing

ADA curb ramp updates

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### PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION

SD Highway 45  
Typical Section

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### ACCESS MANAGEMENT

Provide safe, efficient access to streets and highways by limiting the number of direct accesses to major roadways.

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### RIGHT OF WAY (ROW)

Existing width = 150 feet

Purchase additional ROW to maintain 150 feet

Temporary easements as needed

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### ENCROACHMENTS

**Private property in public ROW**

Federal highway regulations for safety

**Examples**

- Signs
- Private use (parking)
- Landscaping items

**Notification**

Owners of encroachments will be notified by the Huron Area Office.

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### UTILITY COORDINATION

Some utilities may need to be relocated.

Utility companies negotiate easements with landowners.

- Lumen Technologies
- Dakota Energy Cooperative
- Mid-Dakota Rural Water
- Midcontinent Communications
- Venture Communications
- City of Miller

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### UTILITY COORDINATION

Any known private utilities?

- Water lines
- Drain fields
- Septic tanks
- Underground storage tanks
- Underground power lines

Contact SDDOT

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### ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC CONCERNS

A cultural resources survey will be completed.

The project is being reviewed to determine extent of wetland impacts.

**Endangered and threatened species:**

- Birds: Whooping Crane and Rufa Red Knot
- Insects: Monarch Butterfly, Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee, and Western Regal Fritillary

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### ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC CONCERNS

This project is being developed in accordance with applicable State and Federal environmental regulations.

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended. Coordination has been initiated with State and Federal resource agencies.

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### CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC CONTROL

Road will be closed to through traffic during construction

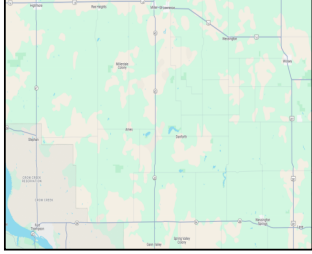

Local traffic and emergency vehicle for landowner and business access will always be maintained

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### CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC CONTROL

- Truck traffic will be diverted to S.D. Highway 47 and U.S. Highway 281
- We are considering alternatives for light vehicle traffic – Public input appreciated

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### LANDOWNER MEETINGS

**Fall 2025**  
Landowners adjacent to the project will be contacted individually by SDDOT to schedule a meeting.

**Discussion Items**

- Driveway locations/widths
- Fences
- Drainage
- Trees
- Temporary easements or ROW acquisition

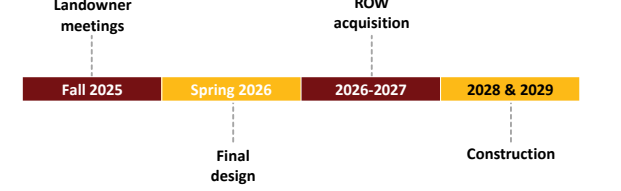



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### TENTATIVE PROJECT SCHEDULE

Dependent on federal funding

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### QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

**DEADLINE:**  
Friday, April 25, 2025


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