

## **Business 51, villages of Whiting and Plover**

### **Recently completed**

- Utility crews completed relocating their facilities between Tommy's Turnpike and Cedar Street.
- Crews placed asphalt to widen the existing roadway on the west side of Business 51 at the Tommy's Turnpike intersection.
- Crews completed the marsh excavation and sand placement to widen the roadway between County HH and Minnesota Avenue.

### **Current activities**

- Crews are placing rock to protect the edge of the newly widened roadway between County HH and Minnesota Avenue.
- Utility crews are relocating their facilities between MacArthur Way and Tommy's Turnpike and between Cedar Street and County HH.

### **Scheduled ahead for the next week**

- Crews will continue to place rock on the widened roadway between County HH and Minnesota Avenue.
- Utility crews will continue relocating their facilities between Cedar Street and County HH.
- Crews will start storm sewer work between Hickory Drive and Tommy's Turnpike.

### **Traffic impacts and business access**

- The sidewalk from Minnesota Avenue to County HH has been removed. Pedestrians and bikes will need to use Minnesota Avenue and the sidewalk on County HH.
- The Porter Road access to Business 51 is closed.
- The Hickory Drive access to Business 51 will be closed August 27 through August 31 to allow for the construction of underground utilities.
- Motorists can expect lane closures, flagging operations and lane shifts.
- Pedestrians may encounter some sidewalk closures and detours.
- Pedestrian traffic north of Tommy's turnpike is detoured using Elm Street, School Avenue/First Avenue and the paved pathway constructed on the village of Whiting Utility easement. Bikes and pedestrians are encouraged to use this route to avoid hazards inside the construction zone. Some of the roadway for pedestrian and bicycle use has been delineated by white tape. Motorists on this route need to exercise caution as there will likely be increased pedestrian traffic.

**Contact information**

- The project field office is located at 2525 Post Road, Stevens Point
- Business and property owners can contact the on-site Project Leader Korey Boehm at 715.459.2943 or the project field office at 715-544-6462.