



Ramsey Gateway Highway 10 Project

Virtual Open House Summary | May 14-31, 2021

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Thank you to everyone who participated in the May 2021 Virtual Open House hosted by Anoka County, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), and the City of Ramsey. This virtual open house presented the project team's recommendation for the 2021 Refined Alternate as depicted below. Additional project details and next steps were also shared with a project update video and supporting material online and at Ramsey City Hall. Public feedback was collected through an online comment card and online interactive comment map.

What We Heard

When will more information be shared about land available for development?

Per federal funding requirements, the MnDOT and the Federal Highway Administration must approve the Environmental Assessment Reevaluation before the right-of-way acquisition process can begin. It is anticipated that right-of-way acquisition can begin in early 2022, and at that time the project partners will have a clear understanding of parcels available and their timeline for purchase.

Can the north frontage road, west of Ramsey Blvd, continue to Armstrong Blvd or have direct access to Highway 10?

With the proposed improvements and per MnDOT's access spacing guidelines, an at grade access between the frontage road and Highway 10 would not be permitted. Due to the close proximity of the BNSF Railway and Highway 10 near Armstrong Blvd, extending the north frontage road to that location is not feasible as it would require very costly and impactful reconstruction of the highway and the interchange ramps.

Will the center islands within each proposed roundabout include berms or landscape plantings? Why is this a common design element?

The project team has yet to determine recommendations for the roundabout center island treatments. The reasons that berms or plantings are intentional design elements is to increase visibility of the intersection for approaching drivers, to promote lower speeds by decreasing excessive sight distance, and to focus the driver's sight lines on pedestrians near the crosswalk and vehicles approaching from the left.

Support for the 2021 Refined Alternate and the improvements that have been included in the new design!

Ramsey Boulevard (CR 56) Interchange

- Remove existing traffic signal and replace with county road bridge over Hwy 10 and BNSF Railway
- Roundabout interchange
- North frontage road provides safer access to existing businesses along Hwy 10 and minimizes existing business acquisitions
- Realignment of Ramsey Blvd minimizes bridge lengths required
- Multi-use trail connections on east and west side of grade separated county road and along frontage roads

North Frontage Road

- Maintains Oak Terrace Estates Community and all existing homes
- Removes driveways from high speed Hwy 10 traffic
- Continuous multi-use trail provided along the north side of the frontage road

Sunfish Lake Boulevard (CR 57) Interchange

- Remove existing traffic signal and replace with county road bridge over Hwy 10 and BNSF Railway
- Roundabout interchange
- Realignment of Sunfish Lk Blvd minimizes existing business acquisitions and bridge lengths required
- Multi-use trail connections on east and west side of grade separated county road and along frontage road

Mississippi West Regional Park

- Proposed improvements minimize impacts to the park to the extent possible
- Local and regional vehicle and non-motorized access to the park is greatly improved

Riverdale Drive Connection

- Improves local connectivity for residents
- Interchange ramps directly adjacent to Hwy 10 keep most entering and exiting regional hwy traffic off Riverdale Dr

South Frontage Road

- Removes driveways from high speed Hwy 10 traffic
- Roadway width and alignment accommodates large truck movements to and from businesses
- Sidewalk provided along the south side of the frontage road





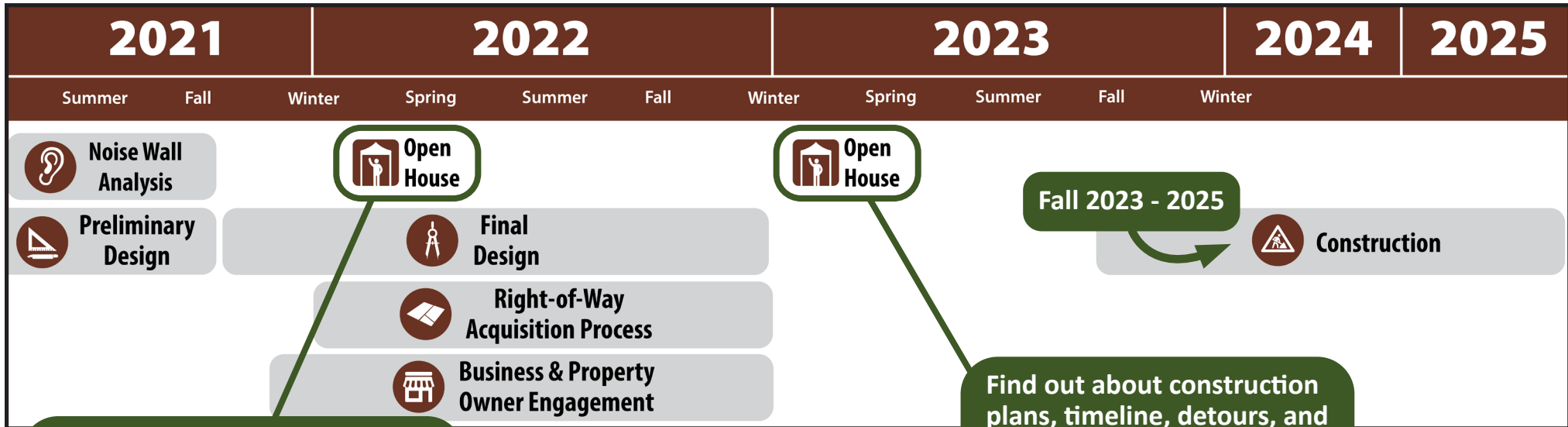
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What's Next?



Fall 2023 - 2025

Find out about construction plans, timeline, detours, and communications!

Learn about design and aesthetic details as well as the anticipated construction staging!

Ramsey Boulevard

Before



After



Sunfish Lake Boulevard

Before



After



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