NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

HIGHWAY PROJECT INFORMATION

NDOT PROJECT:

NH-180-9(8) I-180 Bridges over I-80; C.N. 13472

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently soliciting public input on the proposed improvements of Interstate 180 (I-180) in Lancaster County.

Identified as *I-180 Bridges over I-80*, the proposed project would improve the I-180 bridges over Interstate 80 (I-80) in Lancaster County. The project includes the length of the bridges, 1,000 feet beyond both ends of the bridges and crossovers north and south of the structures.

The purpose of this proposed project is to preserve the transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system, and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this proposed project is based on the current condition of the bridges.

The proposed improvements on this project consist of rehabilitation of two bridges over I-80 (structure numbers S080 40105 and S080 40106), removing and replacing pavement adjacent to the ends of the existing structures, constructing bridge approaches with grade beam on piles, crossovers, lighting, updating guardrail, median drainage work, and replacement of overhead sign structures.

The proposed project would be constructed primarily under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices; however, temporary on/off loop closures would be required during construction. Short-term overnight closures of mainline I-80 would also be required. Eastbound (EB) and westbound (WB) I-80 lane closures would not run concurrently. The detour for EB I-80 traffic would utilize I-80 Exit 399, Cornhusker Highway, and I-180 northbound (NB). WB I-80 traffic would be shifted to the C-D ramp. Temporary crossovers would be constructed to maintain I-180 traffic in a head-to-head configuration.

The loop closures and accompanying detours are as follows (maps available at ndot.info/13472):

Phase 1:

- -WB I-80 to southbound (SB) I-180 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) and Cornhusker Highway
- -NB I-180/US-34 loop to WB I-80; detour would utilize I-180, and Cornhusker Highway/U.S. Highway 6 (US-6)
- -EB I-80 to NB I-180/US-34 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) and Cornhusker Highway
- -SB I-180/US-34 to EB I-80 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) then U-Turn back to I-80

Phase 2:

- -WB I-80 to SB I-180 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) and Cornhusker Highway
- -EB I-80 to NB I-180/US-34 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) and Cornhusker Highway
- -SB I-180/US-34 to EB I-80 loop; detour would utilize I-80 (Exit 399) then U-Turn back to I-80

Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in the spring of 2026 and would be completed by winter of 2027.

The proposed project would not require the acquisition of additional property rights. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to traffic phasing requirements. No wetland and/or other water resource impacts are anticipated.

A separate NDOT project identified as *Hwy 6 & Adams St Bridges over I-80* (NH-180-9(733); C.N. 12046) is located within the proposed project vicinity. The proposed project is located on the U.S. Highway 6 (US-6) bridge (structure number S180 00255) and the Adams Street bridge (structure number S180 00164). Both bridges span I-180 within the city of Lincoln in Lancaster County. The project includes the length of each bridge plus 500 feet beyond both ends of each bridge. For more information on this project, please visit ndot.info/12046.

The public is encouraged to provide input regarding this proposed project. Materials can be provided in alternative languages or formats. Comments will be collected through August 13, 2025. Written comments or requests should be submitted to: Sarah Fisher, Public Involvement Specialist, Nebraska Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; sarah.fisher@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402) 479-3832, fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOT website at ndot.info/13472. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOT Headquarters, 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE. For further information, contact Brandon Varilek, NDOT District 1 Engineer, (402) 471-0850, brandon.varilek@nebraska.gov.