

50TH ST – I-480

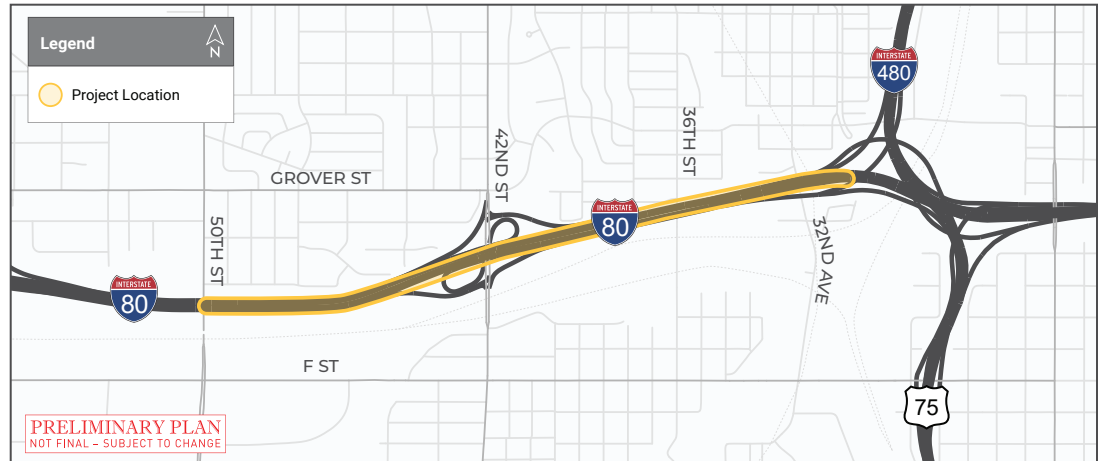
Public Information Open House Meeting

NH-MTIS-80-9(203) I-80, 50th Street – I-480; C.N. 22855

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is seeking input on the proposed 50th St – I-480 project, which would involve improvements to Interstate 80 (I-80) along an approximately 2.1-mile segment in Omaha, Nebraska.

LOCATION

The project would start at the I-80 bridge over 50th Street and extend east to just west of the northbound (NB) U.S. Highway 75 (US-75)/ Interstate 480 (I-480) overpass.



PURPOSE & NEED

The goal of this project is to improve traffic flow and reduce current and future congestion in a heavily traveled corridor.

- 20-year traffic volume increase expected
- Additional strain on transportation system without improvements
- Achieves NDOT's *Transportation Asset Management Plan* performance targets

Year	2026	2046
Vehicles Per Day	182,600	196,750
% of Heavy Trucks	7%	7%

SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed project would consist of improvements to an approximately 2.1-mile portion of I-80 and the encompassed bridges. Night work will be required.

Interstate Improvements:

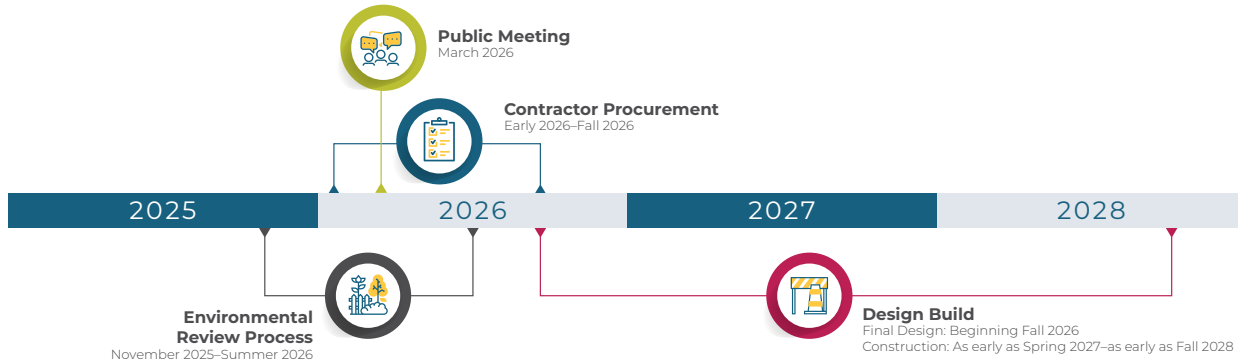
- Addition of a new lane on the westbound side from 36th Street to 50th Street
- Minimal widening on westbound I-80 from 36th Street to 50th Street to accommodate the new lane
- Removing and replacing pavement (including on interchange ramps)
- Lighting upgrades
- Curb and flume improvements
- Culvert work
- Bridge approach replacement

Bridge Improvements:

- Rehabilitation of the bridges over 50th Street
- Rehabilitation and westbound widening of the bridges over 42nd Street
- Repair of the bridge carrying 36th Street
- Repair of the bridge over Union Pacific Railroad near grain silos
- Repair of the bridge carrying 32nd Avenue

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE & ESTIMATED COST

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2027, with completion as early as fall of 2028. The cost of the proposed project is approximately \$60 million and would come from state and federal sources.



TRAFFIC ACCOMODATIONS

This project would be constructed primarily under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices. There would be closures of:

- Northbound US-75 flyover ramp to westbound I-80
- Ramps at 42nd Street
- The ramp at northbound 60th Street to eastbound I-80
- The 36th Street bridge

Consecutive eastbound I-80 on-ramps cannot be closed simultaneously. Local detour routes would be available utilizing adjacent roadways.

RIGHT-OF-WAY

The proposed project is not anticipated to require the acquisition of additional property rights.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS

The corridor is being evaluated for potential noise impacts, and the need for noise walls would be assessed for portions of the proposed project.

Due to bridge work, there would be temporary sidewalk access disruptions at:

- 50th Street
- 42nd Street
- 36th Street
- South Omaha Trail
- 32nd Avenue

Notice of access disruptions would be provided in advance of the impact. Pedestrian protection and accommodations would be provided when applicable.

DESIGN-BUILD APPROACH

The design-build approach involves the solicitation of a construction contractor earlier in the process, giving them the opportunity to collaborate with the engineer in the design process.

WHY DESIGN-BUILD?

The design-build approach presents an opportunity to optimize design decisions and construction, with opportunities for overall project cost savings. This helps the project move forward more efficiently and can reduce impacts to the traveling public.

FEEDBACK

Information regarding the proposed project will be available at www.ndot.info/22855.

Comments will be collected through April 3, 2026 and can be submitted on the project website or to:

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