

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

HIGHWAY PROJECT INFORMATION

NDOT PROJECT:

HSIP-81-4(130) Jct. US-81/N-12 Intersection; CN 32409

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently soliciting public input on the proposed improvements on the intersection of U.S. Highway 81 (US-81) and Nebraska Highway 12 (N-12) in Cedar County.

Identified as ***Jct. US-81/N-12 Intersection***, the proposed project would begin at approximately mile marker (MM) 193.94 on N-12 and would extend about .26 miles east to approximately MM 194.20. The project would also encompass US-81 beginning at approximately MM 205.31 and would extend about .27 miles north to approximately MM 205.58. Construction may begin and/or end approximately 2000 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning the pavement.

The purpose of this proposed project is to reduce the frequency and severity of crashes, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for roundabout installation on this project is based on crash trends present on this intersection of US-81 and N-12 that are deemed significant enough to warrant a mitigation strategy.

Proposed improvements would also consist of lighting, culvert work, curb and gutter/storm sewer. Reconstruction of the intersection into a roundabout would include removal and replacement of pavement. Grading would be required for the entire length of the project.

The proposed project would require the acquisition of additional property rights, which could include new right-of-way (ROW), control of access (CA), permanent easements (PE), and/or temporary easements (TE). If your property is impacted by this project, you will be contacted by a representative once the design footprint has been established. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements.

Wetland and/or other water resource impacts are anticipated and compensatory wetland mitigation may be required.

The majority of the project would be completed under traffic with the use of a temporary road; however, the west portion of N-12 would be temporarily closed due to roundabout construction. While the west portion of N-12 is temporarily closed, a designated detour would be provided utilizing US-81, Nebraska Highway 121 (N-121), and N-12.

Construction for the proposed project could begin as early as summer of 2027 and be completed by fall of 2027.

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding this proposed project. Materials can be provided in alternative languages or formats. Comments will be collected through March 19, 2026. Written comments or requests should be submitted to: AJ Raaska, Public Involvement Specialist, Nebraska Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; aj.raaska@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402) 479-4303, fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOT website at ndot.info/32409. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOT headquarters, 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE 68502. For further information contact Kevin Domogalla, NDOT District 3 Engineer, (402) 370-3470, kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov.