November 2026

NOTICE OF HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

N-59 to N-84

NH-81-4(129); CN 32393

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is proposing a highway improvement project, identified as ***N-59 to N-84***. The proposed project would improve approximately 10.28 miles of U.S. Highway 81 (US-81) and Nebraska Highway 84 (N-84) in Cedar County.

The project on US-81 would begin near the intersection of US-81 and N-59 and extend about 0.10 miles north of the intersection of US-81 with N-84. The project area of N-84 would begin near the junction of US-81 and N-84 and extend east for about 0.10 miles. Construction may begin and/or end approximately 500 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning of the pavement.

The proposed improvements would add new passing lanes along US-81. Additional improvements would include culvert work, resurfacing the roadway, and paved shoulders with new asphalt. The project would replace a bridge over Bow Creek and a bridge over Norwegian Bow Creek. An additional bridge over Norwegian Bow Creek would be repaired.

Local traffic would be detoured at the intersections of 877th Road, 878th Road, and 881st Road during the passing lane construction on US-81. The detours would only be in place while work is occurring at each location and would not last for the entire construction period. The public will be notified prior to the start of construction about the detour phasing and duration(s).

- 877th Road detour would be provided going west on 877th Road, south on 553rd Avenue, and east on 876th Road to US-81.
- 878th Road detour would be provided going west on 878th Road, north of 553rd Avenue, and east on 879th Road to US-81.
- 881st Road detour would be provided going east on 881st Road and north on 556th Avenue to N-84.

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.

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

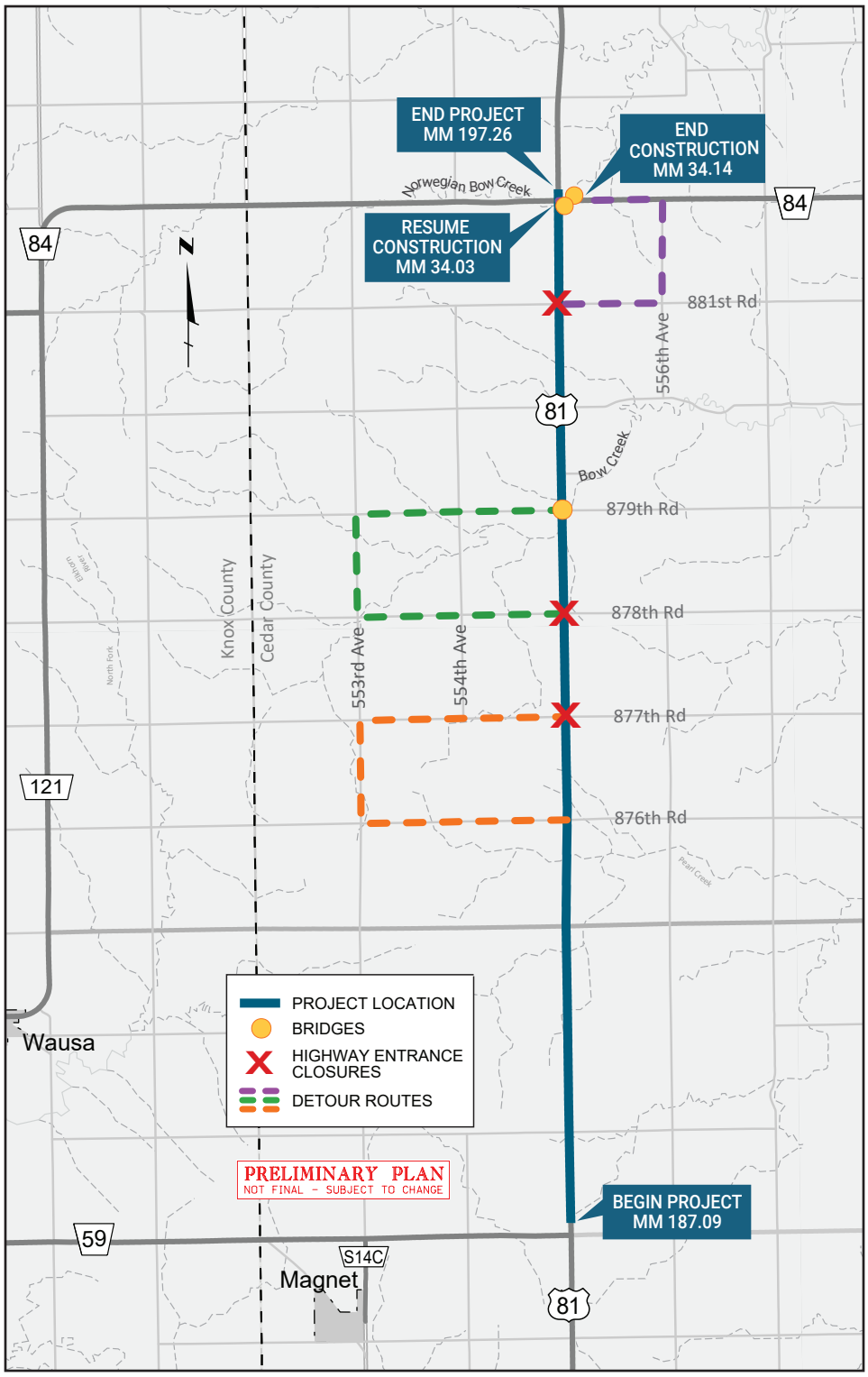
Construction may begin as early as spring of 2028 and be completed in the fall of 2029.

NDOT has worked to develop this project with consideration for the surrounding community. We remain committed to improving Nebraska's highway system and value public input throughout the process.

Any questions or comments regarding this project 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; telephone 402-479-4303, fax 402-479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed projects will be made available on the NDOT website at ndot.info/32393. 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 contact Kevin Domogalla, NDOT District 3 Engineer, 402-370-3470, kevin.domogalla@nebraska.gov.

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