

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

HIGHWAY PROJECT INFORMATION

NDOT PROJECTS:

STP-50-1(116) Pawnee City Southeast Resurfacing; C.N. 11895A
STP-50-1(117) Pawnee City Southeast Bridges; C.N. 11895B

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently soliciting public input on the proposed improvements of Nebraska Highway 8 (N-8) and Nebraska Highway 50 (N-50) in Pawnee County.

Identified as Pawnee City Southeast Resurfacing and Pawnee City Southeast Bridges, the proposed projects would improve approximately 8.83 miles of N-8 and 3.52 miles N-50, including three bridges.

Both projects would start at approximately mile marker (MM) 0.00, or the Nebraska/Kansas State Line, and extend north on N-50 to about MM 3.52, or the N-8/N-50 junction. The proposed projects would continue north and west on N-8, from approximately MM 123.39 at the junction of N-8/N-50, to about MM 114.47, or the east edge of the corporate limits of Pawnee City. Construction for both projects may begin and/or end approximately 200 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning the pavement.

The purpose of these proposed projects is to preserve the N-8 and N-50 transportation assets, improve the reliability of the transportation system, and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for these proposed projects is based on the current condition of the roadway and bridges.

The proposed improvements for the Pawnee City Southeast Resurfacing project would consist of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway with asphalt. The proposed improvements for the Pawnee City Southeast Bridges project would consist of replacing three bridges; the bridge over Dry Branch Creek (Structure Number S008 12067), the bridge on the N-50 segment over an unnamed creek (Structure Number S050 00028), and the bridge over Lores Branch Creek (Structure Number S050 00179) and adding approaches to the structures. Additional work for both projects would include culvert replacements, guardrail work, grading, and concrete pavement repairs.

The proposed projects 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 these projects, 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.

Work would be required in the waterway for the bridge replacements of bridges. Wetland and channel impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated as necessary.

Construction for the proposed projects could begin as early as spring of 2023 and be complete by winter of 2024.

The majority of these projects would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices; however, a detour would be required for a portion of N-50 due to the bridge replacements near the Nebraska/Kansas State Line. A designated detour would be provided and would utilize N-8, US Highway 75 (US-75), US Highway 36 (US-36), and Kansas Highway 63 (K-63). An alternate route for local traffic would be available for the bridge replacements utilizing 704 Road, 626 Avenue, and 703 Road. **Local road access would be maintained for both project areas**

The public is being encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding the proposed projects. Materials can be provided in alternative languages or formats. Si usted necesita interpretación o traducción de los materiales del proyecto, comuníquese con la División de Comunicación de NDOT. Comments will be collected through May 20, 2022. Written comments or requests should be submitted to: Tony Bui, Public Involvement Manager, Nebraska Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; tony.bui@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402) 479-4994, fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed projects will be made available on the NDOT website at ndot.info/11895. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOT Headquarters, 1500 Hwy 2, Lincoln, NE. For further information, contact Thomas Goodbarn, NDOT District 1 Engineer, (402) 471-0850, thomas.goodbarn@nebraska.gov.