



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE
AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

AGRICULTURAL IMPACT STATEMENT ADDENDUM

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**STH 29: Shawano to Green Bay
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
WisDOT ID#: 9200-10-00
Brown County**

I. INTRODUCTION

On February 4, 2015, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) published the Agricultural Impact Statement (AIS) titled State Trunk Highway (STH) 29: County Trunk Highway (CTH) U to Woodland Road (DATCP ID# 3748).¹ The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has since modified the design, mainly removing the proposed overpasses of STH 29 at CTH U and North Pine Tree Road. Refinements to local connections were also made to provide more efficient and safe traffic flow by connecting Overland Drive to CTH VV. See Figure 1 for a map of the proposed changes to the STH 29 and CTH VV intersection.

As a result of these modifications, changes were made in the proposed acquisitions of farmland for this project. These changes are listed in the following table.

Landowner	2019 Proposed Acquisitions (acres)	2015 Proposed Acquisitions (acres)	Change (acres)
James and Sandra Kropp	4.29	5.02	-0.73
Joseph and Mary Brusky	6.06	5.97	0.09
Rory and Kelly Malloy, formerly Malloy Trust (Sandra Malloy)	6.8	12.57	-5.77
Robert and Kathleen McAllister	8.14	13.39	-5.25
Howard and Frances Seligman	0.22	0.46	-0.24
Hilgenberg Sturgul Inc	16.23	15.90	0.33
David Lewis	10.64	7.07	3.57
Packerland Properties and Investment Company LLC	0	0.69	-0.69
MEJ Corporation	0	3.51	-3.51
Devley Seven LLC - Roger and Kathleen Deviley	0	1.52	-1.52
TOTAL	52.38	66.10	-9.08

¹ This project was previously designed under WisDOT Project ID: 9200-06-00, STH 29: CTH U to Woodland Road, and is now being designed under WisDOT Project ID: 9200-10-00, STH 29: Shawano to Green Bay.

II. AGRICULTURAL IMPACTS

One of the affected farmland owners will have more land acquired for the highway project. The proposed acquisition from David Lewis was 7.07 acres and is now 10.64 acres of land. The impacts to the Lewis property include the loss of cropland, severance of land, and potential damage to drainage.

DATCP staff phoned Mr. Lewis, but he declined to comment on the project or its revisions.

The primary soils that will be affected by construction of the Overland Drive to CTH VV connection are:

- Onaway-Ossineke fine sandy loam, moraine, 1 to 6% slopes, prime if drained
- Ossineke fine sandy loam, 0 to 2% slopes, prime if drained
- Onaway fine sandy loam, moraine, 6 to 12% slopes-eroded, not prime

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

DATCP continues to support all of the recommendations that were made in the original AIS. They are as follows:

- To address potential drainage problems that may occur as a result of the project, project officials should discuss design and construction plans with the Brown County land conservationist during the design process for this project.
- The county land conservationist should also be consulted to ensure that construction proceeds in a manner that minimizes crop damage, soil compaction, and soil erosion on adjacent farmland.
- Landowners and operators should be given advanced notice of acquisition and construction schedules so that farm activities can be adjusted accordingly. To the extent feasible, the timing of the acquisition and construction should be coordinated with the landowners and operators to minimize crop damage and disruption of farm operations.
- WisDOT should consult with the landowner whose current and future access to farmland is affected. Where access is relocated or a new access point provided, WisDOT should consult with the affected landowner(s) to ensure that the new or altered access point is in a safe location for efficient farm use.
- Current farm operators should be allowed to continue farming land acquired for the proposed project until it is needed for construction as long as there is adequate time to complete the growing season and harvest the crops.

Copies of the original AIS for this project or this addendum are available on the DATCP website at datcp.wi.gov and search for AIS. At the AIS home page look under, "Other Current Projects."

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Figure 1: Proposed Changes to the STH 29 and CTH VV Intersection

