

NOTICE OF BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

NDOT Projects:

NH-480-9(11) I-480 Missouri River Bridge, Omaha; C.N. 22807

NH-480-9(5) 12th St - Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha; C.N. 22703

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently soliciting public input on the proposed federal-aid transportation improvement projects on Interstate 480 (I-480) in Douglas County, Nebraska and Pottawattamie County, Iowa.

Identified as ***I-480 Missouri River Bridge, Omaha and 12th St – Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha***, the proposed projects would improve approximately 1.0 mile of I-480.

The ***I-480 Missouri River Bridge, Omaha*** project would begin at approximately MM 3.98, in Nebraska, and would include the full length of Structure Number (SN) S480 00413, to approximately MM 0.25, in Iowa. Work would include bridge repairs, superstructure painting, adding a bridge drainage system, minor electrical repairs, and updating lighting. Work may begin and/or end approximately 500 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate bridge work.

The ***12th St – Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha*** project would consist of painting exterior girders on several structures along I-480 from approximately mile marker (MM) 3.35 to approximately MM 3.98. Work may begin and/or end approximately 500 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate bridge work.

The purpose of the projects is to preserve the transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for the projects is based on the current condition of the existing bridges and roadways.

The proposed projects would not require the acquisition of additional property rights. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements. The Lewis & Clark Trail is located within the project area, but no impacts are anticipated. No wetland and/or other water resource impacts are anticipated.

Construction of the ***I-480 Missouri River Bridge, Omaha*** project is tentatively scheduled to begin as early as fall 2024 and be completed by fall 2026. The ***12th Street - Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha*** project is tentatively scheduled to begin in fall 2024, with anticipated completion by fall 2025.

The projects would be constructed primarily under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices; however, work on both projects would require multiple extended closures of Exit 4 (westbound ramp to Dodge Street). A designated detour would be provided utilizing Exit 3 to 14th Street. The Iowa Riverfront Trail would be closed under I-480 for approximately 21 days to accommodate traffic. A designated detour would be provided utilizing the River Edge Services Road Trail.

The ***12th St – Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha*** project would also require local traffic under I-480 to be detoured onto local roads or experience lane closures to accommodate work. Pedestrian traffic may be detoured to adjacent sidewalks or maintained with temporary protective covers.

In addition, the **12th St – Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha** project would now require a detour at the eastbound (EB) 14th Street on-ramp; the detour route provided would utilize N 14th Street and Douglas Street (US-6). Two closures would also be required on 8th Street; detour routes would be provided for both closures utilizing Capitol Avenue, S 10th Street, and Farnam Street. The 8th Street closures would not occur at the same time.

The **12th St – Missouri River Bridge Painting, Omaha** project would also require local traffic under I-480 to be detoured onto local roads or experience lane closures to accommodate work. Pedestrian traffic may be detoured to adjacent sidewalks or maintained with temporary protective covers.

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding the additional detour routes. Comments will be collected through **April 26, 2024**. Materials can be provided in alternative languages or formats. To ask questions or to submit comments, please contact Sierra Luhn, Public Involvement Specialist, Nebraska Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; sierra.luhn@nebraska.gov; voice telephone 402-479-3103; fax 402-479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed projects can be found on NDOT's website at ndot.info/22807. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact below or at NDOT Headquarters, 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE 68502. For further information, contact Tom Goodbarn, NDOT District 2 Engineer, 402-595-2534, thomas.goodbarn@nebraska.gov.