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Public comment period for Connections 2030 plan ends August 31

The final public comment period for Wisconsin's multi-modal Connections 2030 transportation plan is underway now through August 31. Public hearings on the plan are set for next month in Milwaukee (Aug. 11), Madison (Aug. 12), Appleton (Aug. 13), Stevens Point (Aug. 19) and Eau Claire (Aug. 20). At the end of the comment period, any final revisions will be made before presenting the plan to the WisDOT Secretary for adoption. The long-range transportation plan identifies a series of policies that will aid transportation decision-makers when evaluating programs and projects. More information on the public meetings and the Connections 2030 plan can be found on the WisDOT Web site at: www.wiconnections2030.gov.

Sign owners with delinquent fees receiving WisDOT notices

Owners of outdoor advertising signs in Wisconsin who are delinquent in the payment of required fees can expect a letter from WisDOT. The letters, mailed July 24, ask sign owners to either pay the required fee, explain why they should be exempted, or face removal of their signs. While most sign owners are abiding by laws and paying required fees, WisDOT is sending notices to the 763 owners of some 1,277 signs for which fees currently remain unpaid. More info can be found at: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/opencms/export/nr/modules/news/news_1495.html_786229440.html.

DMV customer service centers closed August 7

As part of the furlough implementation process for state employees, all DMV customer service centers, phone centers and central office services will be closed on Friday, August 7. DMV customers are reminded that a variety of business can be conducted on the DMV Web site at www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/online.htm.

LRIP summer training workshops cancelled

Based on input received at recent public hearings on a state administrative rule (Trans 206), WisDOT is reassessing guidance for the 2010-2011 Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) cycle. As a result, all LRIP training workshops scheduled for this summer have been cancelled and will not be rescheduled. This is not expected to cause delays in the LRIP project application process. WisDOT will be in contact with stakeholder associations when additional details regarding guidance are available. More info can be found at: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/localgov/highways/lrip.htm.

Wisconsin State Fair August 6 - 16

The annual Wisconsin State Fair is set for August 6 – 16 in West Allis. A WisDOT fair booth will provide general transportation safety information, and highlight construction projects along the I-94 north-south corridor (www.plan94.org) and US 41 (www.US41Wisconsin.gov).

Coming up

July 24 – August 31, final public comment period on Connections 2030 transportation plan.
August 19 – 20, Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety, Appleton.

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