



Highway 56 Reconstruction

Agenda

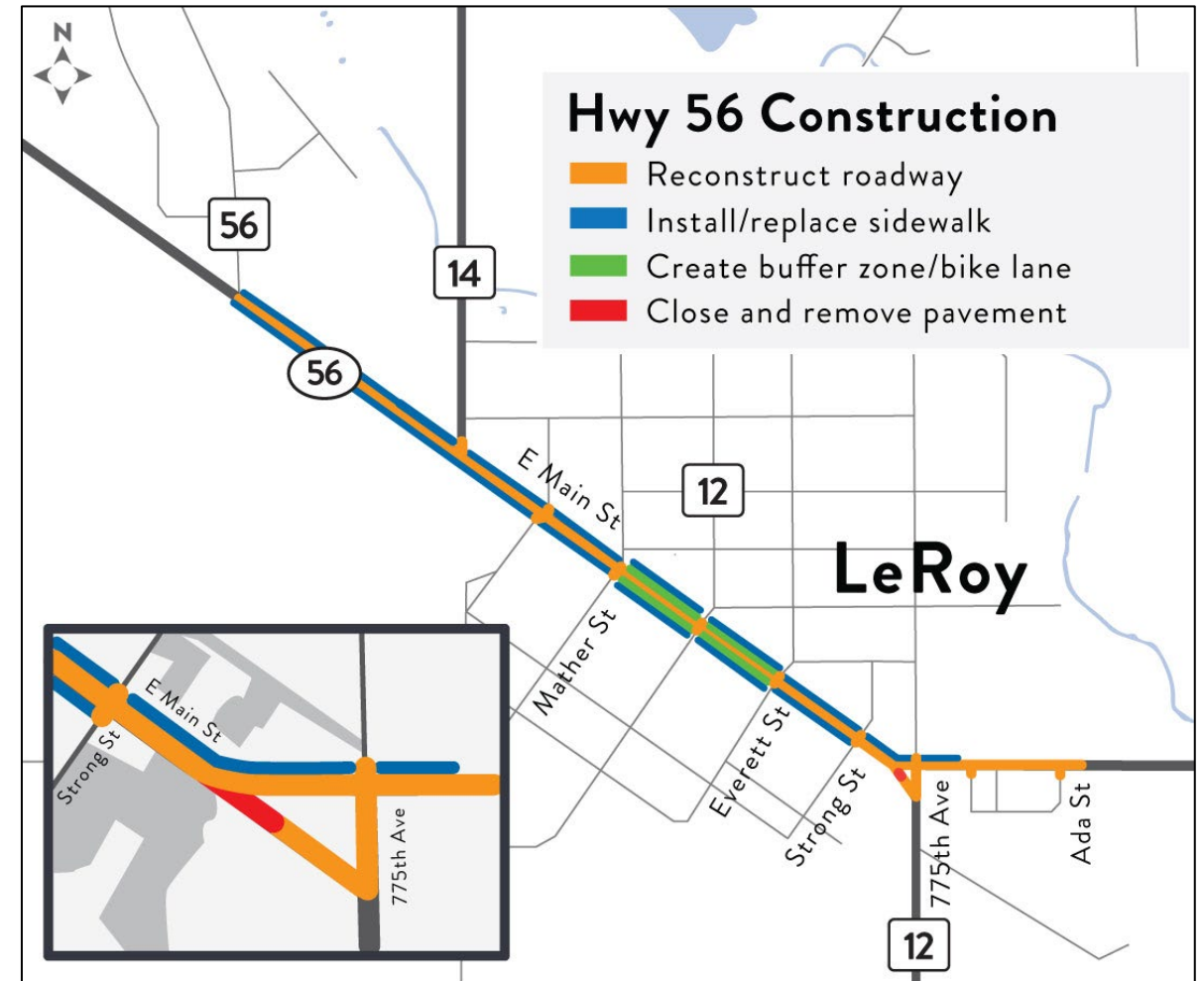
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Introduction

Starting in spring 2024, MnDOT will reconstruct a 1.2-mile stretch of Hwy 56 in LeRoy to improve the roadway for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists.

During this presentation, we will cover:

- Why this work is being done
- Updates on the project staging, tree removal and lighting
- Project timeline



Background



- Hwy 56 is an important roadway in LeRoy. Approximately 2,500 motorists travel on it each day.
- Hwy 56 needs improvements to:
 - Restore the life of the aging pavement
 - Improve drainage
 - Enhance student crosswalk safety
 - Make pedestrian improvements to meet current accessibility standards

Background

As part of this project, MnDOT will do the following:

- Reconfigure the Mower County Road 12, Hwy 56 and Main St. E. intersection to improve safety
- Create a buffer zone between traffic and parking from Mather St. to Everett St. for biking

The city will replace sanitary sewer and water main utilities. MnDOT and the city will replace the stormwater, and make aesthetic updates like lighting and sidewalk design.



Staging

Construction will happen in two phases:

- The **first phase** will be the west half of the project.
- The **second phase** will be the east half.

Detours will be needed during construction. Two detours will be used, one for each phase.

A public information officer will be available throughout construction. They will be available to answer business and resident questions.

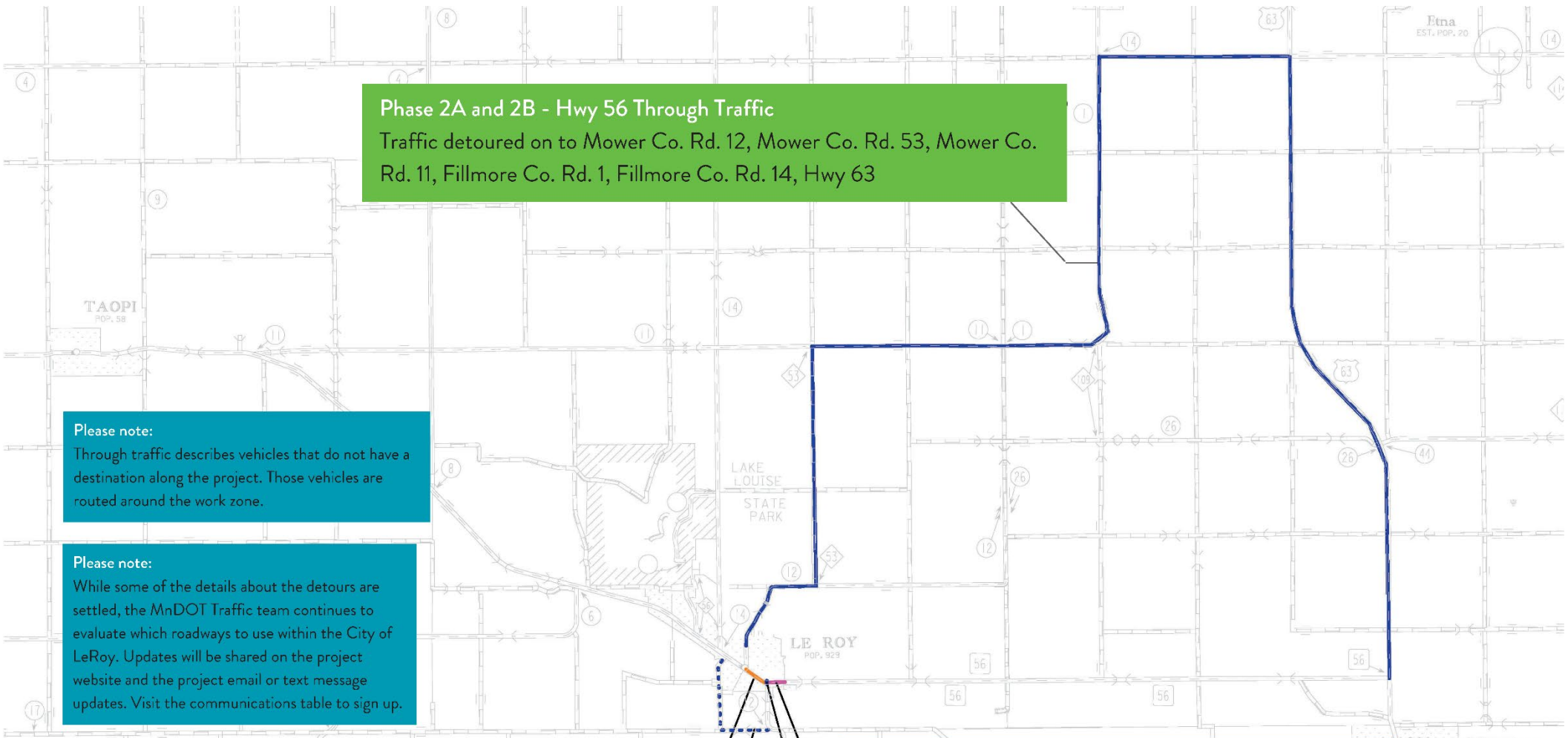
MnDOT will have more details once the construction contractor is selected. The public will have an opportunity to meet the contractor at a public meeting prior to construction.



Phase 1 - Hwy 56 Through Traffic
Mower Co. Rd. 11, Mower Co. Rd. 53, Mower Co. Rd. 12

Phase 1 Work Zone
Work zone west of Co. Rd. 56 to Broadway Ave.

Please note:
Through traffic describes vehicles that do not have a destination along the project. Those vehicles are routed around the workzone.



Phase 2A and 2B - Hwy 56 Through Traffic
 Traffic detoured on to Mower Co. Rd. 12, Mower Co. Rd. 53, Mower Co. Rd. 11, Fillmore Co. Rd. 1, Fillmore Co. Rd. 14, Hwy 63

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Please note:
 While some of the details about the detours are settled, the MnDOT Traffic team continues to evaluate which roadways to use within the City of LeRoy. Updates will be shared on the project website and the project email or text message updates. Visit the communications table to sign up.

Phase 2B Work Zone
 From E. County Rd. to Broadway Ave.

Phase 2A Work Zone
 From east of Ada St. to E. County Rd.

Phase 2B - Mower Co. Rd. 12 Through Traffic
 Traffic detoured on to State Line Rd., West County Rd., West St.

Phase 2A - Mower Co. Rd. 12 Through Traffic
 No traffic detour. Vehicles will use part of the existing Y-intersection to maneuver through the intersection.

Tree removal

Trees will need to be removed along Hwy 56. The trees will not survive the deep excavation needed for the city utility replacements.

Selected trees along Hwy 56 will need to be removed ahead of construction beginning the fall of 2023.

- Many trees are located on MnDOT right-of-way.
- Select trees are located on private property. MnDOT will coordinate with affected property owners.
- Contact Cindy Morgan with any questions.



Aesthetic updates

City chose to install a standard continuous lighting system.

Stamped and colored concrete is being considered for the boulevard, the curb to the sidewalk, within the two-block downtown area.

Questions?

Contact City Engineer Brian Johnson

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*Example of a cobra streetlamp.
Exact light, color and shape may vary.*

Utility replacement

Questions about sanitary sewer or
watermain utilities?

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Timeline



Late Summer 2023: Construction contractor selected



Fall 2023: Tree clearing work begins



Spring 2024: Road construction scheduled to begin



Fall 2024: Road construction scheduled to end



2025 (tentative): Additional landscaping work

Questions?