



# News Release

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### **WisDOT seeking comment on Wikdal Park impacts in city of Washburn** *Permanent and temporary acquisition of parkland part of WIS 13 project in Bayfield County*

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is seeking public comment on impacts to Wikdal Park as part of a proposed concrete replacement project on WIS 13 in the Bayfield County city of Washburn.

The proposed project would permanently convert 0.005 acre of existing park property into WIS 13 highway right of way. This strip of parkland is located on the south side of the park abutting WIS 13. This permanent conversion is necessary to accommodate construction of the new sidewalk and associated Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant curb ramps.

In addition, an area of varied dimension from approximately 4.5 feet to 7.5 feet of width along the south border of Wikdal Park also will be acquired temporarily for the new sidewalk and associated ADA curb ramp construction. Landscaping and finishing activities will also be completed to fully restore the property to its original condition as part of the activities associated with the temporary limited easement.

Go to <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/nw/wis13washburn/default.aspx> for more information.

Comments on the impacts to Wikdal Park are being accepted through Friday, March 24, by:

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Construction on the segment of WIS 13 from Thompson Creek to Washington Avenue is scheduled to begin in spring 2024.

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