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2026 Utility Meeting

Washington County Public Works

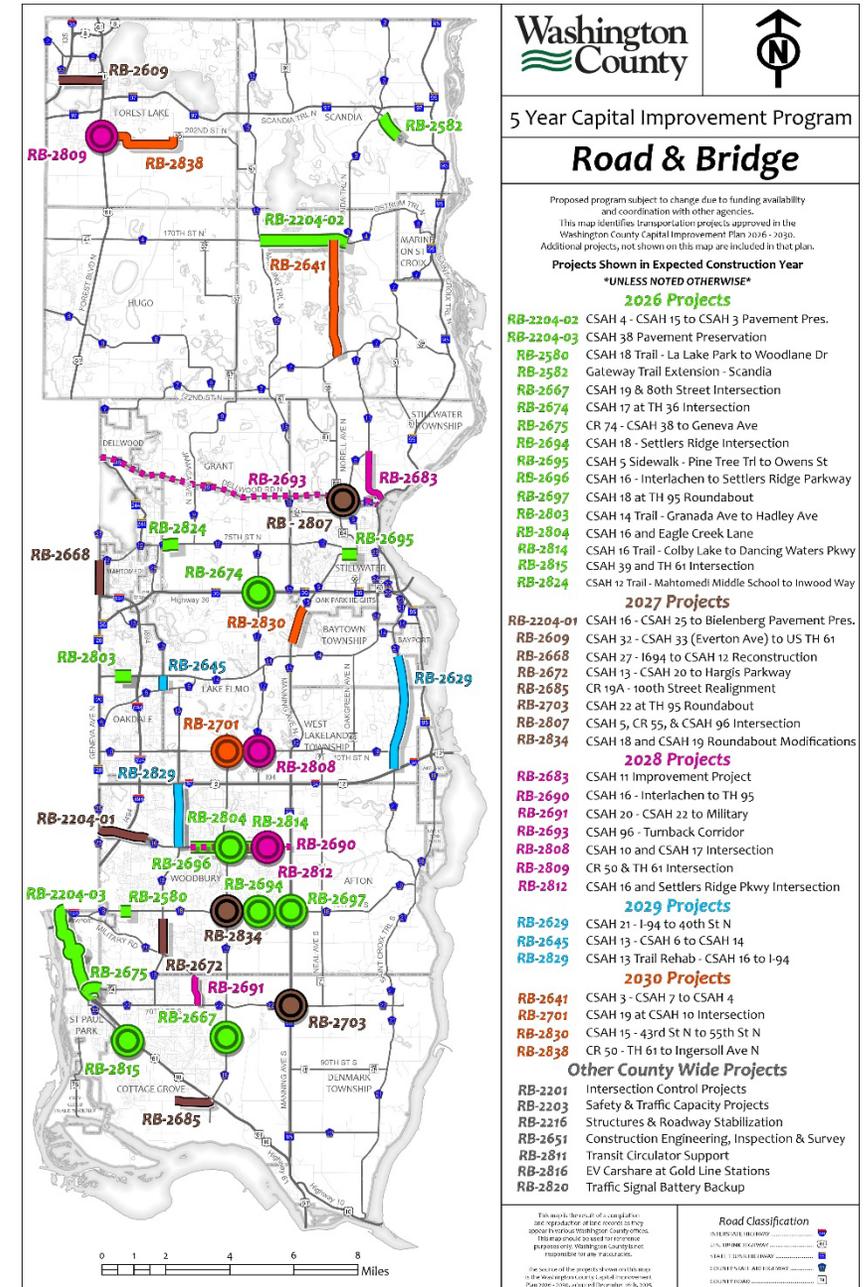
March 4, 2026

2026 Utility Meeting

- 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan
- Washington County Construction Projects
- Requirements for Working in ROW
 - Alternate Pedestrian Routes
 - Permit Requirements
- Questions, Comments, & Concerns

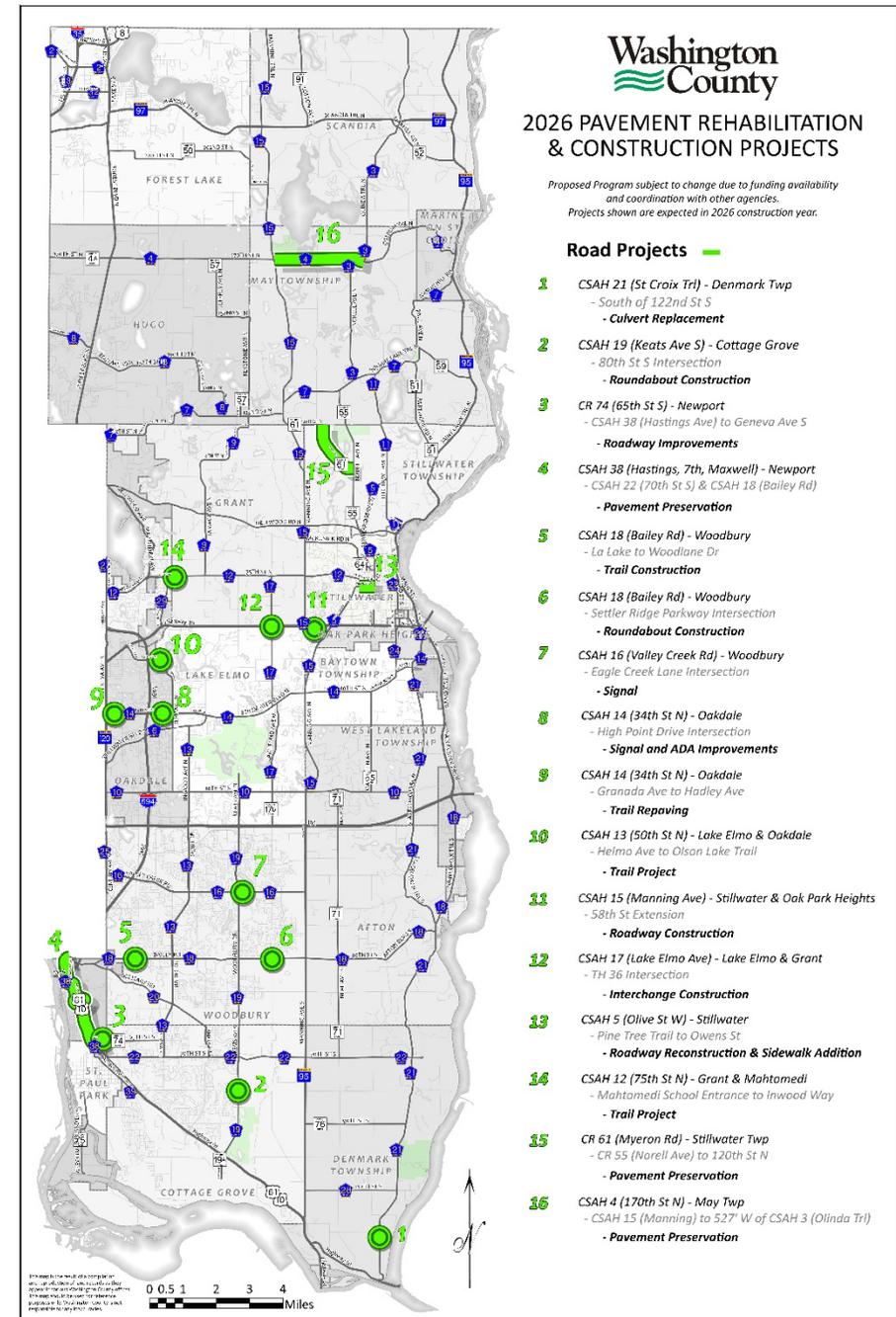
5 Year Capital Improvement Plan

- Pavement Resurfacing
 - 12+ Projects
- Highway Construction
 - 15+ Projects
- Trail Construction/Resurfacing
 - 6+ Projects
- Intersection Improvement
 - 10+ Projects
- Utility improvements/upgrades planned in these locations? Let us know!



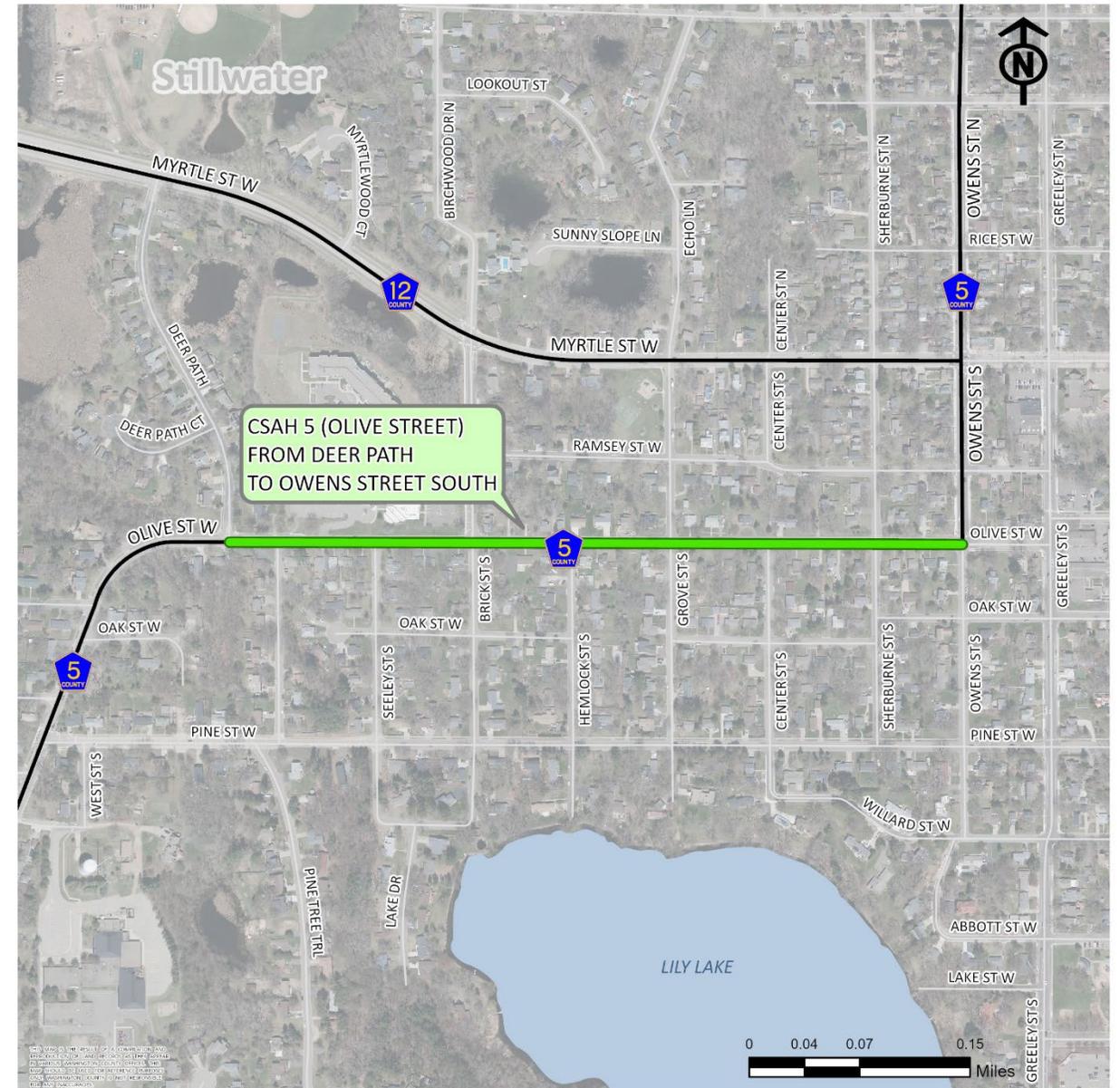
2026 Construction Projects

- Pavement Resurfacing
 - 2 Projects
- Highway Construction/Intersection
 - 8 Projects
- Trail Projects
 - 4 Project



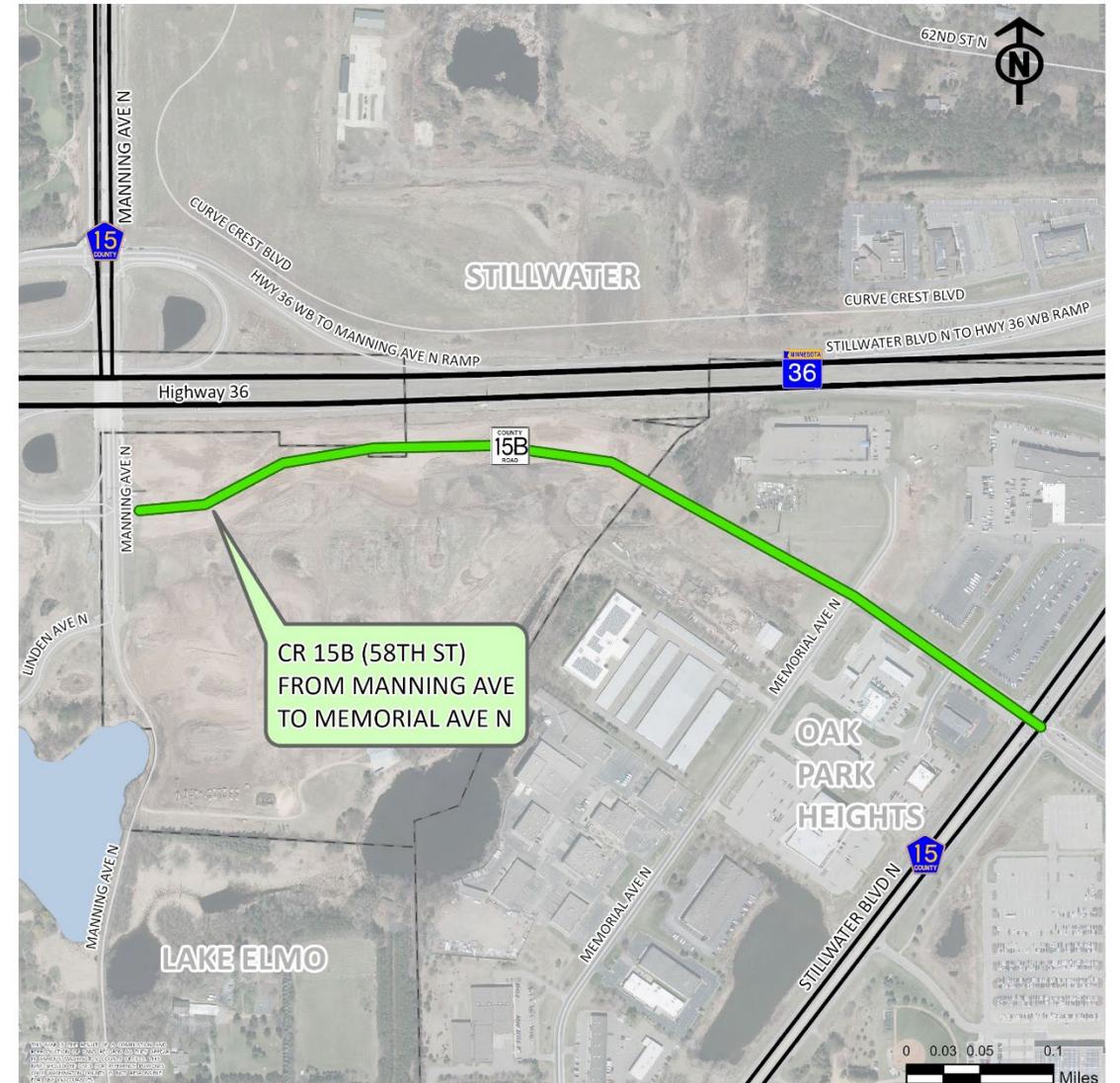
County Highway 5

- City of Stillwater
- Olive St- from Deer Path to Owens St
- Road reconstruction, drainage, narrow road to add new sidewalk, curb & gutter, ADA improvements
- 2026 Construction
- Andrew Giesen: 651-430-4336, andrew.giesen@washingtoncountymn.gov



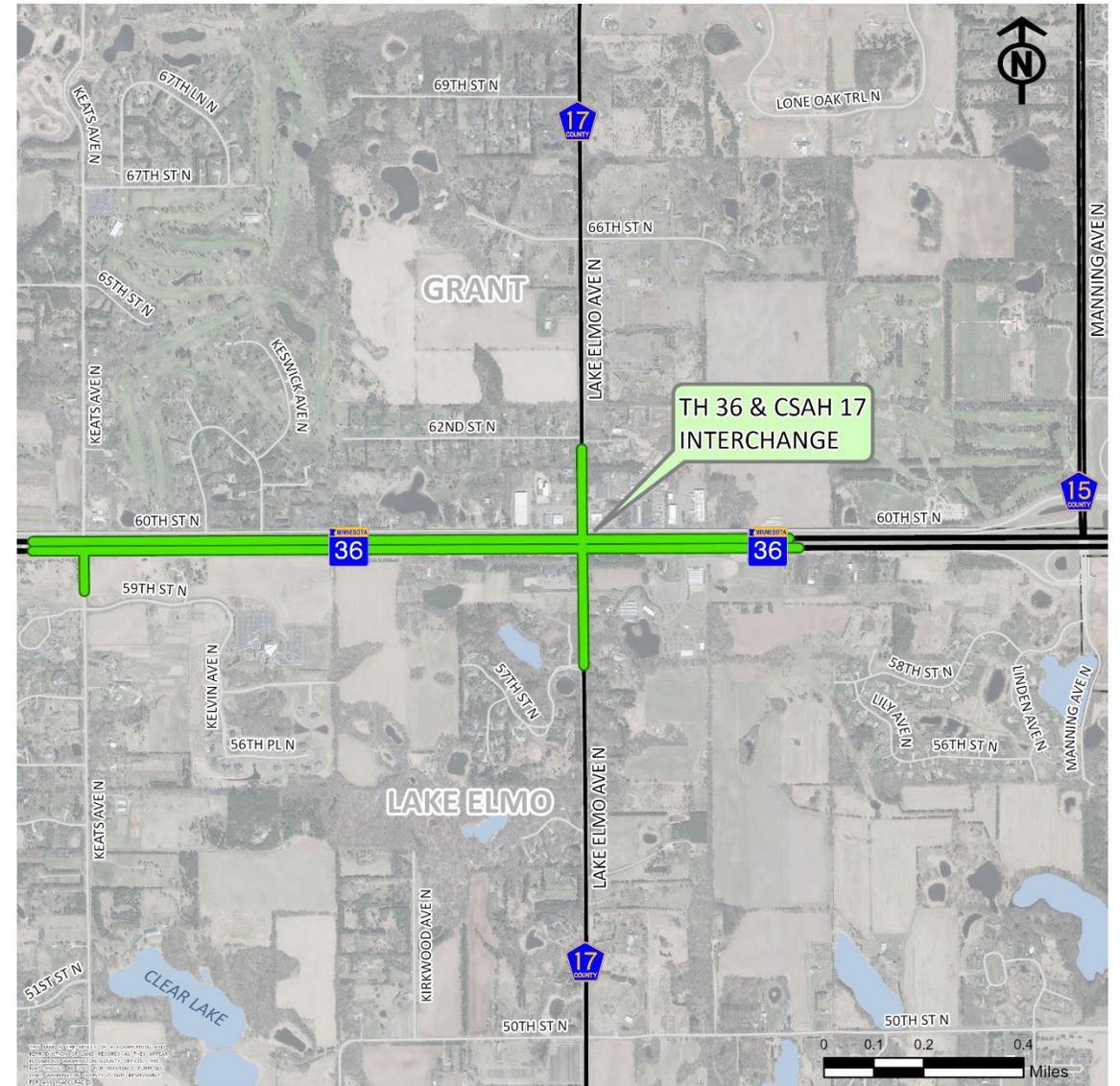
County Road 15B

- City of Oak Park Heights
- 58th St- from TH 36 to County Hwy 15 (Stillwater Blvd)
- New road construction with drainage, curb & gutter, sidewalk/trail, and traffic signal
- 2026 Construction
- Ryan Hoefs: 651-430-4314, ryan.hoefs@washingtoncountymn.gov



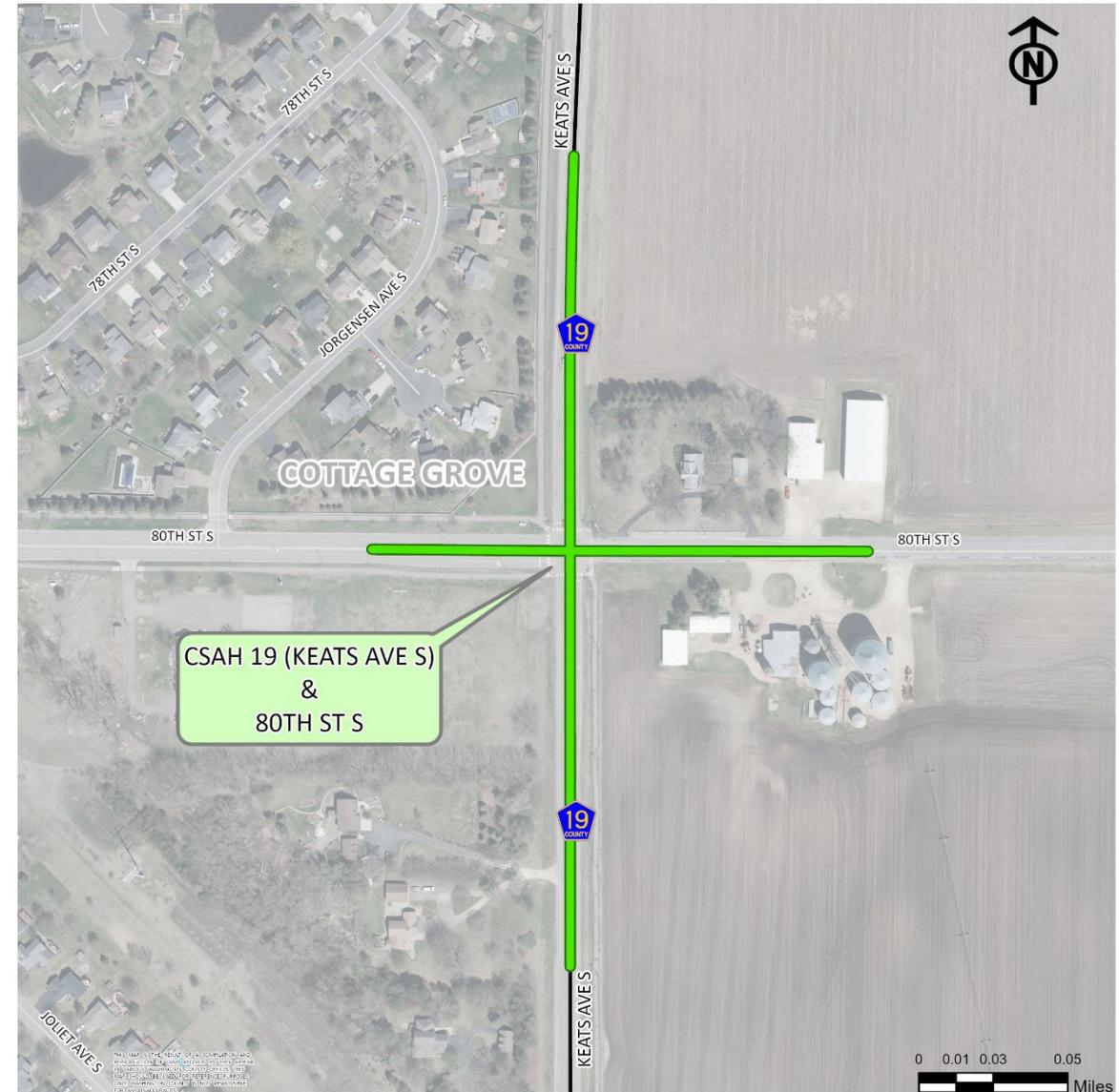
County Highway 17/ TH 36

- Cities of Lake Elmo and Grant
- Highway 36 and Lake Elmo Ave intersection
- Grade separated intersection, construct new south frontage road, reconstruct north frontage road, elevate Highway 36 to pass over Highway 17
- 2026- 2027 Construction
- Andrew Giesen: 651-430-4336, andrew.giesen@washingtoncountymn.gov



County Highway 19/ 80th St

- City of Cottage Grove
- Convert intersection to roundabout including drainage, approaches, curb & gutter, and concrete pavement
- 2026 Construction
- Erin Blaylock: 651-430-4384, erin.blaylock@washingtoncountymn.gov



County Road 74

- City of Cottage Grove
- 65th St- from Hastings Ave to Geneva Ave
- Reconstruct and realign roadway including profile changes, curb & gutter, and drainage
- 2026 Construction
- Mike Kline: 651-430-4304,
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Major 2027 Projects

- 1. County Highway 16– Woodbury**
Highway 25 to Bielenberg- Pavement Preservation
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- 2. County Highway 32- Forest Lake**
Highway 32 to Highway 61- Reconstruction
Ryan Hoefs: 651-430-4314,
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- 3. County Highway 27- Mahtomedi**
I-694 to Highway 12- Reconstruction
Erin Blaylock: 651-430-4384,
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- 4. County Highway 13– Woodbury**
Highway 20 to Hargis Parkway- Reconstruction
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- 5. County Highway 19a– Cottage Grove**
100th Street Realignment
Ryan Hoefs: 651-430-4314,
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- 6. County Highways 5, 55, and 96 – Stillwater**
Reconstruct intersections
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Additional Project Information

County's 5-yr Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Website: <https://www.washingtoncountymn.gov/1257/Capital-Improvement-Plan>

Current and Future Construction Project Webpages

Website: <https://www.washingtoncountymn.gov/474/Transportation-Projects>

Requirements for Working in ROW

- Right of Way Permits are required for:
 - Utility installations (including private sewer and water connections)
 - Utility companies performing maintenance on their facilities
 - Placing temporary structures or containers
 - Grading/excavating/boring in ROW
 - Tree/brush removal
 - Work which obstructs ROW (including roadway, trails, and sidewalks)
- ** This includes work for construction projects and emergencies *****
- County transportation permits are also required for oversized/overweight vehicles. Permit fees are not waived for OS/OW vehicles that are involved in construction projects.

Requirements for Working in ROW

Alternate Pedestrian Route

- When crosswalks, sidewalks, trails, or other pedestrian facilities are blocked or closed, a pedestrian detour or TPAR (temporary pedestrian access route) is required.
- Plan shall be submitted for review with the permit application.
- If a closure becomes necessary during the course of your work, you are to stop and notify the County immediately to ensure that proper traffic control is in place prior project continuation.

***** This includes work for construction projects and emergencies *****

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Applying for a permit

- Applicant/Contractor must be registered with Washington County
 - One-time registration, or updated if contact information changes
 - Certificate of Liability Insurance (Accord 25) Washington County as Additional Insured
- Application submitted at least 30 days prior to road closure, or at least 14 days prior to activity not requiring road closure
- Permit must be approved by the County prior to work beginning
- Consider traffic impact when submitting application
 - MN MUTCD Temporary Traffic Control Field Manual Layouts may be used for work done for up to 3 days.
 - Otherwise, a custom Traffic Control Plan will need to be submitted.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Applying for a permit

- ROW Permit Application & Requirements Sheet (2 pages, signed and dated)
 - Location map
 - Sketches/Plans
 - Traffic Control Plan and/or TPAR
- Permit fee, as set by the county board. This fee covers the typical staff time to review a permit, issue approval conditions, and perform field inspection(s).
 - Permit fees are due prior to permit issued unless arrangements have been made for a check payment to be submitted within 30 days. Card payments are accepted.
 - Per County ordinance – permit fee is doubled if work is performed prior to permit approval – permit fee is not waived in this situation, even if it is directed by the County as part of a construction project.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Applying for a permit

- Permit timeframe and duration
 - Permits are generally approved for no more than 6 months. Please do not list an end date out one year unless the work warrants longer, or a reasonable exception is provided to request an extended end date.
 - The duration field may not be left blank; please indicate how long the work is expected once the project begins, even if there is no traffic impact.
- No work may occur outside of the start and end dates on the permit.
 - Contact Washington County to request a revision/extension.
 - If construction has not been completed within one year of permit approval date, the permit becomes null and void, unless another permit has been approved, or a permit extension has been requested prior to one year from permit approval date.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Applying for a permit

- Emergency Situations
 - “Emergency” means a condition that (1) poses danger to life or health, or of a significant loss of property; or (2) requires immediate repair or replacement of facilities in order to restore service to customers.
 - Permits are required for emergency situations, per county highway ordinance.
 - Notify the county highway inspector of any event considered to be an emergency.
 - Proceed to take whatever actions are necessary to respond to the emergency.
- Permit Requirements
 - Within two business days after the occurrence of the emergency, apply for the necessary permits, pay the fees associated therewith, and fulfill the rest of the requirements.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Temporary Traffic Control

- Contact County Inspector a minimum of 2 business days before beginning work
 - Assuming the permit has already been approved!
- Installation of traffic control devices, signs, etc. shall be in accordance with MnDOT Temporary Traffic Control Field Manual
- Temporary Pedestrian Access Routes shall be maintained for the duration of the project.
- Temporary traffic control devices/layouts shall be inspected to include documentation. Please note that inspections include weekends and holidays.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Traffic Control

- Traffic control devices are to be removed no later than 7 days following the project completion.
- For projects with idle periods exceeding 7 days, device removal is required until work resumes.
- Traffic control devices left on site and unattended for more than 7 days following project completion may be removed and impounded by the County.
- Potential fees for device removal may be assessed via the County's ROW ordinance or state statutes.
- Devices may be recycled at the County's discretion.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Excavation and Backfill/Pavement

- Saw cut pavement for all excavations – full lane width seam to seam.
- Extend pavement removal beyond excavation limits to ensure that any undermining issues are addressed.
- Uneven or depressed pavement resulting from the work is not acceptable and will require corrective measures by permittee at their expense.
- Remove all debris from roadway and sidewalks/trails immediately; please ensure that the proper cleanup equipment is on site.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit Requirements – Erosion Control and Turf Restoration

- Disturbed areas must be restored within 7 days
- Restoration shall match or exceed pre-existing conditions (Sod may be required)
- Work taking place concurrently with a construction project requires erosion control and restoration in accordance with the MPCA NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit and the Project SWPPP
- Temporary asphalt “cold patch” will require removal as soon as temperatures allow. At that time, please ensure full width restoration is achieved – from seam to seam. Notify county inspector prior to that work.

Requirements for Working in ROW

ROW Permit (Sparky) Requirements – Other considerations

- It is the responsibility of the contractor to notify Gopher State One Call for utility locations for any work being performed within the County right-of-way, and to obtain all other necessary permits.
- An approved County permit does not cover work performed within right-of-way that is under the jurisdiction of other agencies.

Requirements for Working in ROW

Washington County ROW Permit Information and Application:

<https://www.co.washington.mn.us/486/Permits>

2018 Minnesota Temporary Traffic Control Field Manual (Section 6K of the Minnesota Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices)

<https://www.dot.state.mn.us/trafficeng/publ/fieldmanual/index.html>

MPCA NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit:

www.pca.state.mn.us/water/construction-stormwater

Requirements for Working in ROW

Washington County Contacts

- ROW Permits
 - Jennifer Oehler, Permit Specialist – Office: 651-430-4313
 - Jennifer.Oehler@washingtontymn.gov
- Work Zone Safety and ROW Inspection
 - Tim Parkos, Highway Inspector – Office: 651-430-4344 Cell: 651-491-2530
 - Tim.Parkos@washingtontymn.gov
- City/Township Plans
 - Daniel Elder, County Planner – Office: 651-430-4307
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Questions?