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Highway S project update: Temporary through-traffic closure to begin Aug. 25

As the Kenosha County Highway S expansion project continues, a full closure to through traffic between highways 31 and H is set to begin Tuesday, Aug. 25.

This closure is expected to last for approximately 10 days, as crews construct a box culvert and other drainage improvements.

While residents and businesses within this area will retain access to their properties, there will be a hard closure just east of Highway EA and west of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks.

Residents and businesses west of Highway EA (72nd Avenue) will have to access their properties from the west, while those east of the railroad tracks will need to access their properties from the east.

A long-term closure separate from this one continues on Highway S between Highway N (38th Street) and the Interstate 94 East Frontage Road.

This closure, which began Aug. 5, is to accommodate the construction of the new Highway S westbound lanes west of the intersection with Highway N. This area is now only accessible to local residents and businesses.

The overall Highway S project involves the expansion of the road into a four-lane, divided highway between Highway 31 and the I-94 East Frontage Road.

"We are now moving into high gear with this summer's work on the project," said Kenosha County Highway Director Clement Abongwa. "While we recognize that these closures present inconveniences for drivers, they will allow us to safely and more quickly complete this much-needed highway expansion. We appreciate the public's patience."

About the Highway S project:

Along with the widened roadway, the Highway S project includes the addition of turn lanes, replacement of traffic signals, improvements to drainage, and the construction of an offroad, multiuse path for bicyclists and pedestrians.

The project is broken into two phases, which will be built out concurrently:

- Phase 1 includes the roughly 2-mile stretch from Highway 31 (Green Bay Road) to just west of Highway H (88th Avenue).
- Phase 2 includes the roughly 1.6-mile stretch between Highway H and the Amazon west driveway.

Work on the entire project is scheduled to continue through late 2021, with a break during the winter months.

For more information about the project, including project update briefs, please visit https://www.kenoshacounty.org/2051/Highway-S-Expansion-Project.

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