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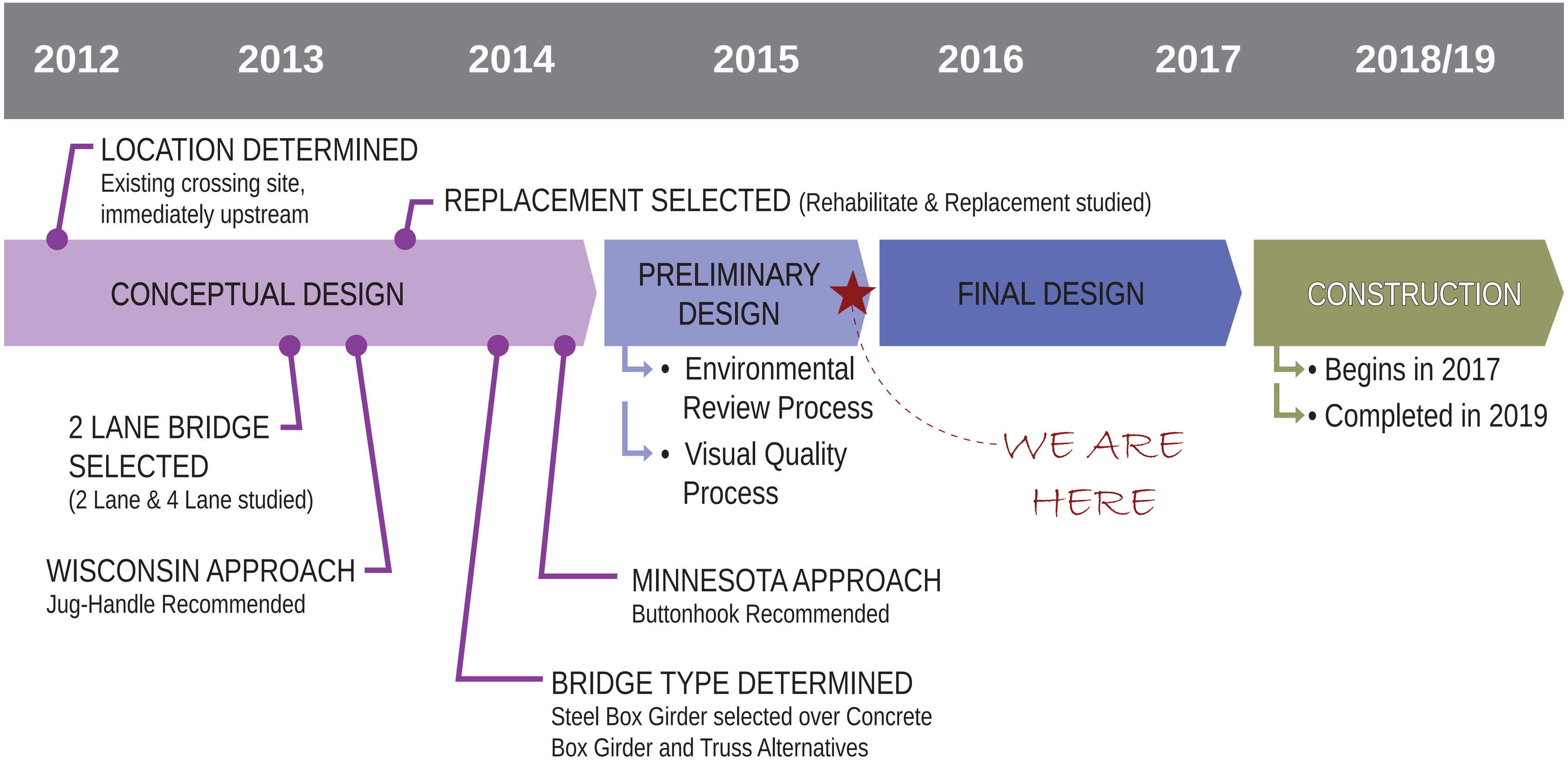
PROJECT TIMELINE & MILESTONES



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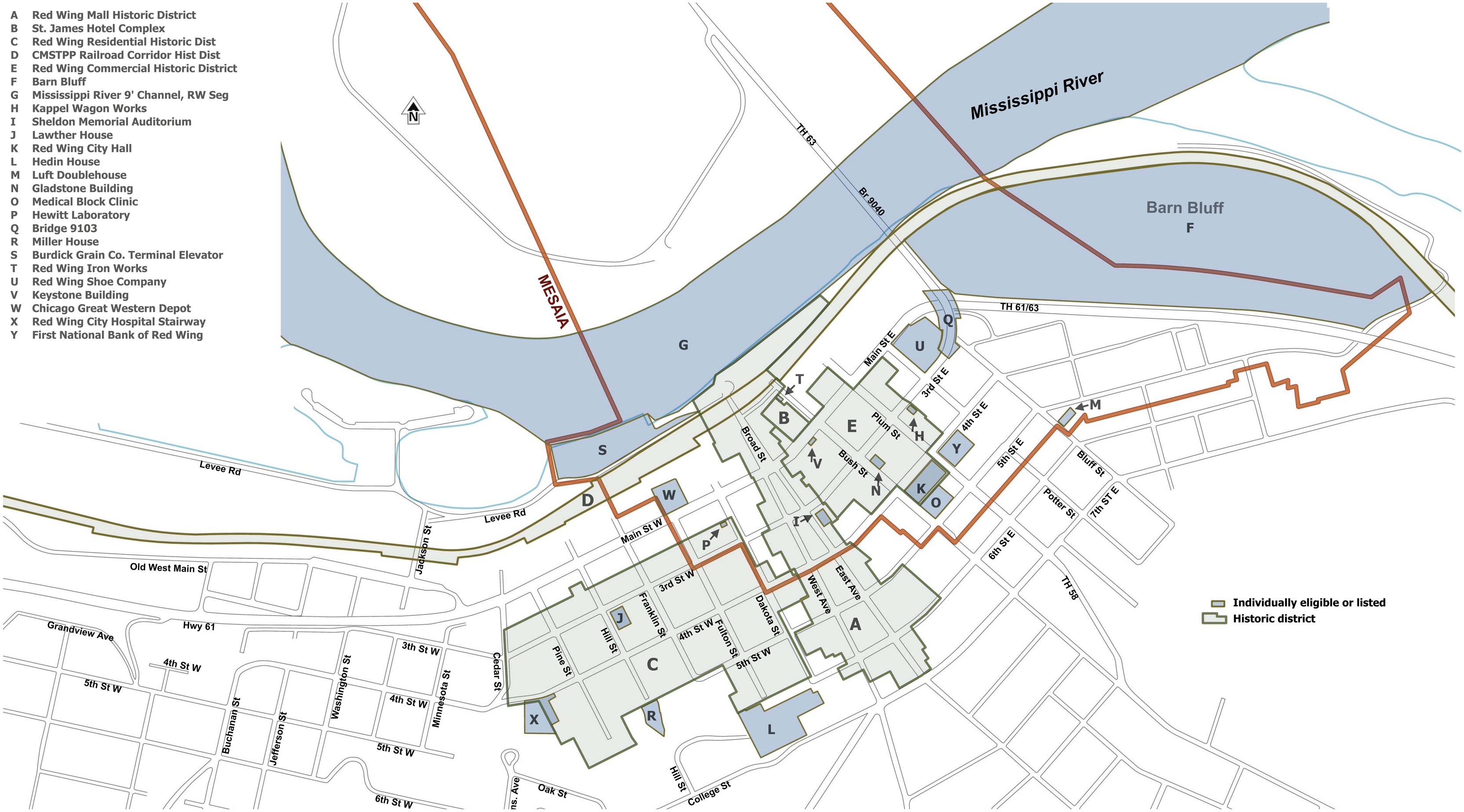
Properties in the Area of Potential Effect (APE) Listed on or Eligible for the National Register

- A Red Wing Mall Historic District
- B St. James Hotel Complex
- C Red Wing Residential Historic Dist
- D CMSTPP Railroad Corridor Hist Dist
- E Red Wing Commercial Historic District
- F Barn Bluff
- G Mississippi River 9' Channel, RW Seg
- H Kappel Wagon Works
- I Sheldon Memorial Auditorium
- J Lawther House
- K Red Wing City Hall
- L Hedin House
- M Luft Doublehouse
- N Gladstone Building
- O Medical Block Clinic
- P Hewitt Laboratory
- Q Bridge 9103
- R Miller House
- S Burdick Grain Co. Terminal Elevator
- T Red Wing Iron Works
- U Red Wing Shoe Company
- V Keystone Building
- W Chicago Great Western Depot
- X Red Wing City Hospital Stairway
- Y First National Bank of Red Wing



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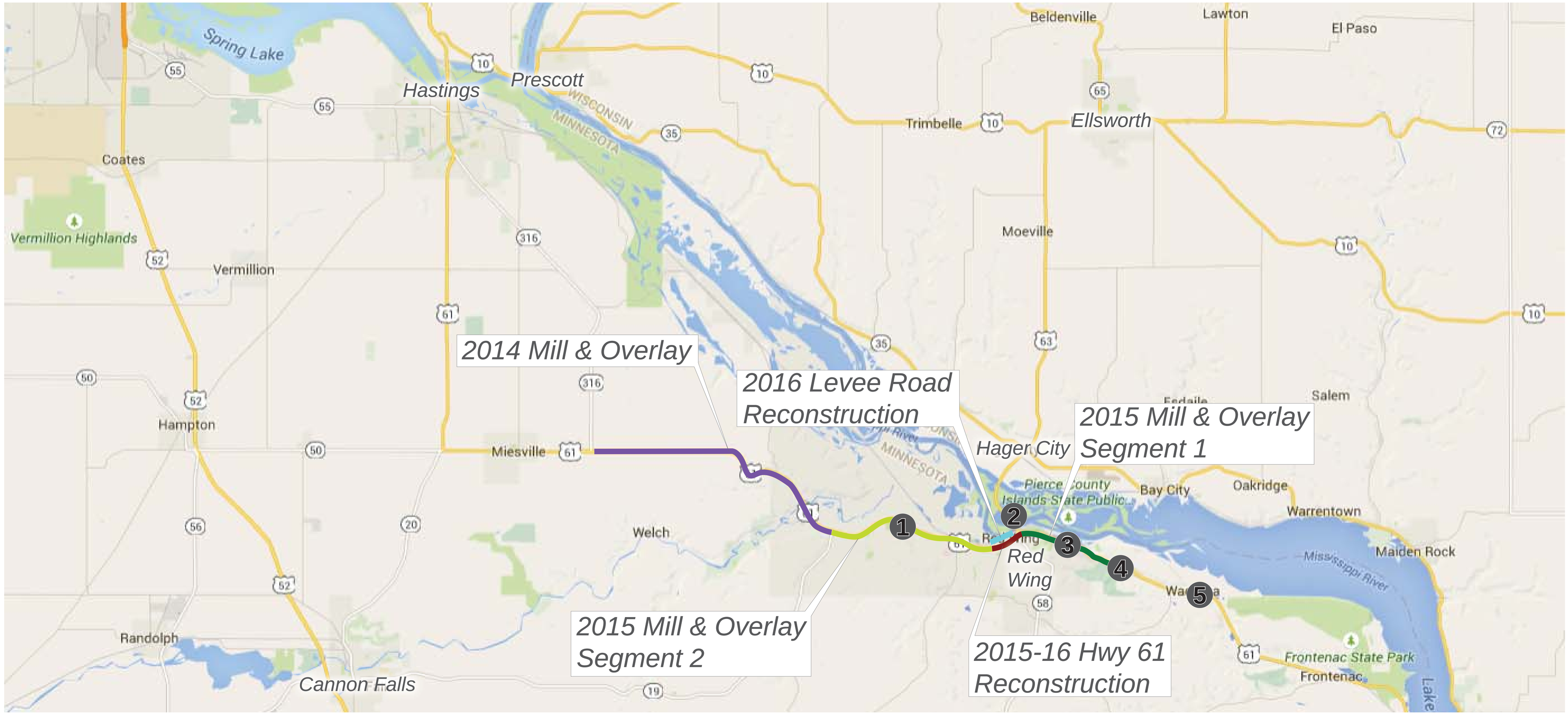
Other Projects in the Area



- 2014 Mill & Overlay
- 2015 Mill & Overlay, Segment 1
- 2015 Mill & Overlay, Segment 2
- 2016 Levee Road Reconstruction
- 2015-16 Hwy 61 Reconstruction

1. 2018-19 Hwy 61 & Spring Creek Rd Intersection Reconstruction
2. 2017-19 US 63 River Bridge & Approach Roadways
3. 2014 Hwy 61 & Nymphara Lane Bridge Replacement
4. 2015 Southbound Hwy 61 Left Turn Lanes (Sevastopol Rd)
5. 2015 Southbound Hwy 61 Left Turn Lanes (Wacouta Rd)

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Renderings of River Bridge and Pier Design

Daytime view of the new Mississippi River bridge. Red Wing and Barn Bluff are on the right; Wisconsin is on the left.

Evening view of the new Mississippi River bridge. Architectural and other required lighting elements, including channel navigation lights and roadway and trail lighting, will be designed to minimize light spill on light-sensitive resources.

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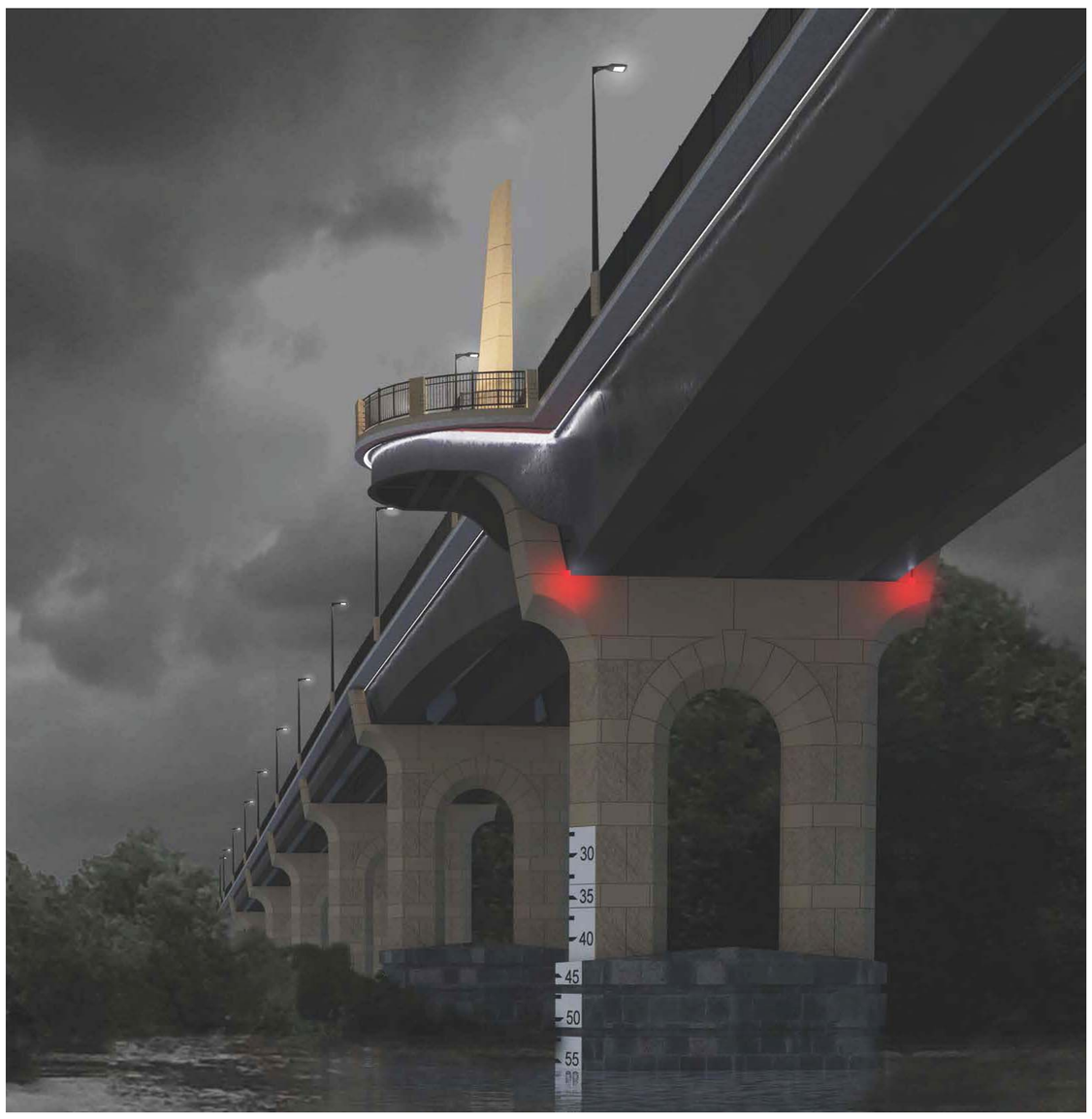
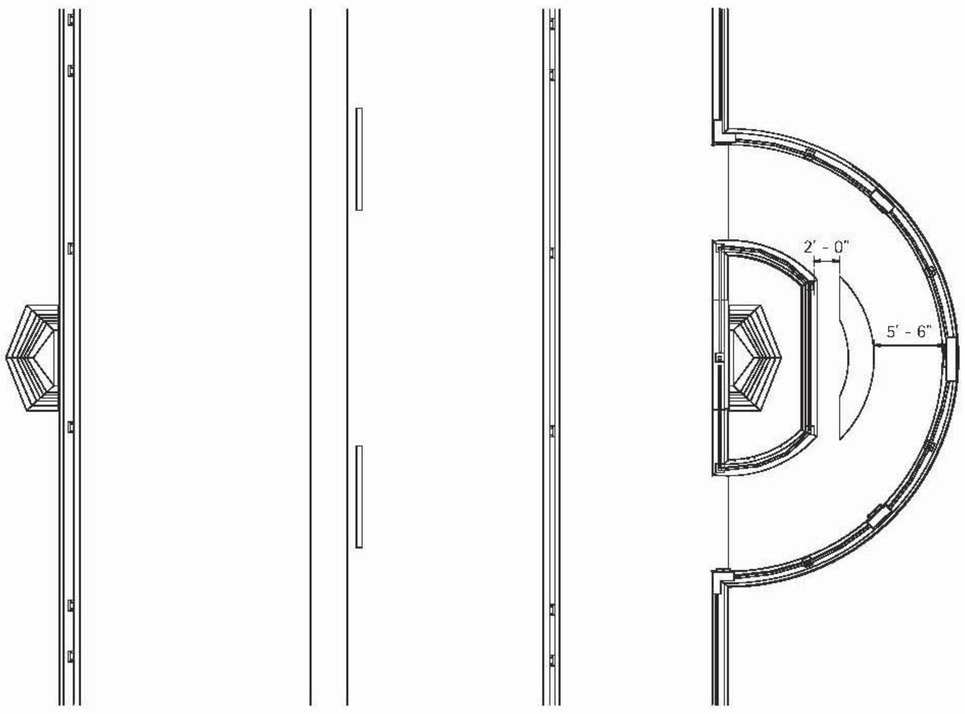
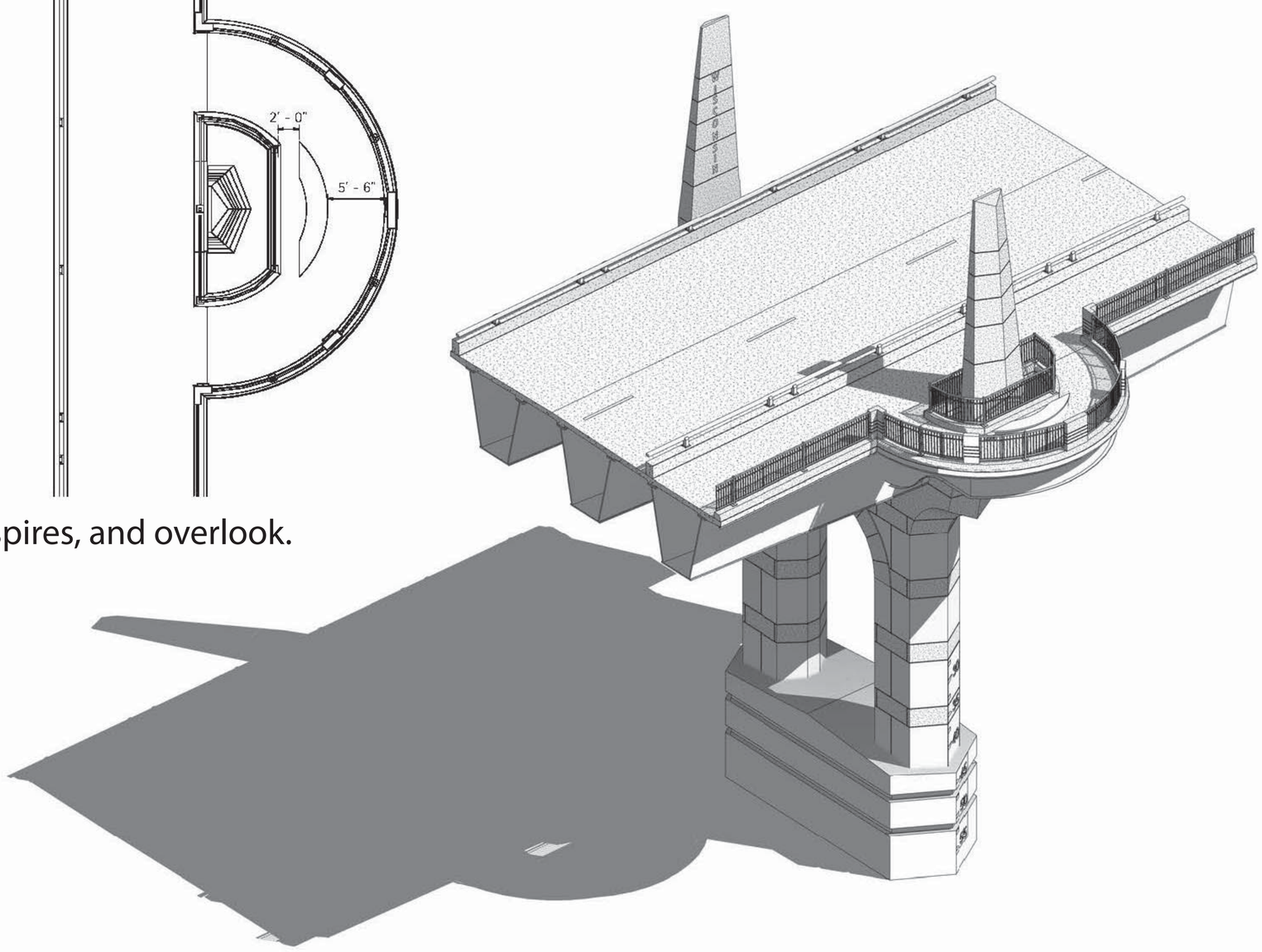
Daytime rendering of pier 2, overlook, and spire.



Evening rendering of pier 2, overlook, spire, and lighting.



Plan view of road, trail, spires, and overlook.



Bird's eye view of the overlook and spires. Overlooks are proposed on the upriver side of pier 1 and pier 2.

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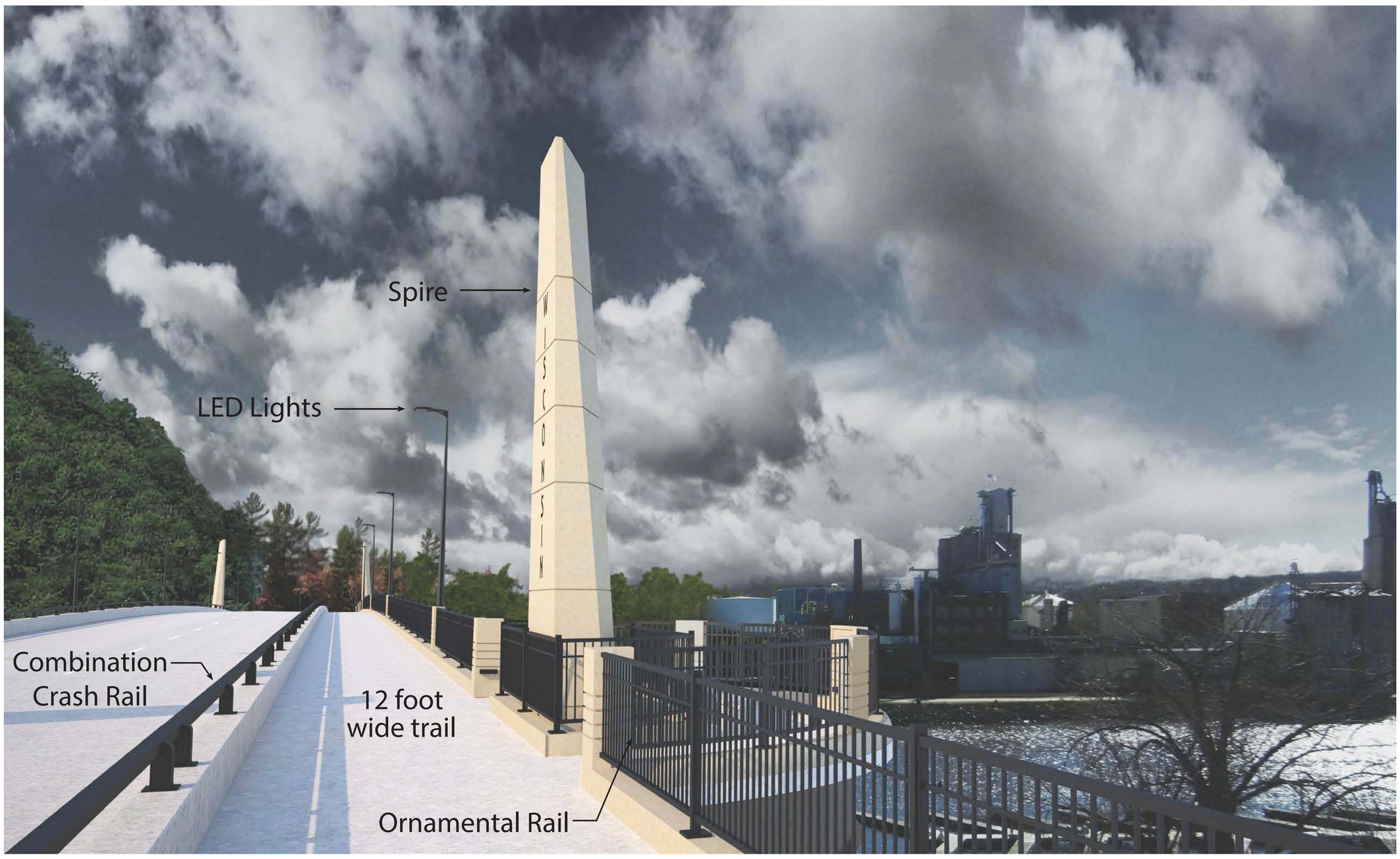

Daytime view of the new Mississippi River bridge and overlook.

Evening view of the new Mississippi River bridge and overlook.

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What is an EA/EAW?

An Environmental Assessment/Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EA/EAW) is prepared to disclose the potential social, economic, and environmental effects of a proposed project. The EA/EAW identifies the project purpose and need, alternatives considered and evaluates the potential effects of the project. The document also discusses efforts made to minimize impacts and identifies mitigation commitments. Areas of Potential Environmental Impact Assessed in an EA/EAW?

- Land Use
- Traffic
- Social & Community Effects
- Right-of-Way & Relocation
- Economics
- Pedestrian/Bicycle Movements
- Noise
- Air Quality
- Wetlands
- Water Quality/Surface Water
- Drainage
- Fish & Wildlife Habitat
- Groundwater
- Threatened/Endangered Species
- Parks/Recreational Areas
- Floodplains
- Vegetation/Land Cover
- Cumulative Potential Effects
- Contaminated Properties
- Environmental Justice
- Visual Quality
- Archeological/Historic Sites

Who Reviews And Approves The EA/EAW When It Is Completed?

The Minnesota Department of Transportation, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration approved the US 63 River Bridge and Approach Roadways Project EA/EAW, which was published on June 22, 2015. A public and agency review/comment period is being held and all comments submitted by **July 22, 2015** will be considered prior to a final determination by MnDOT and FHWA.

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Summary of Environmental Impacts for the Preferred Alternative

- Approximately 2.9 acres of permanent right-of-way and 1.2 acres of temporary easements are needed. There are 5 acquisitions and 2 relocations.
- 6.5 acres of wetland impacts.
- No substantial floodplain impacts (flood elevation and/or frequency) anticipated.
- Requires removal of Bridge 9103 (over US 61). No other cultural resource (archaeological or architectural) impacts.
- Noise levels on Minnesota side exceed residential noise standards and meet noise barrier criteria (noise barrier voting will occur this August).
- No substantial cumulative potential effects anticipated.
- No farmland impacts.
- No adverse Environmental Justice populations impacted.• Minor impacts to wildlife and sensitive habitats.
- Aesthetic treatment proposed for bridge structure (no adverse visual impacts anticipated).
- Temporary traffic impacts anticipated during construction, but substantial improvement to traffic operation in downtown Red wing anticipated following construction.
- Seven identified sites of potential contamination are found within the construction limits.