

**US Highway 10
West Fargo Main Avenue**

**Segment 2
Sheyenne River to 5th Street East**

Public Hearing



**October 2, 2008
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Formal Presentation at 5:30 p.m.**

**Speedway Event Center
680 West Main Avenue
West Fargo, ND 58078**

Project Website: www.westfargomain.com

Purpose and Need

The purpose of the West Fargo Main Avenue project is to improve the roadway deficiencies to meet North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) guidelines/standards for the facility type and to improve the safety and operational characteristics of the roadway. A number of deficiencies along the project corridor drive the need for the proposed reconstruction of Main Avenue including:

- Deteriorated pavement
- Poor intersection geometrics
- Uncontrolled access
- Inadequate drainage
- Lack of pedestrian/bicycle facilities

Due to the diversity in land use throughout the corridor, the corridor was divided into three segments: Segment 1 (I-94 to the Sheyenne River), Segment 2 (Sheyenne River to 5th Street East) and Segment 3 (5th Street East to 45th Street East).

Background

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approved the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on April 17th, 2008. The FONSI identified which alternatives and options would be built for each segment of Main Avenue (US 10), from I-94 to 45th Street East in West Fargo, North Dakota. The FONSI was based on the August 2007 Environmental Assessment (EA) that was completed to identify the alternatives and options for the corridor reconstruction and the corresponding need, environmental issues, and impacts of those alternatives and options. The EA also addressed the appropriate mitigation measures for the environmental issues and impacts.

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT), in conjunction with the city of West Fargo, is currently working on the design of Segment 2 (Sheyenne River to 5th Street East) in anticipation of reconstructing that segment starting in the spring of 2009.

Based on further evaluation during the design phase and additional public comment received, NDDOT and city of West Fargo prepared a decision document to address the design details that were proposed to change from those identified in the FONSI.

For one of the design details, both the city of West Fargo and NDDOT agreed on changing the access at the Francis and Morrison Street intersections (see following page). Upon review of the document by FHWA, they requested that NDDOT and city of West Fargo hold a Public Hearing to discuss not only the changes to those two intersections, but also consider comments on all of Segment 2. The comments received from the Public Hearing will be used in the Reevaluation of the EA.

FRANCIS AND MORRISON STREET INTERSECTIONS PRESENTED IN THE FONSI



FRANCIS AND MORRISON STREET INTERSECTIONS PROPOSED CHANGES



Public Comments

Written comments on the proposed changes must be postmarked no later than October 17, 2008 to be considered in the Reevaluation of the EA. Please mail comments to Chad M. Orn, Program Manager, Environmental and Transportation Services Division, ND Department of Transportation, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0700 or Email: corn@nd.gov with "West Fargo Public Hearing" in the e-mail subject heading.

This Public Hearing is being conducted by the North Dakota Department of Transportation in conjunction with the city of West Fargo. The Public Hearing is designed to allow for public comment, which is required for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970 and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

