



Construction meetings are held each Thursday at 9:00 a.m. at the construction field office– 6222 West Capitol Drive.

### Construction Update: Good Weather Means an Early Start for Phase 2

Phase 2 of the West Fond du Lac Avenue construction project, from West Capitol Drive to West Hampton Avenue, began on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, one week earlier than originally planned. The traffic plan for east-west traffic lanes was put in place on the east side of the project while the traffic was open on the west side. The first few days of the traffic switch was a challenge for motorists in the area, as there was also a paving project that occurred on an adjacent street, and prep work began for future utility projects.

One of the busiest organizations located within the project’s corridor is the Social Security Administration (SSA), 6300 West Fond du Lac Avenue. Prior to the start of the project, the SSA management staff began a dialog with DPW to determine how

access would be maintained. Phase 1 of the project did not present a problem, but Phase 2 presented a challenge for access to their parking lot. SSA staff attended one of the weekly construction meetings to discuss details of the work planned for the east side of the street. It was agreed that a temporary gravel path would be created to allow clients to cross the boulevard to access the parking lot.

Way-finding signage is created when the driveway to a parking lot has to be closed to keep the traffic flow moving.

The Milwaukee County Transit System #23 bus (Fond du Lac – National) has been detoured during the project, but the Blue Line bus (Fond du Lac Avenue - National) continues its usual route during the

construction. Bus stops have been created for passengers to use within the project area that are visible and safe for passengers to board.

Zignego Company, Inc., is the prime contractor for the project. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works require that contractors use Emerging Business Enterprises (EBE) in their contracts. EBEs are typically small firms owned by one or more individuals who are at an educational, social, economic or other type of disadvantage. They are certified by WisDOT and the City of Milwaukee. There are four DBEs on the West Fond du Lac Avenue project: Dolson, Inc., Interstate Sealant & Concrete, McDowell Construction Corp., and Szada Trucking.



Temporary gravel path across boulevard to parking lot



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Temporary bus stop



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