



## Wells Street Bridge • March 2018



Start Date: March 5, 2018 Anticipated Completion: November 2018\*

### Project Overview:

The Wells Street Bridge over the Milwaukee River, located between North Water Street and North Plankinton Avenue, will be closed for rehabilitation. The vertical lift bridge was built in 1985 and is one of the main arteries that connects Milwaukee's Downtown and Westtown neighborhoods.

The work will upgrade structural, hydraulic, mechanical and electrical components and replace curbs, gutters and sidewalk slabs as necessary due to condition or grade change.

When completed, the bridge will provide for an 11-foot driving lane in each direction and add bicycle plating to accommodate bicyclists in each direction. New traffic railings will be installed on the sidewalk near the curb for pedestrian safety. Outer railings will remain the same.

The Wells Street Bridge will be closed to pedestrian and vehicular traffic for the duration of the project.



### What to Expect During Construction:

The City of Milwaukee works to minimize impact for businesses, residents and the traveling public during construction.

**Construction Hours:** Construction work is allowed from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The operation of any motorized equipment will not be allowed between 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. without prior written approval. Work over weekends and holidays will be allowed with department approval.

**Traffic Detour Route:** Traffic will be re-routed to the Kilbourn Avenue bridge from N. Broadway on the east side of the bridge, and from N. Old World Third Street on the west side of the bridge.

**Parking Information:** There will be no on-street parking available on Wells Street between North Plankinton Avenue and North Water Street during construction.

**Pedestrian Access:** Although no pedestrians will be allowed to travel over the bridge during construction, pedestrians will be able to travel to those properties and businesses that abut the bridge during construction, with the least amount of inconvenience. A detour route will guide pedestrians to the two nearest bridges, Kilbourn Avenue and Wisconsin Avenue bridges.

**Riverwalk Access:** The Riverwalk will be closed at the bridge to pedestrians to accommodate construction. Other areas of the Riverwalk will be open.

**Boat Access:** The navigation channel will remain open during rehabilitation.

The project is funded and managed by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation in conjunction with the City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works.

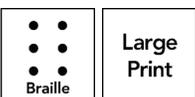
\*All work is weather dependent and subject to change

We are committed to keeping you informed throughout the life of the project. Please feel free to contact us with your questions or concerns.

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