



PUBLIC INPUT REQUESTED for proposed improvements to Iowa 78 in Louisa County

The Iowa Department of Transportation is requesting public input on the proposed bridge replacement of the Iowa 78 bridge over Honey Creek, 1.8 miles west of U.S. 61 in Louisa County, and the project detour.

The proposed project involves removing the existing 151-foot long x 26-foot wide steel beam bridge and replacing it with a triple 12-foot wide x 12-foot high reinforced concrete box culvert. The proposed project will also involve some clearing and grubbing, grading and backfill, installing an inlet splash basin and revetment for erosion control, adding new 9-inch PCC pavement for the bridge approaches, and temporary or permanent relocation of utilities. Construction would occur calendar year 2021.

Through traffic on Iowa 78 would be detoured during construction using Louisa County Road H-16/M Avenue (south and north), Louisa County Road H-16/40th Street (east and west) to U.S. 61 (north and south). It is anticipated the detour will be in place for the majority of the construction. Local traffic will have access to Iowa 78 except for the lanes crossing the bridge over Honey Creek (mile marker 56.90) during the bridge closure.

Comments must be received by March 3, 2020, to be considered.

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More information will be posted as it becomes available at the Iowa DOT's website:

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