

Construction Update – May 6, 2026



Highway and project ID	USH 51 (5845-16-72 & 79)
Project limits, location	Stoughton - Madison Spring Road to Fifth Street
Project length	1.495 miles
Overall schedule	March 24, 2025 – June 15, 2026
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Note: Updates are shown in red below.

Project Description: The work under this contract shall consist of excavation, base course, concrete paving, HMA paving, concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer, water main, sanitary sewer, retaining wall, traffic control, pavement marking, permanent signing, traffic signals, lighting and all incidental items necessary to complete the work as shown on the plans and included in the proposal and contract.

Overall traffic impacts/holiday work restrictions: USH 51 will be closed to through traffic. There is an official signed detour for the project that used STH 138, STH 59 and IH 39/90. Emergency access will always be maintained through the work zone for the duration of the project. There are several provisions regarding the maintenance of local and pedestrian traffic through the construction zone during the duration of the project.

The following holiday and special event work restrictions are contained in the contract. No work will occur during the following dates/times that will impede the free flow of traffic:

- From noon Thursday, May 14, 2026 to 6:00 AM Monday, May 18, 2026 for Syttende Mai

Work completed since last update:

The contractors continued to work on pouring the face of the new retaining wall. They made the last pour for the face on Monday of this past week. They are now working on forming up the “cap” on top of the wall.

The contractors worked on removing some sidewalk, removing the asphalt path on the north side of the road between the RR tracks and 5th Street and performing some of the grading required to finish the areas left on the project.

The contractors worked on forming and pouring the sidewalk and driveway between Hillside Ave and the RR tracks and they worked on forming the sidewalk west of the RR tracks on the north

side of the road.

Anticipated work schedule for next week:

Next week, the contractors will continue to work on forming and pouring sidewalk on the north side of the road between the RR tracks and 5th Street. They will also be working on filling in some of the terrace area left yet on the south side of the roadway.

The contractors will continue to work on forming up the cap of the retaining wall.

The contractors will be standing the new light poles from CTH N to the RR tracks. The poles are on the north side of the road and the contractors will be doing flagging during the process of standing the new light poles.

USH 51 is closed to through traffic in the work zone from the west side of Church Street to 5th Street. The current closure will remain in place until the work is completed up to 6th Street. The city has adjusted the local detour for the current closure.

Note that the roadway will be opened to traffic through the work zone for Syttende Mai.