

## Project Schedule

This project schedule is meant as a guide and is subject to change.

### Estimated Timeline for Completion

Phase I Engineering – Fall/Winter 2011

Phase II Engineering – Fall 2012

Land Acquisition (if required) – Summer 2012

Construction – 2013 and 2014



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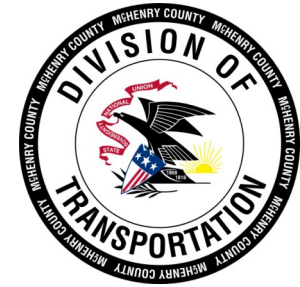
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## Franklinville Road Bridges



McHenry County Division  
of Transportation

# How To Replace A Bridge

## Why These Bridges

Replacing the McHenry County's aging bridges is a Strategic Planning priority of the County Board. The McHenry County Division of Transportation (MCDOT) annually develops a 5-Year Highway Improvement Program that is approved by the County Board.

The MCDOT is responsible for inspecting all County and Township bridges on a scheduled basis for public safety purposes. As the case with the two bridges on Franklinville Road, they have been load posted where weight restrictions have been imposed by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) as recorded by the bridge inspections due to deteriorating conditions of the structures.

An overall value called a Bridge Sufficiency Rating is assigned to a bridge to indicate the bridge's structural sufficiency. Based on the

inspections, the Sufficiency Bridge Rating for both Franklinville Road Bridges is such that they are eligible for federal funding for replacement.



## Phase I and Phase II Engineering

Phase I (Preliminary) Engineering involves project "scoping" and conducting studies to evaluate the best solution for the identified problem. In the case of both bridges on Franklinville Road, the problem has been identified as the need to replace both bridges. Design and environmental studies will be conducted which will include input from the public as well as resource agencies at all levels of government including the Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish & Wildlife, IL Department of Natural Resources, IDOT, and the McHenry County Planning and Development Department to name a few.



After a Preferred Alternative has been determined, Phase II (Design) Engineering can start. This phase involves preparing the detailed plans that will be used by contractors to bid on and construct the project.

## Land Acquisition

During the Phase I and Phase II Engineering phases, alternatives will be evaluated for these two bridges. While the MCDOT works to minimize the impacts of any

alternative, often to achieve the project goals, additional right-of-way may be required. If additional land is necessary to construct either bridge project, the MCDOT adheres to the Federal Uniform Act for land acquisition for highway projects. As the project moves forward, more information will be made available regarding the land acquisition process.

## Public Coordination

Public input is welcome at any time during any project! Input from the public is most important in Phase I so that comments made by the public can be considered during the design and environmental studies. This input can then be applied when alternatives are being evaluated by the engineers. The back of this brochure lists the contact information for these two bridge projects.



## Construction

It is anticipated that construction for these two bridges will take one full construction season. While not fully determined, it is likely that the two bridges will be built in separate construction seasons due to potential detour routing. As the project moves forward, more information will be provided regarding the construction process and potential detours.