# LAKES 71 CONSTRUCTION

March 7 Kickoff Event

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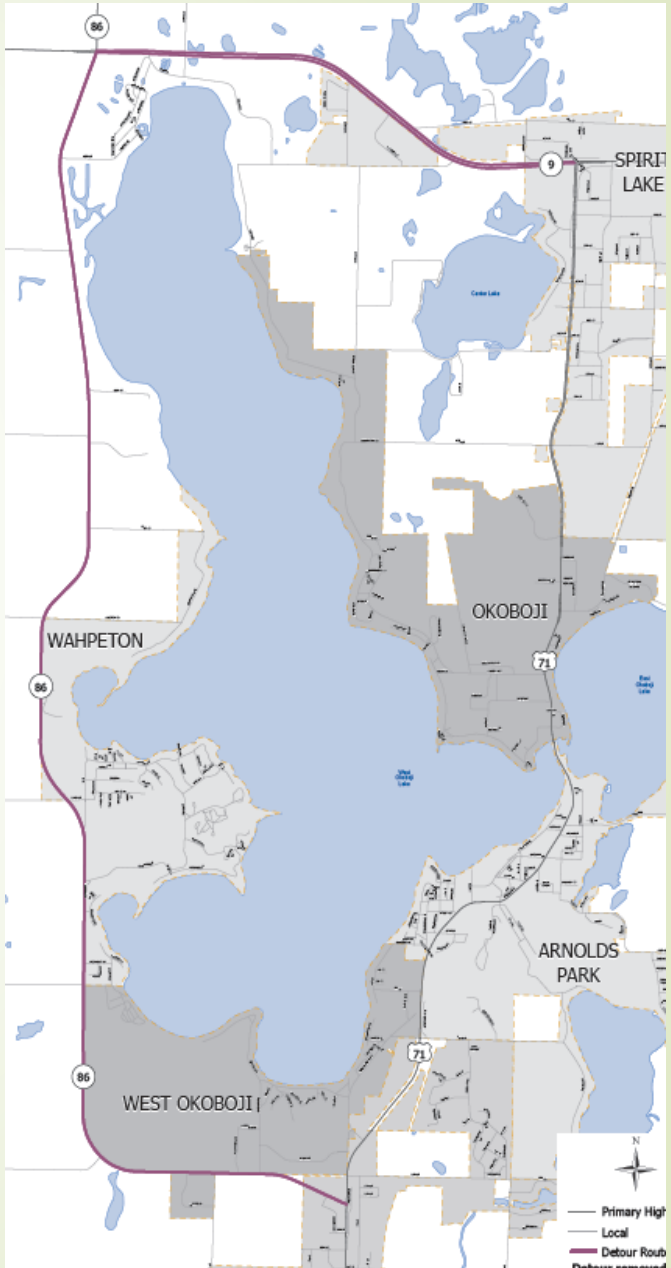
# Project Overview

- New pavement from Okoboji Grove Road through Okoboji View Avenue
- Construction to occur over two plus years
- Extension of the three-lane section of U.S. 71 to south of Lake Street.
- Update sidewalks to comply Americans with Disabilities Act
- New barrier rail with enhanced graphics on the causeway
- New traffic signals at Lake Street and Linden Street in Arnolds Park



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# Spring 2023 – Arnolds Park

# Spring 2023 -Causeway

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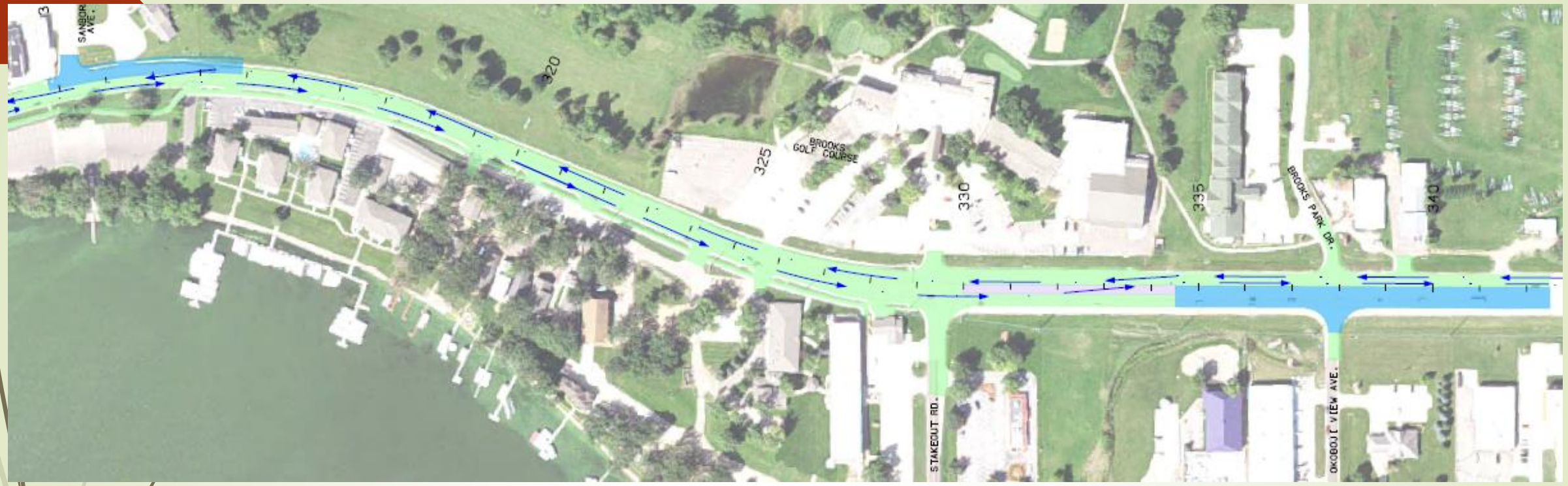
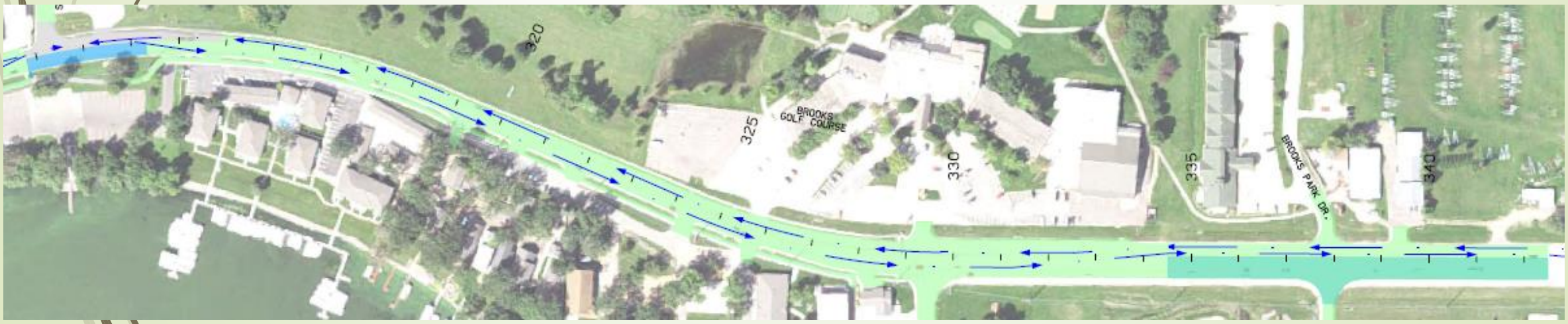
# Spring 2023 - Okoboji



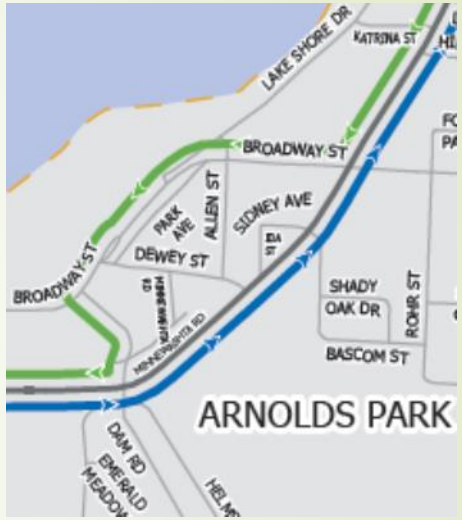



Fall 2023 September 5 start

September 18 Causeway Closure

Arnolds Park – Broadway and Linden Streets

Okoboji – Mainline to Sanborn Ave




Spring 2024

Arnolds Park –Northbound Mainline

Okoboji - Mainline Sanborn Ave to Brooks Park

Fall 2024

Arnolds Park – Southbound Mainline

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Iowa's Great Lakes region provides a unique playground for Iowans and visitors from around the U.S. and the world. Getting around the region is about to get safer as a project from the Iowa Department of Transportation and the city of Arnolds Park is set to begin in 2023.

Starting in 2023, we'll be replacing the pavement on U.S. 71 and the sidewalks from Okoboji Grove Road in Arnolds Park through Okoboji View Avenue in Okoboji. The safety updates include the replacement of the barrier rail that separates vehicles from pedestrians on the causeway.

The project is scheduled to be completed in four phases over two years. Road work will occur during the Iowa Great Lakes region's "off-peak" tourist season (before Memorial Day and after Labor Day).

## PROJECT UPDATES

### SPRING 2023 CONSTRUCTION (STAGE 1 OF 4)

**Begins March 13, 2023, and will be completed before the 2023 Memorial Day weekend.**
Will include intersection reconstruction in Arnolds Park and Okoboji. All intersection construction will be half at a time, to avoid closure of the entire intersection.

**Arnolds Park intersection reconstruction locations:**

- Okoboji Grove Road
- Berit Drive
- Lake Street
- Dam Road (east half)
- Ackley Street

**Okoboji intersection reconstruction locations:**

- Lake Shore Drive
- Sanborn Avenue
- Okoboji View Avenue

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U.S. 71 KICKOFF EVENT

**March 7 at 5 p.m.**
Pavilion at Arnolds Park

Hosted by the Iowa Great Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce.

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# “Questions…

Can you replace the Southbound Lanes first?
How will you maintain access to businesses?
Does “no work” during the summer include maintenance? Traffic counts?
Why is the intersection at Dam Road not receiving traffic signals?

Weather Permitting”

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