

West Dowling Road

Frequently Asked Questions

What is this project?

The State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is continuing the effort to "Connect Anchorage" by improving east-west travel along West Dowling Road from Old Seward Highway to C Street. This project is Phase I of the proposed five-lane road upgrade/extension between Old Seward Highway and Raspberry Road.

Who's funding this project?

The West Dowling Road project is being funded with State of Alaska general appropriation funds.

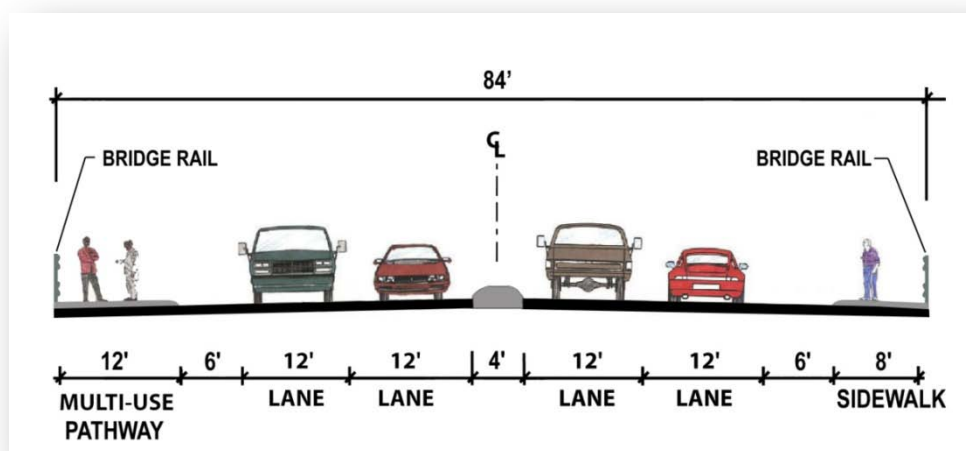
What will the road look like?

The proposed road will be a five-lane facility with two 12-foot lanes in each direction and a center left-turn lane/landscaped median. The corridor will also receive a new bridge, street lighting, drainage structures, landscaping, and improved pedestrian accommodations.



What other improvements are included?

There will be new street lighting, landscaping, improved access to the trail, and new storm drain improvements.

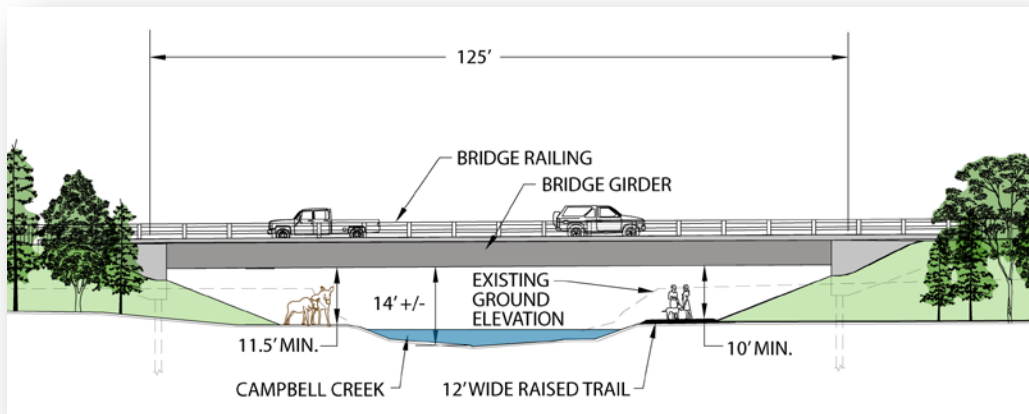


Typical Section - Campbell Creek Bridge



What will the bridge look like?

The proposed bridge will have two 12-foot wide travel lanes and a sidewalk in each direction. The bridge is designed to allow wildlife and trail users to cross underneath.



Will DOT&PF need to buy private land?

DOT&PF will need to purchase additional right-of-way due to widening and realignment of the road.

When will the acquisition process begin?

DOT&PF will begin purchasing land in the spring of 2009. This process generally takes approximately a year to complete.

Are sidewalks and trails included?

Currently, sidewalks and trails do not exist along most of the road. Sidewalks will be constructed on both sides of the roadway. The Campbell Creek Trail crossing will be changed to allow trail users to pass under Dowling Road.

When will it be constructed?

Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2010 and to be complete in spring 2012. The majority of construction will occur during the summer months.

How will construction affect traffic?

Once the design is complete and a contractor is chosen, they will develop a traffic plan for construction. DOT&PF and the project team will notify the public prior to initiating any road closures or detours that might temporarily affect them.

Will the roads connecting to West Dowling change?

Modifications to cross streets will occur where they intersect with Dowling Road and Potter Drive.

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