



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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<b>Description</b> Designating and marking a bridge on STH 33 in the city of Portage as the Pierre Pauquette Memorial Bridge					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The requirement to mark the bridge must be accomplished consistent with traffic sign standards adopted under Wisconsin law. The highest priority to be served by traffic signs is to effectively guide and warn motorists so that the highway provides safe and efficient travel. Traffic control devices, including highway signs, are essential elements of guiding drivers to their destination and achieving safety. As such, use of markers or signs should be limited and, when designations are made, markers are typically placed outside the clear zone of the roadway in a nearby roadside facility or public space, not on the bridge.

At present, highway and bridge designations are also listed clearly on the Official State Highway Map, although space limitations may eventually be a concern. In addition, the Department does share information about designations on its website as well.

No state funds are to be used for erecting or maintaining the markers. Instead, private contributions will be used to cover these expenses. Markers of this type can cost about \$1.500.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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