

# **ROAD COMMISSION**

## **for OAKLAND COUNTY**

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#### **RCOC TO HOST SECOND PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING AUG. 22 FOR DEQUINDRE WIDENING PROJECT, LONG LAKE TO BURNINGBUSH**

**Beverly Hills, MI** – The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) will host a second public information meeting Tuesday, Aug. 22, about the planned widening and reconstruction of Dequindre Road between Long Lake Road and Burningbush Drive on the Troy/Sterling Heights border.

A previous meeting was held Aug. 8. RCOC is conducting a second meeting to ensure that anyone interested is able to attend.

The public meeting is from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. at Reuther Middle School, 1430 E. Auburn Road in Rochester Hills (in the library). The meeting will be an open-house format -- there will be no formal presentations. RCOC staff will be present to answer questions throughout the public meeting.

The approximately \$16.5 million project is funded with a mix of federal and local dollars. Local funding is shared by RCOC, the Macomb Department of Roads and the cities of Troy and Sterling Heights.

The project includes:

- Reconstruction and widening to five lanes of Dequindre Road from Long Lake Road to Burningbush Drive.
- The reconstructed road will include two through lanes in each direction as well as a continuous center left-turn lane and right-turn lanes at major intersections.
- New concrete curbs, gutters and new traffic signals.
- Significant drainage improvements as a result of large, new storm sewers.
- Pedestrian crosswalks will be upgraded to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

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The project is intended to provide increased traffic capacity, improved safety and greater accessibility for pedestrians and other non-motorized users.

Construction is expected to begin in September and continue through the winter months as weather allows. The majority of the road surface work will be completed between April and November 2018.

This section of Dequindre will remain open for the majority of the project. However, the Dequindre and Square Lake intersection will be closed for a short period of time this fall for storm sewer installation. Additionally, there will be short periods when Square Lake Road will be closed at the west or east sides of the intersection in 2018.

Once the closure dates are established, detour routes will be posted.

This section of Dequindre carries approximately 26,000 vehicles per day.

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