

ORCHARD LAKE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION, 13 MILE TO 14 MILE, TO START WEEK OF MARCH 21

The City of Farmington Hills and the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) are partnering to reconstruct Orchard Lake Road between 13 Mile and 14 Mile. The project contractor expects to start work during the week of March 21.

PROJECT SUMMARY

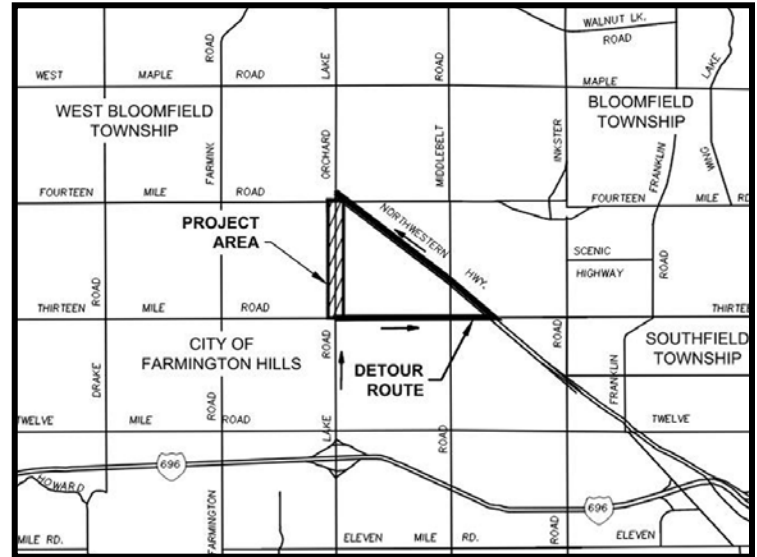
The project includes:

- Removal and replacement of the pavement, curbs and gutters from 13 Mile Road to Hunters Lane. The road will be repaved with eight inches of asphalt.
- From Hunters Lane to south of Rexwood Street, the road will be reconstructed as a narrow, four-lane boulevard to improve safety. This section will be constructed with 10 inches of concrete.
- A roundabout will be constructed at the Orchard Lake Plaza driveway.
- From south of Rexwood Street to 14 Mile, the center left-turn lane will be removed and replaced with a center median.
- There will be minor drainage improvements and pedestrian crosswalks will be upgraded to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

IMPACT ON TRAFFIC

During most of the project, this section of Orchard Lake Road will be closed to northbound traffic. Two southbound lanes will remain open most of the time, but there may be times when southbound is reduced to one lane.

The detour route for northbound traffic will be 13 Mile Road to Northwestern Highway and back to Orchard



Lake Road.

The road is expected to be re-opened to traffic in November.

PROJECT COST AND FUNDING

The project is expected to cost \$7.3 million to construct. The project will be paid for with a combination of federal road funds and dollars from the City of Farmington Hills, RCOC and Oakland County general government (through the Tri-Party Program).

The contractor for the project is M.L. Chartier Excavating of Ida, MI.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about this project, visit the RCOC website, www.rcocweb.org, and click on the "Road Projects" icon on the homepage. Then select this project from the list of projects.

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