

BALDWIN ROAD UPDATE

A monthly update on the Baldwin Road widening project in Orion Township provided by the Road Commission for Oakland County.

EAST LEG OF WALDON ROAD TO CLOSE AT BALDWIN IN FALL

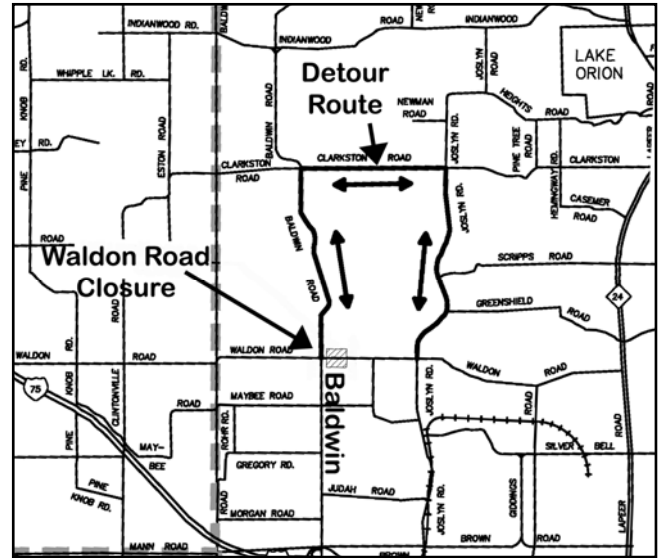
Primary contractor Dan's Excavating expects to close Waldon Road at the east side of Baldwin Road, probably in late September. The exact closure date is dependent on when utilities are moved out of the way in the area, and it could occur later in the fall.

Once closed, the road is expected to remain closed for approximately six weeks (though the duration could be shorter or longer depending on weather and other factors).

The closure is necessary for water main and storm sewer installation and concrete paving as part of the ongoing Baldwin Road project.

The Waldon closure is expected to overlap the ongoing closure of Maybee Road at Baldwin.

The **detour route for Waldon** traffic will be Baldwin Road to Clarkston Road to Joslyn Road and back to Waldon and vice versa.



RCOC, SCHOOLS AND TOWNSHIP WORKING TOGETHER TO GET STUDENTS SAFELY TO SCHOOL

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), Lake Orion Community Schools district, Orion Township and the Oakland County Sheriff's Dept. Orion Substation are working together to ensure students get safely to and from school given the road closures resulting from the Baldwin project.

"During construction, motorists, including school buses and parents driving children to and from school, will experience challenges, especially with the closure of east/west roads at Baldwin," observed RCOC Managing Director Dennis Kolar. "We all want to do everything we can to minimize those challenges."

Maybee Road is closed in both directions at Baldwin Road, and is expected to remain closed through the late fall. Waldon Road will close at the east side of the Baldwin intersection for a portion of the fall also (see story above).

The school district has adjusted its bus routes to accommodate these closures. Bus routes and parent drop offs and pick-ups will take longer than normal to accommodate the detour routes. "We appreciate both parents' and students' patience," Kolar stated.

Orion Township Supervisor Chris Barnett concurred. "We understand that major road projects such as this often require temporary adjustments by residents to accommodate the work, and this project is no different," Barnett said.

"I ask our impacted parents and students to please bear with us while the Road Commission completes this transformational project. When this project is done, this section of the Baldwin corridor will be transformed into a beautiful, much-better-functioning modern corridor that will be a showcase for our community."

WHAT'S NEXT

Completion of clean-up items continues on landscaping and lighting in phase 1 (Morgan to Gregory), while watermain installation and road construction continue in phase 2 (north of Gregory).

One lane of traffic in each direction will remain open in phase 2 on Baldwin for the remainder of 2019.

REMINDER: GREGORY TO BE REPAVED BY PULTE NEXT YEAR

Pulte Homes, the developer of the soon-to-be constructed Gregory Meadows subdivision on the south side of Gregory Road between Rohr and Baldwin, has committed to repaving Gregory Road between the subdivision and Baldwin.

The paving will take place next year when the road is no longer functioning as a detour route. The Gregory work will include pulverizing the existing road, using the pulverized material as a base for the new pavement and then applying new asphalt on top of the newly pulverized base.

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