

SMITH VALLEY ROAD / MADISON AVENUE ROUNDABOUT

Frequently Asked Questions

WHY IS THE CITY DOING THIS PROJECT?

The triple intersections of Smith Valley Road and Meridian Street, Madison Avenue, and US-31 have long been one of the City's most problematic traffic issues. The roundabout project will reduce delays and traffic back-ups while providing increased safety. In general, roundabouts reduce traffic fatalities and injuries by 82% and traffic accidents by 44% when compared with traditional intersections.

HOW LONG IS CONSTRUCTION ANTICIPATED TO LAST?

Construction is anticipated to begin in June 2018 and last approximately four months.

WILL THERE BE STOPLIGHTS AT MERIDIAN AND SMITH VALLEY?

Yes, it will have a full-service signal. However, vehicles on Meridian Street will need to use the new roundabout to travel east on Smith Valley Road.

HOW WILL TRAFFIC TURN LEFT FROM SMITH VALLEY ROAD ONTO U.S. 31?

Traffic will not be permitted to turn left from Smith Valley Road onto US-31 in either direction. Eastbound traffic on Smith Valley Road will now be in the far-right lane, drive across US-31, and veer right to use the new "jug handle" loop to proceed northbound and merge onto US-31.

Westbound traffic on Smith Valley Road will now use the new roundabout at Madison to drive southbound on Madison to the traffic signal at US-31 in order to proceed southbound onto US-31.

HOW WILL I GET TO MY NEIGHBORHOOD BEHIND THE SHOPPING CENTER?

Mercator Drive will have phased construction to maintain access for residents of Grossmans subdivision and customers of the Wilgro Shopping Center.

WON'T TRAFFIC BACKUP ON SMITH VALLEY ROAD AT 31?

No, eliminating left-turn lanes will allow for longer "green-time" for thru traffic. We are also adding a third lane available for westbound traffic

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE GREENWOOD BAND SIGN?

Through coordination with the Greenwood Band Booster Board, the Greenwood Marching Band Sign will be removed and preserved during construction and then replaced in the same general vicinity once the project is completed.

DOES THE PLAN INCLUDE TRAILS AND SIDEWALKS?

Yes.

HOW DO PEDESTRIANS AND BIKES CROSS SMITH VALLEY ROAD?

A cross walk will be added at the intersection of Smith Valley and Meridian Street. The Smith Valley Bridge also provides a safe route over Smith Valley Road for pedestrians and cyclists.

HOW CAN I GET MORE DETAILS?

For more information please visit the City's website at: www.greenwood.in.gov/PROJECTS



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