

Territorial Highway

Gillespie Corners to Lorane



2020 New Year's Update

Happy New Year! We are excited to be on-schedule for Phase 1 Construction this summer. Since our last public meeting and e-mail update in June 2019, our team has been working hard on the engineering design and construction plans. As a quick refresher, Phase 1 of the project is focused on stabilizing Stony Point and softening the sharp curves along this segment of road.

As promised, we will hold another public meeting to share the design and construction plans. Please hold the date:

Tuesday, May 19, 2020, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
The Lorane Grange, 80356 Old Lorane Road

You should start seeing more activity along Phase 1 as we prepare for construction, which is estimated to go from June 15 through November 2020. You can expect to see the following in the coming months:

- The project boundaries being staked, including both the new road alignment and the space needed for temporary construction impacts.
- Tree cutting to clear space for the new alignment.
- Century Link and Level 3 workers moving fiber-optic lines (we don't anticipate major impacts to the new lines recently put in by Lane Electric).

During construction, the road will remain open and we will be able to maintain at least one lane for travel. At most, there will be short intervals of very limited traffic delays while construction work is in progress. We also met with first responders to share the traffic control plan and ensure it will work in the event of an emergency.

Next Steps: The County is in the process of designing Phase 2 of the project — improving the road at Gillespie Corners. Planned improvements include raising and widening the road and bridges to accommodate six-foot-wide shoulders, and adding an overflow structure to prevent roadway flooding during heavy rains. Construction of Phase 2 is scheduled for 2021.

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