



Candice S. Miller

Public Works Commissioner
Macomb County

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MACOMB INTERCEPTOR DRAIN REHABILITATION PROJECT

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

We all remember the sinkhole on 15 Mile Road five years ago, when we experienced a major sewer interceptor collapse. You may have been a resident in 2004 when there was also a sinkhole on 15 Mile Road or even remember the one in 1978. None of us ever want another sinkhole, obviously.

After fixing the 2016 sinkhole, my department did a comprehensive inspection of the entire system and – no surprise – it needs some rehabilitation and maintenance work. We have undertaken that work with a project that is currently underway in an area in the ITC corridor, under the transmission towers. Thus far, we have been able to contain the work to the corridor and beneath 15 Mile Road, west of Hayes Road, but I'm writing to inform you of a couple of new temporary lane closures required by the work that will be happening soon east of Garfield Road.

- Temporary closure of two lanes of 15 Mile Road from Simon Drive to Bobcean Road – with some potential adjustment after initial setup -- starting mid-October 2021 and continuing for approximately nine months. **Please note: two-way traffic on 15 Mile will be maintained at all times with one eastbound lane, one westbound lane and a center turn lane.**

In late spring 2022, additional traffic controls will be implemented to the immediate west on 15 Mile Road and on Garfield Road near the intersection. Details about the associated lane closures in that location will be provided as that construction nears.

We are committed to investing and maintaining our underground infrastructure for future generations, and we are also committed to ensuring we never have another infrastructure disaster along 15 Mile. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and patience during the construction period. There really isn't any other way, and we also want to make sure that local residents were notified.

There is also a map on the back of this letter to view the closures area. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Keith Lumma with the Macomb County Public Works Office at keith.lumma@macombgov.org or 586-469-5325.

Sincerely,

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Construction Site

