

Old US-12 Culvert Replacement

Project Overview

During this project the Washtenaw County Road Commission (WCRC) and its contractor will:

- Replace the existing, deteriorating culvert on Old US-12 Road southwest of I-94 in Sylvan Township with an aluminum box culvert
- Install guardrail over the culvert
- Pave the road at the culvert

Project Timeline

Road construction will begin in mid-September. WCRC's goal is to complete the project by the mid-October 2020, weather pending.

During the project, Old US-12 Road will be closed to ALL traffic, including pedestrians and bicyclists) between just northeast of the Sylvan Township Hall driveway and the I-94 ramps. Road users must utilize the posted detour or seek an alternate route.

Sylvan Township Hall and the Michigan State Police Sylvan Detachment will be accessible from the southwest.

Contact Information

- Visit the project webpage and sign-up for email updates at wcroads.org/wcrc-project/old-us-12-culvert/
- Contact James Hui, project manager, (734) 327-6660, huij@wcroads.org
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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How is this project funded?

A: Total project cost is estimated to be \$237,000.

Funding for this project comes from the Washtenaw County Road Commission's Michigan Transportation Fund budget.

Q: What are the limits of construction?

A: To accommodate the work, Old US-12 Road will be closed between just northeast of the Sylvan Township Hall driveway and the I-94 ramps.

Q: When will construction begin/be completed?

A: Construction is expected to begin in mid-September. WCRC's goal is to complete the work by the mid-October 2020.

Q: Why are you doing this project now?

A: The culvert under Old US-12 in this location is deteriorating and needs to be replaced. The structure is weight-restricted and now is the time to replace it.

Q: Do you plan to resurface Old US-12 Road during this project?

A: Yes, but only a small section of road near the culvert will be resurfaced.

Due to funding limitations, this project is focused on the replacement of this aging, weight-restricted culvert. Approximately 100 feet of new asphalt pavement will be placed during this project, covering the culvert and culvert approaches.

Q: Will I have access to the Sylvan Township Hall during construction?

A: Access will always be maintained to Sylvan Township Hall and the Michigan State Police Sylvan Detachment from the southwest.

However, no traffic will be allowed to cross the culvert location once that work has started.

Q: Will Old US-12 Road be open to through traffic during construction?

A: No. When construction work begins, Old US-12 Road at the culvert will be closed to through-traffic. Motorists and other road users will be required to follow the posted detour or seek an alternate route.

Sylvan Township Hall and the Michigan State Police Sylvan Detachment will be accessible from the southwest throughout construction.



Q: Will area utilities be affected?

A: All known utilities in conflict were relocated prior to construction.

Q: Will my lawn be restored once construction is completed?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible to grow grass wherever the ground has been disturbed as part of the project.