



## **Route MM Highway Improvement Project**

**A project to improve Route MM from west of Geerdes Road to Miller Road and east of Sycamore Springs Road to Buckeye Valley Road**

### **Why does this work need to be done?**

In July 2006, MoDOT finished an improvement project on Route MM from approximately .2 miles east of Duda Drive to approximately .3 miles east of Sycamore Springs Road. Previously, that section of road was very hilly, narrow and winding, with a number of entrances, no shoulders and limited sight distance. These factors led to safety issues on the roadway, and that stretch of Route MM had accident rates more than double the statewide average.

After that project was completed, there was a push to have the remaining portion of Route MM improved in a similar fashion. Missouri has received Federal money to make similar improvements along Route MM (from west of Geerdes Road to west of Miller Road and from east of Sycamore Springs Road to Buckeye Valley Road). The project is currently in the planning stage, although construction could be starting in late 2008.

### **What Is The Proposed Solution?**

MoDOT is proposing to flatten the curves and lower the crests on Route MM, match the design from the previously completed improvement project, install guardrail where needed, and add left-turn lanes at Heads Creek Road and the entrance to the House Springs Intermediate School.

### **How Was This Location Selected To Receive Improvements?**

The project includes work identified in the Major Transportation Improvement Analysis (MTIA) for the existing Route MM.

### **Where Does The Project Stand Today?**

MoDOT is moving forward with design work so that construction can begin after right of way has been acquired. MoDOT will be prepared to proceed with right of way acquisition as early as fall 2007. Construction could begin in late 2008.

## Estimated Project Cost:

- Estimated construction cost to complete MTIA approved work on the existing Route MM: **\$13 million**

## Current Project Timeline

<b>April 24, 2007</b>	Hold a public hearing to inform the public about the project and gather input on the proposed improvements.
<b>Fall 2007</b>	MoDOT will proceed with right of way acquisition.
<b>Late 2008</b>	Construction could begin.
<b>Late 2009/Early 2010</b>	Construction could be complete.

## Who Do I Contact For More Information?

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