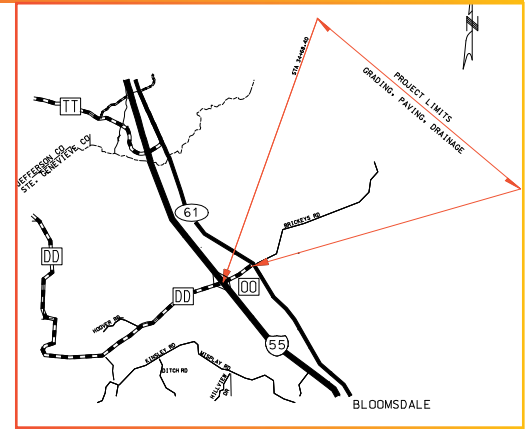




Public Hearing
Ste. Genevieve County
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Route OO Improvements

What's the problem?

It isn't really a problem that Holcim is opening North America's largest cement manufacturing plant in Ste. Genevieve County next year. But with a big plant comes big transportation needs. Traffic on Route OO is expected to increase and see heavier truck traffic, so it must be ready.

What's the solution?

MoDOT is working to improve the roadways adjacent to the plant, so that commercial traffic has improved access from both the north and south and existing traffic has safe, adequate pavement once additional traffic is included. Three projects are currently in the works to improve those adjacent roadways. On Route OO MoDOT plans to widen and resurface with concrete from I-55 to Route 61 as well as remove a hill to increase sight distance.

What's the anticipated timeframe?

Right-of-Way: Fall 2008
Contract Awarded: Late 2008
Construction Starts: Spring 2009
Construction Complete: Late 2009

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What about traffic during construction?

During construction, Route OO will be closed. The route will be widened and resurfaced with concrete. The very nature of the operation means there will be times when traffic cannot be allowed to drive on the route. MoDOT will work with the contractor to ensure local traffic is accommodated, but the route will be closed to thru traffic.

Road work in itself is usually inconvenient for drivers. We want to work with motorists to lessen the inconvenience, but we must also be good stewards of tax dollars and ensure the product constructed is the best quality possible.

Closing the road generally guarantees lower prices and a safer work area. Plus construction without the concern of traffic control often means the job can be constructed more quickly, reducing the inconvenience to motorists in the long run.

During construction, we'll alert drivers prior to any changes in traffic. We ask for your patience and caution as we work to make these necessary improvements.



Planned Upgrade

Three Projects Routes 61, TT, 00

