

Route P resurfacing and sidewalk project

What is the current situation?

The Missouri Department of Transportation has a project scheduled to resurface Route P between Gravois (Route 30) and Watson Road (Route 366) in 2022. During that project, the department is also making updates to the roadway's pedestrian facilities. The current raised shoulder originally intended for pedestrian use will be removed and replaced with proper sidewalks making them compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. In addition, the department is looking at adding new crosswalks, removing another and constructing several updated pedestrian signals.

Where is the department updating pedestrian crossings?

The proposal adds crosswalks at the signalized intersections at Rogers Middle School, Heege, Affton High School and Weber. It also updates the pedestrian signal near St. Dominic's to a high-intensity activated crosswalk – also known as a HAWK. This updated signal provides a safer mid-block crossing, using flashing lights to alert traffic to pedestrians crossing the roadway, or desiring to do so. The department is also looking at removing the unsignalized pedestrian crossings between Affton High School and Weber Road.

What other signal improvements will be made?

Many of the signals along the corridor will be converted to allow permissive left turns during lower traffic by using flashing yellow arrows. The signal at Route P and Route 366 will be rebuilt and the lanes on Route P approaching Route 366 will be reconfigured.

What bike facilities will be included in this project?

Since traffic volumes along Route P are fairly high, Route P will remain signed to remind drivers to share the road with cyclists.

What are the impacts?

There should be minimal impacts to drivers – they can expect one lane closed in either direction during non-peak traffic hours as crews work on sidewalks and driveways. Business owners with multiple driveway will have at least one access point into their business at all times through construction. Crews will work on half of the access point at a time when there is only one entrance/exit from a business. Residential driveways are too small to complete one at a time – driveways will need to be

closed for several days at a time. We anticipate that the contractor will be able to share a general timeframe when they anticipate being in the area -- probably about a week or two in advance.

What is the timeline?

Event	Time
Preliminary plans	Completed
Public Hearing	December 15, 2020
Right of Way process starts	Spring 2021
Project awarded	Spring 2022
Construction begins	Late spring 2022
Construction complete	Late fall 2023