

CITY OF PONTIAC

MDOT Road Construction Update

March 21, 2023



SCOPE OF PROJECT

In January, Council approved a resolution to enter into a contract with MDOT for redesign construction of Woodward Avenue at South Boulevard. This intersection has proven to be extremely hazardous leading to accidents and fatalities for motorists and pedestrians. The redesign of this intersection will:

- 1. stop left turns at that point and instead will require drivers to perform "Michigan Left" turns in all directions.
- 2. modernize the traffic signals as has been previously done with several other City intersections.
- 3. alter the southbound lanes of Woodward Avenue, so it is no longer a straight shot, in order to make room for the left-turn turnarounds.



SCOPE OF PROJECT (cont.)

Specific construction includes:

U-turn construction Hot mix asphalt paving

Earthwork Concrete curb and gutters

Embankment and subbase work Signal upgrades

Storm sewer and drainage Traffic maintenance work



Traffic Restrictions

There will be restrictions that will affect motorists in that area:

- Southbound Woodward will be completely closed to traffic at the railroad crossing south of the Woodward Loop starting March 27th
- 2. Northbound Woodward will remain open, with one lane of traffic closed, two thru lanes open.
- 3. Delays are expected during morning and afternoon drive times
- 4. Access into businesses will be maintained



Timeline

∘ 3/13/23 Construction Begins

∘ 3/27 to 5/26/23 Full closure of SB Woodward from railroad tracks to

South Blvd.

∘ 7/30/23 Road fully open to traffic

∘ 11/15/23 All road and traffic signal work will be completed

Spring 2024 Tree Planting

Summer 24 & 25 Watering Trees





Project Cost

This construction will be paid primarily through MDOT safety funding and is based on competitive application. It is specifically designated for providing safer roads and intersections, as well as more efficient roadway corridors. This project goes through the MDOT bidding process for awards and funding:

Total project cost: \$3,886,000

Work is being done with federal safety funds that MDOT has received

Federal aid amount: \$3,497,400

Balance of \$388,600 is *split between* the State and the City of Pontiac

Pontiac is required to pay 12.5% or \$48,600 and will be billed as the project progresses

This will be paid with funds from the 2022/2023 Major Road Fund (202-463-974.074)



MDOT CONSTRUCTION CONTACTS

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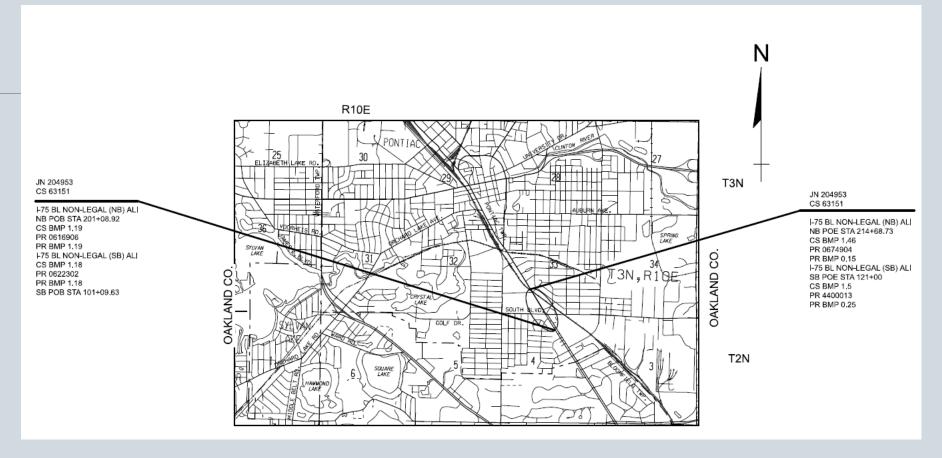
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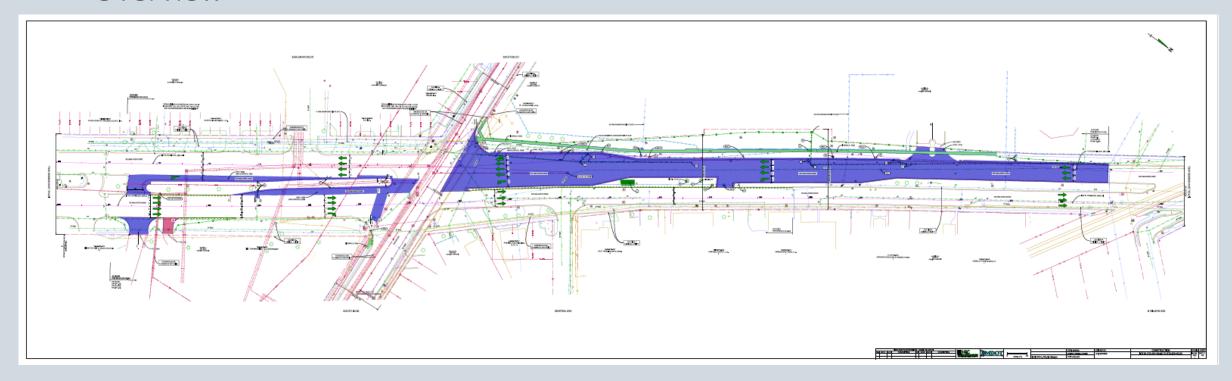
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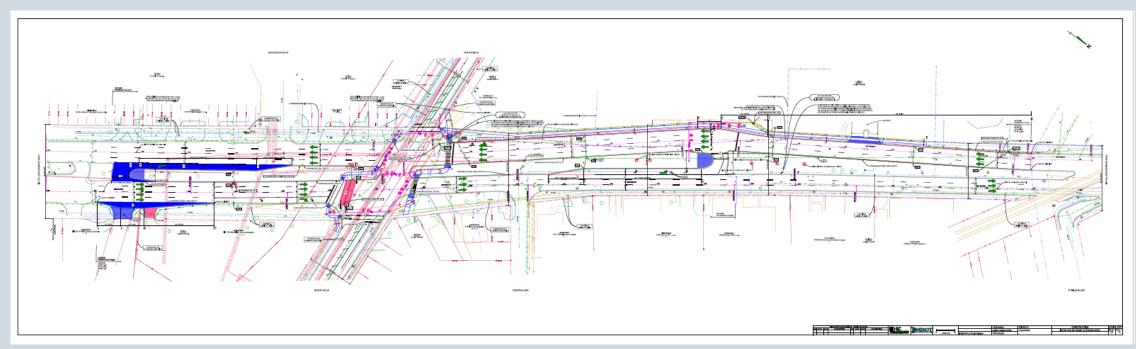
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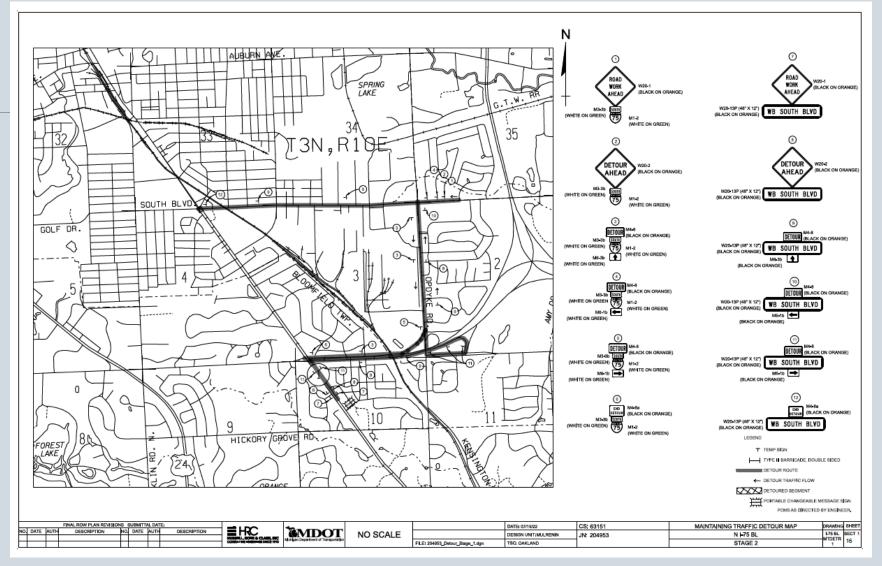
Intersection Construction Overview



Post-Construction Configuration (elimination of left turns)



SB Woodward Detour (to access South Blvd.)



SB Woodward Detour (Orchard Lake to Telegraph to EB Square Lake Rd, back to SB Woodward)

