



PURPOSE OF TODAY'S MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is to present information about proposed improvements to the intersection of Fields Ertel Road & Conrey Road, Fields Ertel Road and McCauly Road, and Fields Ertel Road and Butler-Warren Road in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio. This handout provides information about the proposed improvements at the Fields Ertel Road & Conrey Road intersection. The Hamilton County Engineer's Office is interested in your input and encourages you to provide feedback on the proposed project. Project team members are available at the meeting to discuss the project and answer questions.

Please submit comments by February 23rd, 2020 so that they may be included in the public involvement summary. You may fill out a comment form at the meeting, email your comments to todd.gadbury@hamilton-co.org, or mail written comments to:

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Project Description

Hamilton County is proposing to improve the intersection of Fields Ertel Road and Conrey Road by converting the intersection to a modern roundabout (see back of handout). The project will also include curb, drainage improvements, and resurfacing.

Purpose and Need

The purpose of the project is to reduce congestion at the Fields Ertel Road and Conrey Road intersection and to improve system linkage within Hamilton, Butler, and Warren Counties. A comparison of capacity analyses is below.

TIME	EXISTING CONDITION	ROUNDABOUT
2022 AM	F / 52.5 SEC (NB)	A / 6.5 SEC
2022 AM	F / 197.3 SEC (NB)	A / 6.0 SEC
2042 AM	F / >1000.0 SEC (NB)	B / 12.0 SEC
2042 AM	F / >1000.0 SEC (NB)	B / 13.0 SEC



Funding

Hamilton County is the project sponsor. Funding has not yet been identified for this project.

Environmental Studies

An Environmental Overview was prepared for the project in October 2018 to identify key environmental resources and constraints in the study area. If federal funds end up being utilized, the project would need to follow ODOT procedures in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Proposed Schedule

- Stage 1 Design Completed August 2019
- Stage 2/3 Design April 2020
- Final Design August 2020
- Anticipated Start of Construction TBD

Construction Traffic

The construction schedule for this project has not been determined yet. The maintenance of traffic plan will likely require Conrey Road to be closed for part of construction, but Fields Ertel Road is anticipated to remain open to traffic.

Right-of-Way Purchase

Some new right-of-way will be needed for this project, but the exact limits have not been finalized yet. A right-of-way representative from Hamilton County will contact you soon should the project affect your property or lands.





RECOMMENDED PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE - ROUNDABOUT



Previous Public Input

The Hamilton County Engineer's Office held an open house public meeting on April 11th, 2019 to provide information and collect feedback on proposed improvements to the intersections of Fields Ertel Road and McCauly Road, Fields Ertel Road and Conrey Road, and Fields Ertel Road and Butler-Warren Road. A total of 99 people signed in as attending the meeting. Comments were accepted at the meeting and for 30 days following the meeting through mail, email, and over the phone. A total of 50 comments were received and 19 of these comments pertained to the Fields Ertel Road and Conrey Road intersection. A summary of comments received for this intersection is provided below.

CONCERNS FOR THE INTERSECTION	NO. OF PEOPLE AGREEING WITH CONCERN
SAFETY	8
CONGESTION	11
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING	1

Preferred Alternative Selection

A modern roundabout is the recommended preferred alternative for this project because the roundabout best addresses the safety and congestion concerns. The roundabout is also more efficient during off peak hours and has lower operations and maintenance costs.