

Frequently Asked Questions

How will I know if ODOT plans to purchase my property?

ODOT has already bought the land they need and moved utilities for the roadwork. They won't need any more land.

When will construction start?

Construction is set to begin in Spring of 2026.

How will the project be built?

The road will stay open while the construction is happening. They will work in stages to keep traffic moving. There will be one lane open in each direction during construction.

Will there be noise walls?

No noise walls will be constructed.

The noise study looked at how noise from traffic might affect 91 houses, an OSU extension office, three churches, a boxing gym, a VFW hall, and a bar. The current traffic (in 2022) doesn't cause any noise problems based on the noise limits set. In the future (with traffic in 2042), one place might get close to the noise limit of 67 dB, but the noise increase will be very small (1.5 dB). In the future, two places will have noise levels over 67 dB, but again, the increase in noise won't be huge (the largest increase will be 9.4 dB).

ODOT investigated putting up noise barriers to help with the noise, but the two places with the most noise problems are far apart. One is a travel trailer that might be affected by the new project. Because there are not many houses in the area, and people need to access their property, building a large noise barrier that would reduce the noise by 7 dB is not practical or needed. So, no noise barriers are recommended.

Will I still be able to get to my home or property during construction?

Yes, you'll still be able to get to your home, business, or property during construction. Sometimes, temporary driveways might be needed until the permanent ones are fixed.

What happens next? What is the project schedule?

You can share your thoughts on the project until March 25, 2025. ODOT has already bought the land and moved utilities. Construction is scheduled to start in Spring of 2026.