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Resurfacing of Wehrle Drive from Harlem Road to Aero Drive
Town of Amherst, Erie County
PIN 5763.31

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND COMMENT PERIOD

This notice is in regard to a pavement resurfacing project on Wehrle Drive between Harlem Road and Aero Drive in the Town of Amherst. Erie County is soliciting input and comment from the public on the proposed improvements. There will be no formal public meeting for this project due to COVID-19 restrictions, however information regarding the project scope is included in the attached pamphlet as well as being available on the following website beginning Monday July 12, 2021: www.cscos.com/WehrleDrive

The Project includes:

- Full pavement resurfacing between Harlem and Aero
- Shoulder widening east of Cayuga Drive.
- Pavement reconstruction at the east approach of the Forest/Beach intersection
- Replacement of concrete pavement at the Cayuga Drive intersection.
- Introduction of a slip ramp at the Aero Drive intersection.
- Upgrades to sidewalk ramps at all intersections to meet ADA guidelines.
- Improved access for pedestrians and bicyclists along the entire project corridor.



Interested commuters, residents, and the general public are encouraged to review the written and graphical documentation available. Comments or questions may be directed to the County's project manager. The County will accept comments via phone, e-mail, or written comments postmarked by Friday July 30, 2021. Feel free to use the attached comment form or complete the comment form found on the website listed above. If you require additional language services, please contact Erie County at the address below.

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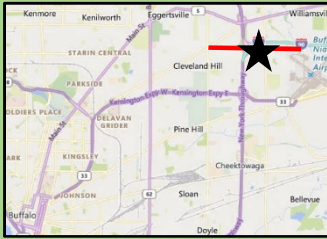
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Project Location



Anticipated Project Schedule

July 2021

Complete Preliminary Design



October 2021

Complete Detailed Design



April 2022

Construction Begins



November 2022

Construction Complete

NEED FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- Correct poor pavement conditions including cracking, utility patches, and edge of pavement/shoulder conditions.
- The concrete pavement at the Wehrle/Cayuga intersection has reached the end of its useful life.
- Minor drainage concerns at a few locations.
- Minor accident concerns at the Forest/Beach intersection.
- Lack of pedestrian accommodations within several sections along the corridor.
- Most sidewalk ramps do not meet current ADA standards.

PROJECT DETAILS

- Repave the roadway with new asphalt (up to 3½" thick) and fix the pavement edges.
- Replace the concrete pavement at the Cayuga Drive intersection with an asphalt pavement section.
- Reconstruct the east approach of the Forest/Beach intersection to provide a solid pavement section.
- Stripe new dedicated left turn lanes at the Forest/Beach intersection to improve capacity and reduce accidents.
- Shoulder widening from Cayuga to Aero to provide a minimum 4-foot wide shoulder for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Sidewalk ramp replacement to update the entire corridor to meet ADA guidelines.
- Installation of a slip ramp at Aero Drive to improve traffic movements in the eastbound direction.



For further information, please contact:

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Estimated Construction Cost: 2.675 M

This project is primarily funded by the Federal Highway Administration



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Project Location

2.5 miles of Wehrle Drive from Harlem Road (NY 240) to Aero Drive (CR 324)
Town of Amherst, Erie County

Project Objectives

1. Correct identified pavement deficiencies that will extend the useful life of the roadway and maintain them in a structurally sound condition by replacing the oxidized, deteriorated pavement surface.
2. Upgrade handicap accessibility by replacing curbs with sidewalk ramps, installing detectable warning mats, and replacing linear sidewalk sections to the extent possible under this maintenance project.
3. Improve pedestrian and bicycle access throughout the project corridor.
4. Improve traffic operations with minor lane configuration changes.
5. Replace/enhance pavement markings.



Shoulder Conditions

Maintenance of Traffic During Construction

Traffic will be maintained on-site with daily lane closures and/or the use of flag persons or temporary signals to control alternating one-way traffic. There should be minimal delays to motorists. At the end of each working day,



Pavement at Cayuga Drive

the road will be reopened to all lanes, with traffic driving on the milled or paved surface. Some limitations in milling and paving operations will be included to minimize the amount of exposure the milled surfaces will have to traffic. Access to businesses and residences will be maintained at all times.

Advance notification to property owners, commuters, school districts, and emergency service providers will be made prior to conducting any road work requiring lane closures.

Detailed Project Description

The project will primarily consist of pavement resurfacing within this segment, with minor improvements to the drainage system and upgrading sidewalk ramps to meet ADA guidelines. A minimum 4-foot shoulder will be provided along the entire segment to provide increased accessibility for pedestrians and bicyclists. This will require widening the shoulders on the section between Cayuga Drive and Aero Drive. Some areas



Non-compliant curb ramps

of sidewalk will be installed and connected to shoulders to ensure full pedestrian access is provided within the entire corridor. More significant pavement reconstruction work will be included at the east approach of



Poor bike/ped conditions

the Forest Road/Beach Road intersection and the Cayuga Drive intersection, where the existing concrete pavement will be replaced with new asphalt pavement. A new slip ramp will also be added at the Aero Drive intersection to improve traffic conditions in the eastbound direction. All work will be performed using lane closures and intermittent one-way traffic. No detours are anticipated. These improvements are aimed at addressing the infrastructure needs of maintaining the pavement surface and drainage features while offering enhancements to pedestrian and bicycle safety and ADA accessibility. It will also enhance the corridor both aesthetically and economically.

PLEASE TAPE SHUT – DO NOT STAPLE

WRITTEN COMMENTS FORM

This form is provided for the purpose of making your concerns known to the reviewing agencies that will approve the project work. Please indicate the date, your name and address, and state your concerns on this form.

Please mail the completed form to the address below. Please return the form, folded and taped so that the return address is clearly visible.

Thank you for expressing your comments.

From: _____

Place Stamp Here

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