

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Custer JP 31842(04) I-40 Exit 65/65A in Clinton

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

If your property will be affected, an ODOT- authorized agent will contact you in the future. It is anticipated that R/W acquisition for this project will begin in 2021, although this schedule is dependent on funding and subject to change. No residential or commercial relocations are anticipated under either alternative. Click on the following link for additional information about ODOT's policy regarding property rights.

[ODOT Property Rights Brochure](#)

What is the process if ODOT needs some of my property?

ODOT will obtain an independent appraisal and present a fair market value offer for your property Click on the following link for additional information about ODOT's policies regarding property rights right-of-way acquisition.

[ODOT Property Rights Brochure](#)

What if ODOT needs temporary access for construction or a maintenance easement?

Sometimes ODOT will need temporary access or an easement to maintain the highway and drainage structures. Owners will be compensated for temporary right-of-way and for maintenance easements. In these cases, you will maintain ownership of the property. If your property will be affected, an ODOT- authorized agent will contact you.

When will ODOT start buying property?

Right-of-way acquisition for this project is anticipated to start in 2021. However, the schedule is dependent on funding and subject to change.

When is construction scheduled to begin?

Construction is anticipated to begin in 2024. However, the schedule is dependent on funding and subject to change.

What are the main differences between the alternatives?

Alternative 2D is a standard diamond interchange. This is commonly used design. It will provide access to and from I-40 and Gary Boulevard in all directions. The existing loop ramps at Neptune Drive will be removed and traffic wanting to access Neptune Drive from I-40 or vice versa will use the interchange at Gary Boulevard and new frontage roads. A free-flow turnaround lane will be provided to facilitate access.

Alternative 9B is a folded diamond interchange, similar to what is currently in place at Neptune Drive. It will provide access to and from I-40 and Gary Boulevard in all directions. The existing loop ramps at Neptune Drive will remain. Frontage roads will not be constructed. Alternative 9B has more closely spaced ramps and is not as desirable from a safety perspective as Alternative 2D. Alternative 9B also has a higher construction cost.

How will the project be built?

I-40 and Gary Boulevard will remain open during construction and phased construction will be utilized to maintain traffic. At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained throughout construction.

Will noise walls be included in the project?

When the design is further along ODOT will conduct a Traffic Noise Study according to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ODOT policies and procedures using FHWA Traffic Noise Model version 2.5. This study will identify any anticipated noise impacts and the feasibility and reasonableness of noise walls, if necessary.

Will there be access to my home and property during construction?

Yes, access to homes, businesses, and property adjacent to the project will be maintained during all phases of construction. In some cases, temporary drives may be required until permanent drives can be restored.

How will the new interchange be signed?

It is anticipated that the new interchange, regardless of the alternative selected, will continue to be signed as Exit 65 and 65A.