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MDOT public open house Feb. 13 for Gladwin County projects

MT. PLEASANT, Mich. – The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) invites the public to attend an open house to learn more about upcoming projects in Gladwin County. These projects include the construction of a new permanent M-30 bridge over the Tobacco River, the resurfacing of M-18, and culvert work along M-61, M-30, M-20 and M-18. The Gladwin County Road Commission will also provide information on its 2024 projects for primary and local roadways.

Who:

Community stakeholders

City representatives

Local businesses

Interested residents

MDOT staff and contractors

When:

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Where:

Gladwin County Road Commission

301 S. State Street

Gladwin, MI 48624

Accessibility:

Attendees who require mobility, visual, hearing, written, or other assistance for effective participation should contact Orlando Curry at 517-241-7462 or CurryO@Michigan.gov, preferably at least five business days prior to the scheduled meeting. Forms are located on the [Title VI webpage](#). Requests made after this timeframe will be evaluated and honored to the extent possible.

Project information:

MDOT and the Gladwin County Road Commission will provide information on upcoming projects taking place in 2024 at this open house. Attendees will be able to view project

information and provide input on proposed improvements. Staff from MDOT and the Gladwin County Road Commission will be present and available to answer questions.

MDOT will be highlighting the following three major projects:

M-30 over the Tobacco River: As a result of flooding and the Edenville dam breach in May 2020, the M-30 causeway bridge near Stryker's Marina was washed away. To restore mobility quickly, MDOT staff installed a temporary bridge structure that opened to traffic in March 2021. The temporary bridge has been in place while staff determined the long-term needs of a replacement structure and began design work.

MDOT will invest approximately \$12 million to remove the current temporary bridge and construct a permanent 3-span bridge over the Tobacco River.

Bridge construction is expected to begin in March 2024. During construction, the bridge will be closed to traffic. Traffic will be detoured via Curits Road to M-18 to Dale Road and back to M-30. A truck detour will detour traffic via US-10 to M-18 to M-61 back to M-30.

M-18 Resurfacing: MDOT will invest approximately \$4 million to mill and resurface 17.62 miles of M-18 from First Street to the Gladwin and Roscommon County Line. This project will also include sidewalk ramps, shoulder gravel, pavement markings and slope restoration work.

Work is expected to begin in **September 2024**. Traffic will be maintained using traffic regulators.

Culvert Work: MDOT is investing approximately \$6 million to improve 76 miles of culverts in Gladwin County. This project includes culver replacements, lining, riprap, slope stabilization, ditch cleanout, culvert cleanout, scour countermeasures, guardrail installation, and pavement marking work.

Work will be done in areas along M-61 from Bard Road to west of the Gladwin and Bay County line, M-30 from west of Stillwagon Road to north of Twin Lake Road, M-20 from west of 11 Mile Road to west of 9 Mile Road, and M-18 from Coolidge Road to east of Shearer Road.

Work is expected to begin in April 2024. Traffic will be maintained using traffic regulators and lane shifts, depending on location.

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**Stay focused and safe!
Slow down, stay alert, and give plows room to work.**