

INFO MEETING WILL BE OCT. 3 FOR PLANNED FARR STREET CULVERT REPLACEMENT

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), in partnership with Commerce Township, will conduct a public information meeting Tuesday, Oct. 3, about the planned 2024 replacement of two culverts that carry Farr Street over the Huron River between Broadway and Elkin streets.

MEETING DETAILS

Date/time: Tuesday, Oct. 3, 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Meeting details: The meeting will be open-house format; there will not be a formal presentation. Anyone interested can review plans and talk with RCOC staff at any time during the meeting.

Location: Commerce Elementary School, 520 Farr Street, Commerce Township, MI 48382.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project will include:

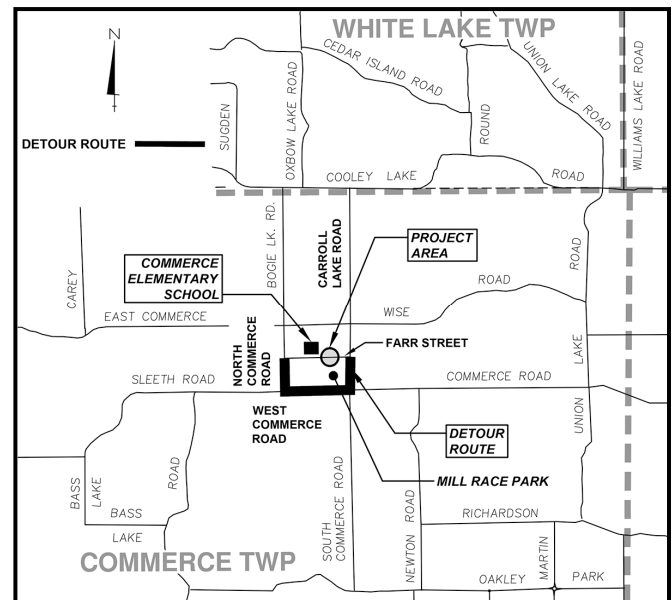
- Removal of two failing nine-foot metal culverts beneath Farr Street and replacing them with two new culverts.
- The new culverts will be longer, allowing for future sidewalk installation on the north side of the road.
- Paving Farr Street between Broadway and Elkin streets with asphalt.
- Placing curbs and gutters in the area of the culvert.
- Drainage improvements.
- New pathway access to Mill Race Park.

IMPACT ON TRAFFIC

- Farr Street will be closed to through traffic during construction.
- Access to homes and businesses will be maintained at all times.
- The **detour route** during the closure will be: Carroll Lake Road to West Commerce Road to North Commerce Road, back to Farr Street and vice versa.

SCHEDULE

- Tree removal will take place in winter 2024.
- Minor utility work will take place in spring 2024.



- Full closure for road work expected to start in July of 2024 and be completed in September.

PROJECT COST AND FUNDING

The project will cost approximately \$1.25 million and will be paid for with Michigan Local Bridge Program funds as well as RCOC dollars.

PUBLIC INPUT SOUGHT

RCOC is requesting public input to recognize and address concerns about the temporary use of Mill Race Park during this project. RCOC is proposing a “temporary non-conforming use” of the park as regulated under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966. Please submit comments by **Oct. 20, 2023**.

Comments and concerns may be submitted via email to the RCOC Design Division at design@rcoc.org, by phone at (877) 858-4804 or in person at this public meeting.

Anyone wishing to attend the meeting who requires special accommodations in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Title VI, including those requiring language assistance, should call RCOC at 248-645-2000 and ask to be directed to the Engineering Department to submit your request. The Road Commission will provide such services free of charge with reasonable advanced notice.

For more information:

Visit the RCOC Website, www.rcocweb.org: Click on the “Road Projects” icon and select “Farr Street Culvert” from the list of projects.