

## Work Zone Camera installed at Adams, Gunn roundabout

*Camera provides real-time view of construction for public*  
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OAKLAND TOWNSHIP — Although you can't physically see the work underway at Adams and Gunn roads because the intersection is closed to all traffic, anyone can watch the progress of the roundabout construction online, thanks to a new [Work Zone Camera](#).

The camera — which was recently installed at the Oakland Township roundabout — provides a real-time view of the construction, according to officials from the Road Commission for Oakland County.

"We've been doing these now for about three years ... and they are very well-received," said Craig Bryson, a spokesman for the Road Commission. "People seem to like the fact that they can watch the progress of the work."



Viewers can head to the RCOC website to see the work at [www.rcocweb.org](http://www.rcocweb.org) by clicking on the "[Adams/Gunn Construction Work Zone Camera](#)" link in the "Helpful Links" section at the bottom of the homepage.

The camera takes a photo every 15 minutes between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., so site visitors can view photos of the project or a time-lapse series that combines all photos taken in succession.

Steve Wheeler, an RCOC electrician technician, said he typically installs work zone cameras about 300 feet from what he wants viewers to see.

"They are pretty rugged, they are sealed very tight and they are weatherproof," he said.

Bryson said the RCOC will produce a compilation of all photos following the completion of the project.

"A lot of times with road projects, it's difficult to see the progress if you are at ground level. Sometimes you see a crew there and sometimes you don't, so it's hard to tell if anything is really happening," he said. "The interesting thing — from this perspective and with the time-lapse ability — is there's no question that there is work going on, and how much work is going on. It really just gives you a really good impression of the extent of the work involved and how much work has taken place."

The construction of the roundabout began June 17, and Bryson said it will be completed by approximately Aug. 31.

During construction, the intersection is closed to all traffic. The detour route for Adams Road traffic is Tienken Road to Rochester Road to Orion Road to Silverbell Road and back to Adams. The detour route for Gunn Road traffic is Kern Road to Silverbell Road to Adams Road to Tienken Road to Rochester Road to Orion Road and back to Gunn.

Once the work is completed, the new roundabout will include two lanes for Adams Road traffic and one lane for Gunn Road traffic. The project also includes the installation of curbs and gutters, and drainage improvements. High-intensity activated crosswalk pedestrian crossing beacons will be installed at the pedestrian crosswalks on the north leg of the roundabout.

The overall project will cost approximately \$2 million, with \$600,000 funded through a federal safety grant. Officials said the remainder will be shared by the Road Commission and Oakland Township.

For more information, including a detour map, call the Road Commission at (877) 858-4804 or visit [www.rcocweb.org](http://www.rcocweb.org).