

## **M-20 Pedestrian Tunnel Project**

The Oceana County Road Commission is moving forward with a significant infrastructure improvement project along Stony Lake Road (M-20) and 68th Avenue. The project includes the construction of a new pedestrian tunnel beneath Stony Lake Road (M-20), designed to enhance public safety, accessibility, and connectivity for visitors of Lewis Adventure Farm & Zoo. The project is a collaboration between the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Oceana County Road Commission, Shelby Township and Lewis Adventure Farm & Zoo and is being funded by a special allocation obtained from the State of Michigan by Senator Jon Bumstead.

The work includes construction of a pedestrian tunnel beneath Stony Lake Road (M-20), along with roadway reconstruction on both Stony Lake Road (M-20) and 68th Avenue. Project elements include placement of approximately 1,200 tons of hot-mix asphalt (HMA), new aggregate base and sand subbase, concrete curb and gutter, and a concrete shared-use path to support pedestrian and tram travel underneath M-20. Additional improvements include upgraded drainage infrastructure, permanent pavement markings, and turf restoration to ensure long-term durability and environmental stability.

The Oceana County Road Commission appreciates the public's patience during construction and remains committed to delivering safe, efficient, and accessible transportation facilities for all users.

The project is anticipated to begin on March 9<sup>th</sup> with an interim completion date of Mid-May of 2026, where the road will be open for traffic, and a final completion date of Late August in 2026.

### **Traffic Impacts and Detour Routes**

During the construction phase, both **M-20 and 68th Avenue will be closed to through traffic**. Signed detour routes will be in place for the duration of the closures.

- **M-20 Detour:** Traffic will be directed to utilize **US-31**, then **Shelby Road** or **Winston Road**, to **Oceana Drive**, and then return to **M-20**.
- **68th Avenue Detour:** Traffic will be directed to use **Water Road** to **Arthur Road** to navigate around the closure.

Motorists are encouraged to follow posted detour signage and allow additional travel time. The Road Commission appreciates the public's cooperation and patience as these improvements are completed.

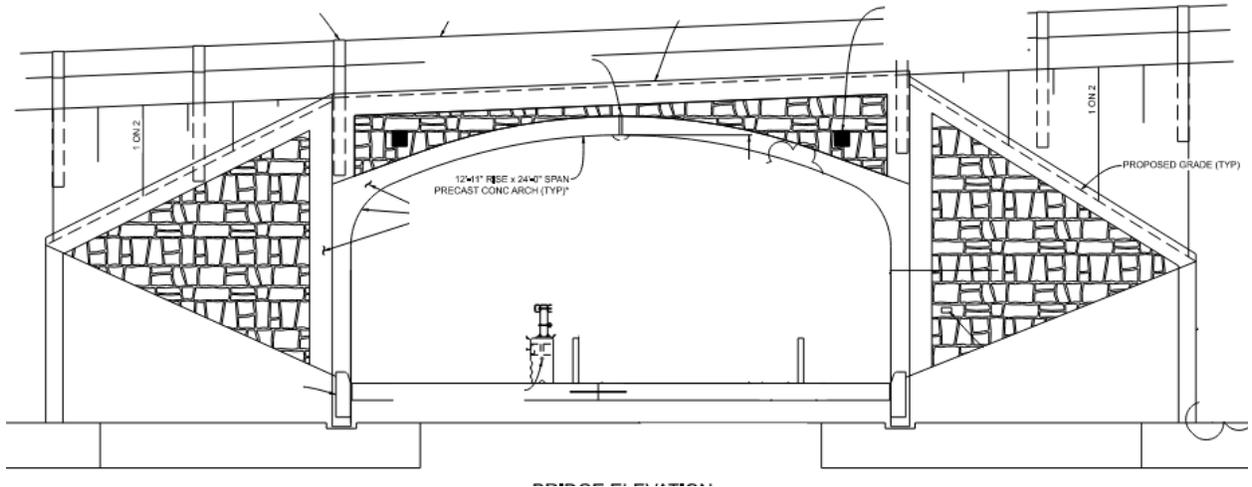


Figure 1: Elevation View of Proposed Tunnel

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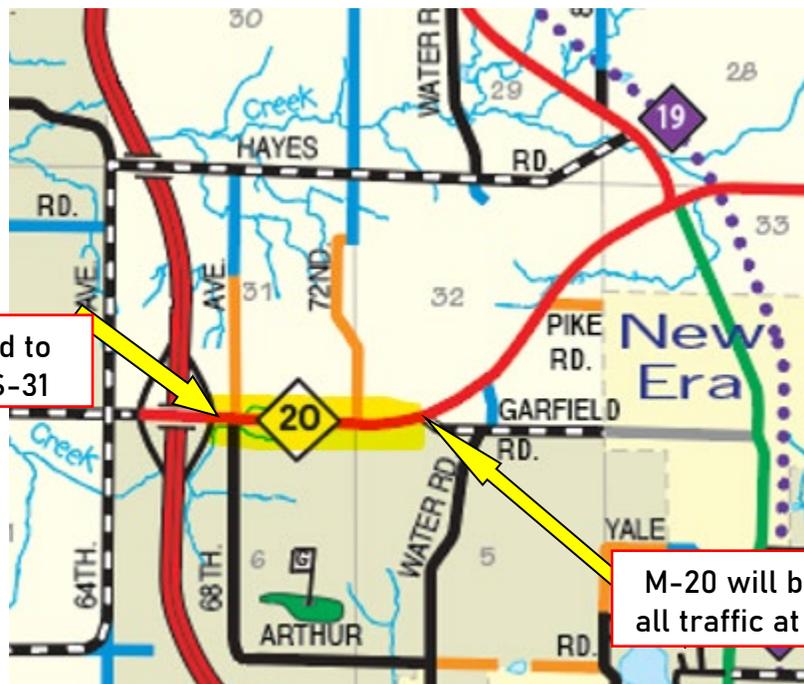
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Date of Notice:	March , 2026
Subject:	<b>ROAD CLOSED TO TRAFFIC</b>
Start Date:	March 9, 2026 @ 7:00 am
Anticipated End Date:	May 17, 2026, by 5:00 pm
Reason:	Road Work
Township:	Shelby & Grant
Project location:	M-20 in between US-31 and Garfield Rd
Closure Details:	This work will require the road to be completely shut down, and traffic will be directed to take US-31 up to Shelby Rd to Oceana Dr, and back to M-20.

Road will be closed to all traffic. USE ALTERNATE ROUTE.

***Local residents will be able to access their homes from either side of the closure.***



If you have questions or issues, please call the Road Commission at (231) 873-4226. Thank you for your patience during this closure!