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Governor Walker approves WIS 47/County OO intersection improvements in Outagamie County

Project begins Monday, June 19

(Appleton) As part of his efforts to create jobs and make sure Wisconsin is open for business, Governor Scott Walker recently approved \$3 million to improve the WIS 47 (Richmond Street) and County OO (Northland Avenue) intersection in the city of Appleton, Outagamie County. The project is scheduled to start Monday, June 19 and finish by September 1, 2017.

Vinton Construction Company of Manitowoc, Wis. is the prime contractor.

Project improvements

- Reconstructing the intersection of WIS 47 and County OO to a multi-lane roundabout
- Adding separate, right-turn lanes on Mason Street at the County OO intersection
- Repaving County OO
- Traffic signals upgrades at the County OO intersections with Mason Street, West Service Road and Bennett Street.

Traffic impacts

- The intersection of WIS 47/County OO in Appleton will be closed for up to 75 days to expedite construction. Local access to adjacent businesses and residents will be provided at all times.
- A signed detour route will be in place to route through traffic around the project.
- Detour route for WIS 47 will be WIS 96 to Ballard Road (County E) to I-41.
- Detour route for County OO will be I-41 to Ballard Road (County E).
- Traffic will be reduced to a single lane at the Mason Street intersection for 40 days.

Project benefits

The WIS 47/County OO intersection has a high, injury crash rate and capacity concerns. The city of Appleton identified the intersection as one of the most dangerous intersections in the city. The multilane roundabout is designed to improve both traffic flow and safety by replacing closely spaced traffic signals. The project will also improve safety with upgraded signals at the Mason Street, Bennet Street and West Service Road, and provide improved pavement conditions for motorists along County OO.

For more project information, please see the WIS 47/OO Project webpage:

- <https://projects.511wi.gov/47-oo/>

You can follow this project throughout construction on the Northeast Region Weekly Highway Construction Update website:

- <https://projects.511wi.gov/weeklyupdates-ne/>

For information on how to drive a multi-lane roundabout, please see the WisDOT roundabout website:

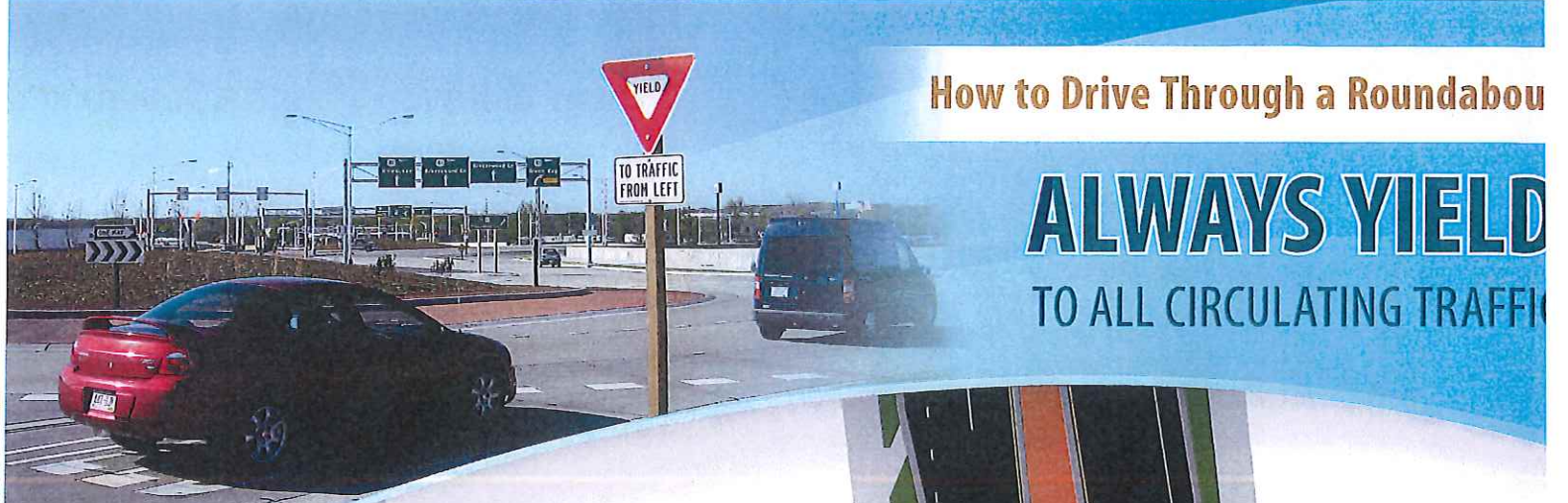
- www.wisconsinroundabouts.gov.

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How to Drive Through a Roundabout

ALWAYS YIELD TO ALL CIRCULATING TRAFFIC



KEY

-  Stopped/At Fault
-  Yielding
-  Circulating



YIELD

The "Golden Rule" of roundabouts.

Drivers entering a roundabout must yield to circulating traffic, pedestrians and bicyclists.

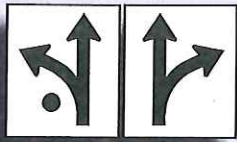
Drivers in the circle have the right of way. A motorist approaching a roundabout should wait for a safe gap in traffic before entering.



How to Drive Through a Roundabout

CHOOSE YOUR LANE

BEFORE ENTERING A
ROUNDBOUNT



Drivers in the outside (right) lane are not allowed to turn left, they must exit the roundabout. Drivers in the left lane may exit or turn left.

As with any other intersection, the proper lane must be chosen before entering a roundabout.

In advance of the roundabout, signs and pavement markings will always indicate which lanes may be used for the direction you want to go.

Keep left to turn left through the roundabout and keep right to turn right.

Never change lanes within a roundabout.



In this type of crash, the driver of the RED car is at fault for failing to obey the lane use signs and choosing the incorrect lane.

Drivers wishing to turn left **must** be in the left (inside) lane before entering the roundabout.

Multiple signs and pavement markings on every approach remind drivers of the need to choose the proper lane. Failure to use the proper lane can result in a ticket or a crash.

