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Major Construction on South Sprinkle Road in 2021

KALAMAZOO, MI – The Road Commission of Kalamazoo County (RCKC) will be performing major construction on South Sprinkle Road between Milham Avenue and N Avenue. The nearly \$2.5 million project covering 1.2 miles of roadway will primarily consist of surface milling, hot mix asphalt (HMA) overlay, and culvert work. A single lane in both directions is expected to stay open throughout the duration of the project. South Sprinkle Road will be utilized as a detour route for Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) I-94 project in the area which is being coordinated. (check for updates on that project here: www.Michigan.gov/Drive). Please follow all posted detours. With the influx of detour traffic and reduced lanes we advise to plan for traffic delays in your travel or find an alternate route.

Of the nearly \$2.5 million cost, approximately \$980,000 was secured through federal funding sources. The City of Portage contributed just under \$300,000 to the project cost for watermain work being performed, and the remaining balance is funded through Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF) revenue in the RCKC's budget. The MTF is primarily funded through fuel taxes and vehicle registrations and then distributed according to Public Act 51 of 1951 to the road agencies of Michigan. Work is slated to begin on May 1 and to be completed by October 30, 2021. Work progress is always weather permitting.

Motorists can stay up to date on construction by signing up for RCKC Connect: alerts delivered right to your phone or email. Signing up is easy and can be done at kalamazoocountyroads.com and clicking the "Notify Me" button or call 269-381-3171 for assistance. A South Sprinkle Road public informational meeting will be held on April 14, 2021 via Zoom from 12:00pm to 1:00pm. To access the project meetings by telephone, please dial 646-558-8656 and use Meeting ID 954-2576-6038. To access the project meetings by computer, please follow this link: <https://zoom.us/j/95425766038>.

The RCKC has served as the local road professionals of Kalamazoo County since 1909. RCKC remains committed to our goal of using our expertise, energy, and funds to provide the safest and most convenient road system possible, and to contribute to economic development and high quality of life throughout the county.

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