



# Dixboro Rd Pathway (Phase 2) and Intersection Project

## Project Overview

During this project the Washtenaw County Road Commission (WCRC), in partnership with Ann Arbor Charter Township will:

- Construct a shared-use path along Dixboro Rd from the Matthaei Botanical Gardens entrance to the Marshall Nature Area,
- Install ditches and drainage structures
- Install a mid-block crossing at Gardenview Dr with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs)
- Install pedestrian crossing signals at Plymouth Rd for pathway users.

In addition, WCRC will construct a right turn lane on southbound Dixboro Rd and replace all the traffic signals at the intersection of Dixboro Rd and Plymouth Rd.

## Project Timeline

Some trees need to be removed to accommodate the new pathway. Considering environmental restrictions, these trees will be felled before March 31, 2021.

Pathway construction is expected to start soon after tree removals and be completed by fall 2021.

## For More Information

- Visit the project page and sign-up for email updates at: [wcroads.org/wcrc-project/dixboro-road-pathway/](https://wcroads.org/wcrc-project/dixboro-road-pathway/)
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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q: How is this project funded?

A: Funding for this project is coming from the following sources:

**Pathway:** Ann Arbor Township  
SEMCOG Transportation Alternative Program Grant  
Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission Grant  
Ralph Wilson Legacy Fund Foundation Grant  
Superior Township  
Corporate Donations

### **Plymouth Rd / Dixboro Rd Intersection (signals, right turn lane, pedestrian crossing) Improvements:**

Washtenaw County Road Commission  
Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Grant

### Q: What are the limits of construction?

A: The limits of construction begin at the northern driveway of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens on Dixboro Rd. The trail will travel northward on the east side of Dixboro Rd until Gardenview Dr and then will cross to the west side of Dixboro Rd. It will continue north, cross Plymouth Rd, and then end at the driveway for the Marshall Nature Area.

### Q: When will construction begin/be completed?

A: Some trees near the roadway need to be removed to accommodate proper drainage and pathway design. To comply with environmental considerations, these trees will be felled before March 31, 2021.

Pathway construction will begin after tree removals are complete, most likely in the late spring or early summer.

The project is scheduled to be completed by November 2021.

### Q: Will I have access to my property during construction?

A: Yes. All individuals with property inside the construction area will be provided access to and from their property by the contractor during construction.



**Q: Will Dixboro Rd be open to through traffic during construction?**

A: Yes. Most work can be accomplished with shoulder closures or minor lane restrictions. At times, short road closures using flaggers will be necessary to construct a crossroad culvert and erect the traffic signals. Road advisories will be issued in advance of those short closures.

**Q: Will the intersection of Plymouth Rd and Dixboro Rd be open to traffic during construction?**

A: Yes

**Q: Will area utilities be affected?**

A: There are many utilities within the project area. WCRC is working with area utilities on any potential impacts so those can be mitigated prior to construction. Some relocations are required, and those are expected to be completed before construction begins.

**Q: What will happen with mail delivery and trash pickup?**

A: Mail delivery and garbage collection for residents and property owners who live within the project limits shall be maintained throughout the duration of the project.

**Q: Will the green spaces be restored once construction is completed?**

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible to grow grass wherever the ground has been disturbed as part of the project.