

## Roy Rogers Road (Borchers Drive to Chicken Creek) open house summary

## — ROY ROGERS ROAD — BORCHERS DRIVE TO CHICKEN CREEK

The Roy Rogers Road online open house ran from May 8-24, 2020, receiving 436 visitors and 46 comments.

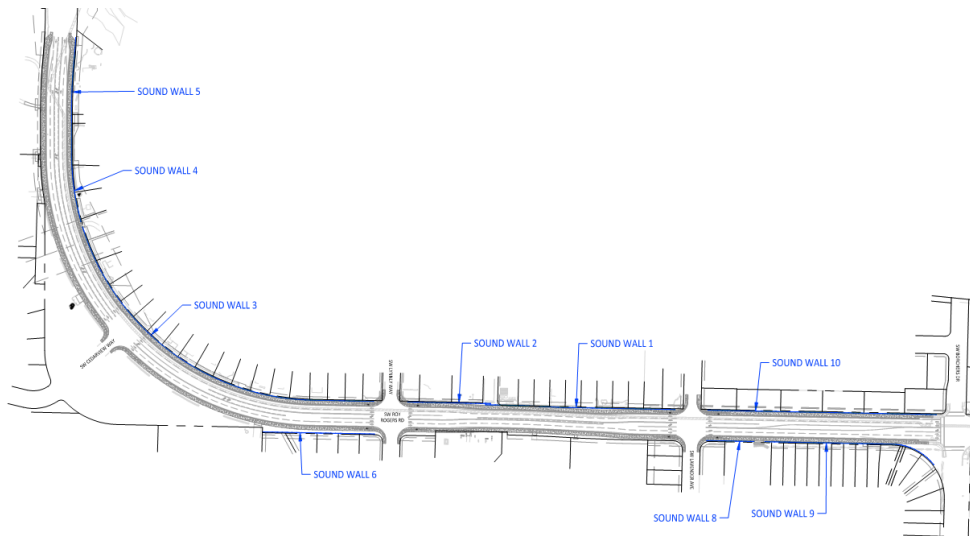
Comments received included:

- 13 comments preferring Alternative 1
- 1 comment preferring Alternative 1 or 3
- 1 comment preferring Alternative 2
- 1 comment preferring Alternative 3
- 1 comment preferring Alternative 4
- 29 comments did not state a preference

### Summary of questions and responses:

#### Will the project install soundwalls?

We evaluated noise abatement for 83 residences and determined that nine noise walls are eligible under the current Washington County Noise Policy for transportation projects. [Exhibit](#) Sound walls will be installed at the beginning of the project. The height will vary between eight and 18 feet, depending on the location of the home and height of the road.



**I would like to know how my property will be impacted and how I will be compensated.**

Additional design work is required to determine individual property impacts. If the project does impact any private property, then property owners will have ample opportunity to work with the County right-of-way agent to discuss any concerns about property value and compensation for potential impacts. It is the county's policy to offer "Just Compensation" (fair and equitable) to owners of property needed for a road project. "Just Compensation" is comprehensive and includes the estimated value of all the land, improvements within the needed area, and any measurable loss in value to the remaining property.

**Will pedestrian improvements to cross Roy Rogers be made to include crosswalks with lights?**

We, together with the city of Sherwood, are looking into different options for a pedestrian crossing in the area, and one potential location under consideration is at the future Cedar Creek Trail crossing. Information about the Cedar Creek Trail crossing can be found on the [city of Sherwood's website](#).

**Will a traffic signal be installed at either Lynnlly Way or Lavender Avenue?**

We reviewed the traffic at these intersections but it does not meet the minimum traffic volumes required to install a traffic signal. Increasing the road's capacity will likely create more gaps in traffic on Roy Rogers Road, decreasing wait time to cross Roy Rogers Road.

**Will the speed change on Roy Rogers Road?**

No, the speed will remain 35 mph through the project corridor.

**Will the cemetery be impacted? Will this project require any graves be disturbed in order to increase the ROW?**

We are working with the cemetery to develop a plan to minimize impacts to the cemetery. Unfortunately, the road widening will require removal of the existing maple trees along the cemetery's frontage, but we are developing a mitigation plan for the loss of the maple trees. No grave sites will be disturbed with the increased right-of-way.

**Will the project replace any of the existing landscaping?**

We intend to include landscaping in the design to mitigate for lost landscaping. The landscaped areas are limited because the County is trying to minimize the width of the road to reduce impacts to adjacent property owners.

**Why isn't Roy Rogers being widened the whole length of the road? It seems that this is done in piecemeal fashion. First near Bull Mountain, next Sherwood. Why not do the whole thing at once?**

There currently isn't enough funding to improve the entire length of the road at once. Because of this, we are improving the road in segments as funding becomes available.

**If option #1 is chosen, does that mean that no properties or back/side yards will be impacted by this?**

Alternative 1 utilizes as much of the existing right-of-way as possible and therefore has the least impacts to private property. Some additional public right-of-way is required at the side street connections and near the cemetery. Additional design work will be needed to complete what the impacts are to private properties. However, any impacts would be minimal because the project would utilize the existing right-of-way.

**Did the project evaluate potential structural damage to the property opposite Cedar Lane Cemetery? The house is historically significant to Sherwood and appears in multiple historical books due to its age.**

Yes, the project team did an assessment of the project corridor. Based on the team's review, the older farmhouse structure at 17022 SE Roosevelt St. is located approximately 27 feet from the right-of-way. This distance should be adequate to keep vibrations below the critical threshold necessary to prevent structural damage.

**Have you selected one of these plans to proceed?**

Yes, after reviewing feedback from the community and the alternatives analysis, we have decided to move forward with Alternative 1.