

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING #1 - VIRTUAL PUBLIC FORUM

A Virtual Public Forum was conducted between September 30th and October 15th, 2021, for the Old McHenry Crossings Phase I Project. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Lake County's policies, which prohibited in-person public meetings at the time of the Virtual Public Forum, this event was conducted via a self-guided web-based platform. The Virtual Public Forum was available on the homepage of the project website: <https://omxproject.com/>



WHEN THE FORUM WAS OPEN

Sept 30th - Oct 15, 2021



HOW WE GOT THE WORD OUT

- 2,000+ postcards mailed to residents
- Hawthorn Woods + Lake Zurich sent announcements via newsletters, email lists + facebook
- Lake County sent announcements via newsletters
- Changeable message board along Old McHenry Road

WEBSTATS

- 3,164 views of the Virtual Forum
- 8,454 views of the Project Website
- 28 Stakeholder Volunteers
- 72 General Comments
- 220 Mapped Comments
- 110 Subscribers

KEY TAKEAWAYS: WRITTEN COMMENTS

Participants provided open ended comments during the Virtual Public Forum. A summary of repeated comments and themes follows below:

- 1. CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS.**
Concerns about design and construction impacts to adjacent institutions and businesses.
- 2. GRADE SEPARATION AT OLD MCHENRY ROAD AND THE CN RAILROAD.**
General support for a grade separation between roadway and railroad.
- 3. BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES.**
Desire for improved sidewalks and bike routes.
- 4. ROADWAY WIDENING.**
Comments for and against widening Old McHenry Road and Quentin Road
- 5. EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS.**
Provide better access for emergency vehicles and our first responders.
- 6. TRAFFIC CALMING.**
Reduce speed limit and slow traffic along Old McHenry Road.
- 7. SURROUNDING ROADWAYS.**
Expand improvements to surrounding roadways (Half Day Rd, 83 to Quentin, 53 Extension)
- 8. SIGNAL TIMING.**
Review and adjust traffic signals to optimize traffic flow.
- 9. PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATION.**
Continue to share information with the public.
- 10. NO CHANGES.**
Keep existing conditions as-is.