

Long-term benefits

The new bridge and other improvements will serve motorists for many years to come. The upgrades will improve traffic flow and promote safety.

MDOT is responsible for the preservation, maintenance and operation of 9,716 miles of state trunkline (M, US and I routes) and 4,400 state highway bridges. This essential network moves people, goods and services across the state and across international borders. MDOT is focused on building and managing a safe, efficient transportation system that creates jobs, relieves congestion, supports tourism, improves quality of life and grows Michigan's economy.

How Will We Keep Motorists Informed?

MDOT is committed to keeping motorists informed regarding the most current and future lane closures, detour routes, and project updates. Lane closure information is available around-the-clock on MDOT's Web site at: www.michigan.gov/mdot or call MDOT's Road Repair Hotline at 616-482-PAVE. E-mail traffic updates also are available from the Office of Communications. If you would like to be included on this list, contact Julie Hurley at hurleyju@mi.gov.

Truck detour only:

- Northbound US-131 to westbound M-11: 36th Street to Division to M-11 (Stages I and II)

Because the average daily traffic on this section of M-11 exceeds 45,000 vehicles, a lane rental package has been incorporated into the contract. This means that the contractor will be charged a daily rental fee of \$10,000 per lane for any lane closures on M-11.

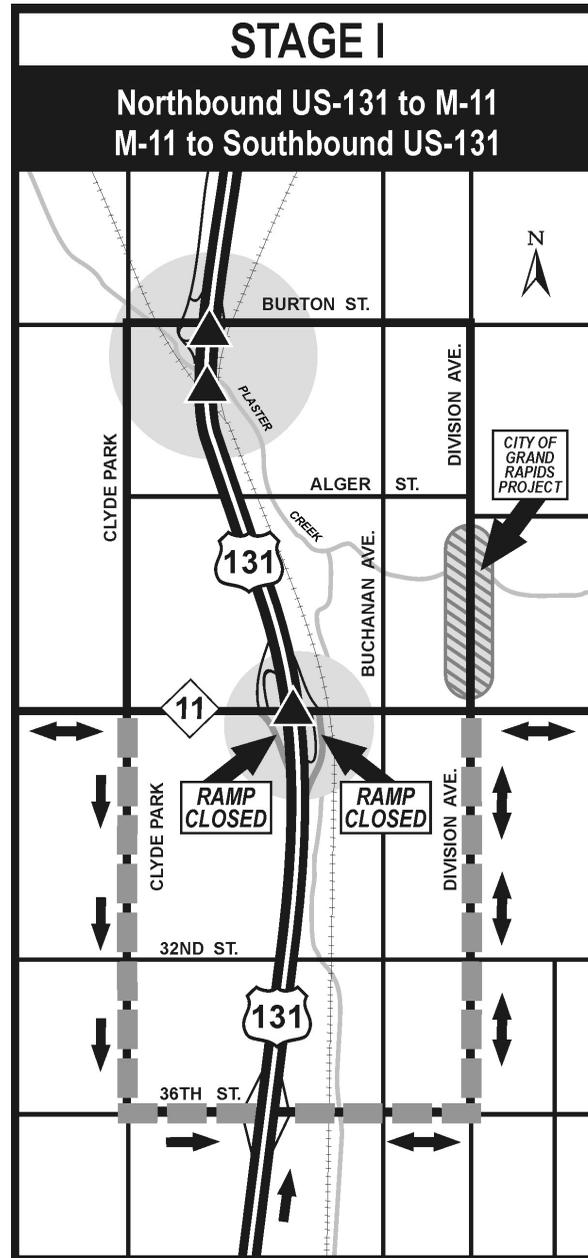
For More Information

Visit MDOT's Web site at www.michigan.gov/mdot or contact the Grand Rapids Transportation Service Center (TSC) at 616-451-3091.

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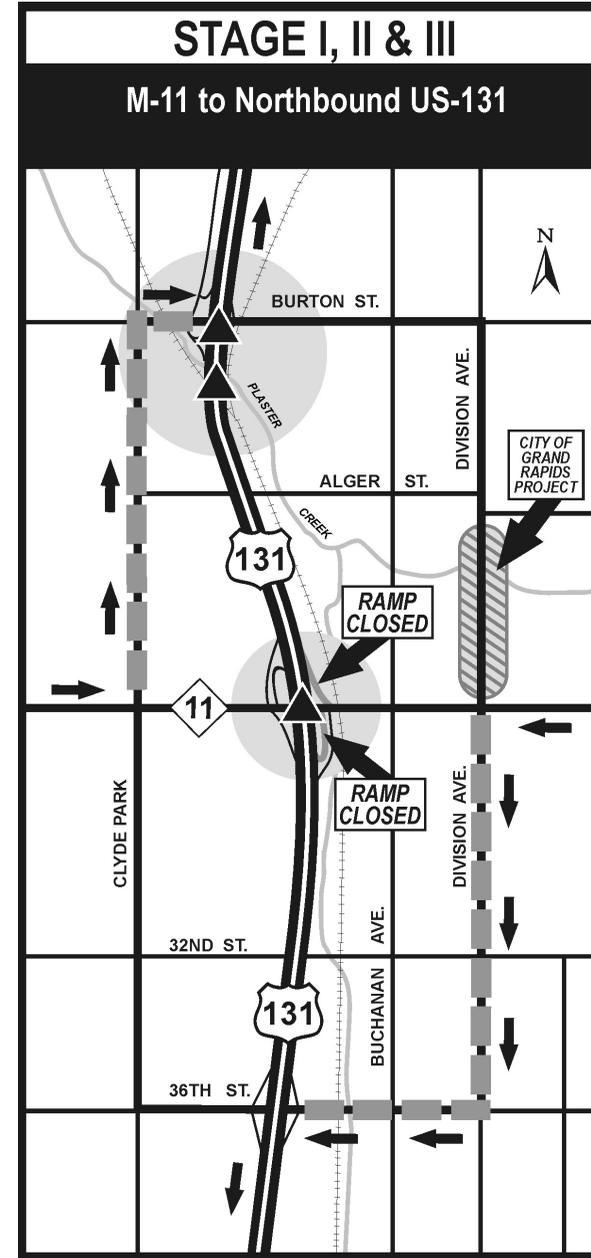


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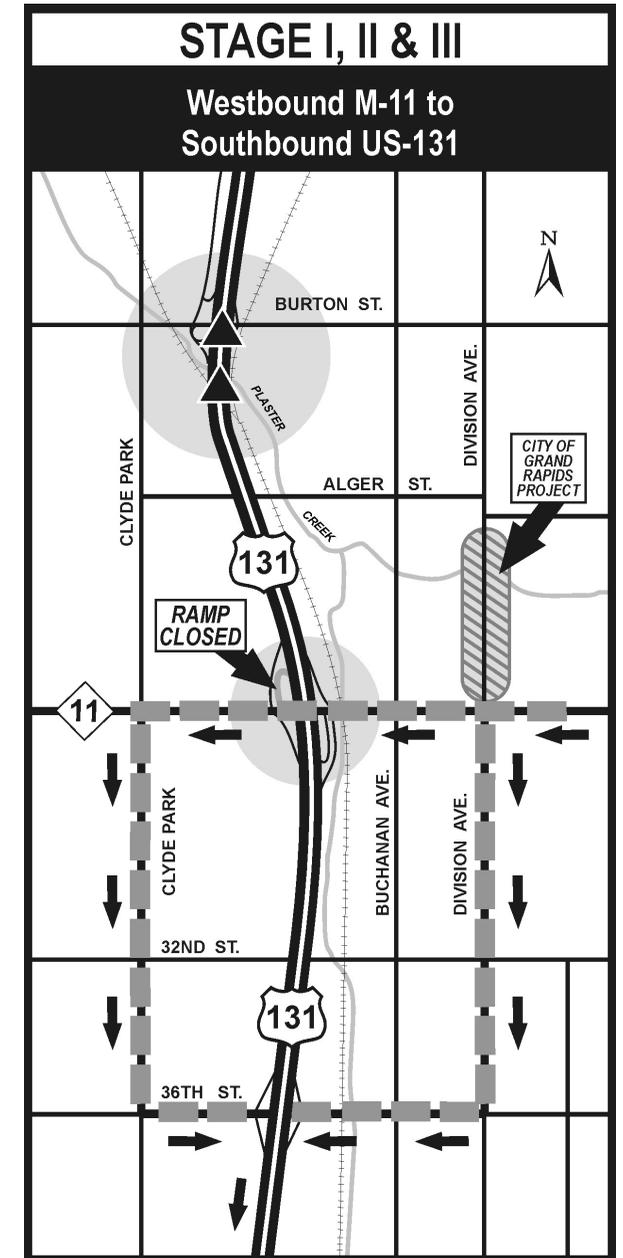
Detours:

- Eastbound M-11 to southbound US-131: Clyde Park to 36th Street to US-131 or Division to 36th Street to US-131 (Stage I)
- Northbound US-131 to M-11: 36th Street to Division to M-11 (Stage I)



Detours:

- Eastbound M-11 to northbound US-131: Clyde Park to Burton to US-131 or Division to 36th Street to US-131 (Stage I and III)
- Westbound M-11 to northbound US-131: Clyde Park to Burton to US-131 (Stage II)



Detours:

- Westbound M-11 to southbound US-131: Division to 36th Street to US-131 or Clyde Park to 36th Street to US-131 (Stage II and III)

M-11 (28th Street) Bridge Replacement

What Is Being Done?

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing approximately \$6 million to replace the M-11 (28th Street) bridge over US-131 in the city of Wyoming in Kent County. The project includes bridge replacement, approach work on M-11, lengthening of the acceleration lanes on the four on-ramps to US-131, traffic signals, and pedestrian signals. Also, through investment and partnership with the Wyoming Downtown Development Authority, sidewalk and landscaping will be constructed within the project.

When Will This Be Done?

As with other extensive and highly successful projects in West Michigan, this work will be completed in multiple stages to aid in lessening the impact to motorists.

Preparation work will begin in early-April and work will continue throughout the summer with the project completion anticipated for October 2005.



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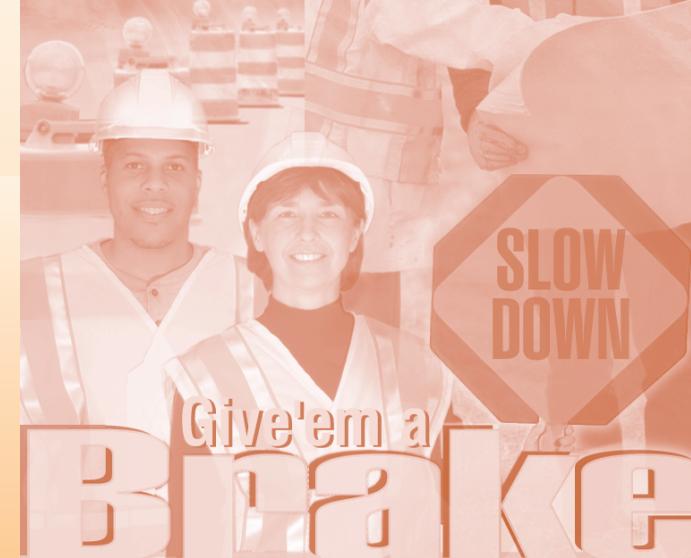
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How Will Traffic Be Affected?

Because M-11 is a heavily traveled commuter and commercial route, the road and bridge work for this project was divided into four stages to minimize the overall impact to motorists and businesses.

STAGE I

During Stage I, M-11 traffic will be shifted to the westbound lanes and one lane of traffic will be maintained on M-11 in each direction in order to accommodate work on the south half of the bridge. In addition, the on-ramp from eastbound M-11 to southbound US-131 and the on-ramp from eastbound M-11 to northbound US-131 will be closed and traffic will be detoured for this entire stage. Two lanes of traffic in each direction will be maintained on US-131. The off-ramp from northbound US-131 to M-11 will be closed for a limited period and traffic will be detoured. Also, the on-ramp from westbound M-11 to southbound US-131 will be closed for a limited period and traffic will be detoured. This stage will begin in early April and continue into late spring/early summer.

STAGE II

During stage II, M-11 traffic will be shifted to the eastbound lanes and two lanes of traffic in the eastbound direction and one lane of traffic in the westbound direction will be maintained on M-11 so that work can be done on the north half of the bridge. In addition, the on-ramp from westbound M-11 to southbound US-131 and the on-ramp from westbound M-11 to northbound US-131 will be closed and traffic will be detoured for the entire stage. Two lanes of traffic in each direction will be maintained on US-131. This stage will begin in late spring/early summer and continue into mid-summer.

STAGE III

During stage III, two lanes in each direction will be maintained on US-131. The on-ramp from westbound M-11 to southbound US-131 and the on-ramp from eastbound M-11 to northbound US-131 will be closed for a limited period and traffic will be detoured. Two lanes of traffic in each direction on M-11 will be maintained. This work will begin mid-summer and continue to late summer/early fall.

STAGE IV

During Stage IV, there will be periodic off-peak lane closures on M-11. Otherwise, two lanes of traffic in each direction on M-11 and three lanes of traffic in each direction on US-131 will be maintained.