



Highway 444 Resurfacing Project Summary

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- In coordination with the HOA/POA TDOT Liaison Committee TDOT has finalized the engineering specifications for resurfacing Highway 444 this summer
- TDOT is now soliciting bids from contractors and expects to award a contract by early June
- The Contractor must schedule the work sometime between June and October



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- The Committee will publish the start date as soon as the contractor notifies TDOT
- The work will take about two weeks to complete
- The work will be done at night starting at 7PM and ending at 6AM the next day
- There will be lane closures of about 1 to 2 miles as the work crews move along the highway

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- The improvements that the Liaison Committee requested are intended to maintain traffic flow and to improve safety
- The improvements from North to South include:
 - At the intersection of northbound Highway 444 and the Highway 321 entrance ramp to Maryville:
 - + TDOT will improve signs and add a dashed line to guide vehicles making a left turn onto the ramp

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- Improvements continued:
 - Add southbound right turn lane at Poplar Ridge Road
 - Add northbound right turn lane at Coyatee Point Dr.
 - The passing zone at the Poplar Springs Boat Ramp will be eliminated

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- Improvements continued:
 - Left turn lanes will be added at Coyatee Dr. and at Coyatee Shores Dr.
 - The passing zone at the Coyatee / Tommotely Bridge will be shortened
 - Add northbound right turn lane at Cayuga Dr.
 - Add northbound left turn lane at Richey Road

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- Improvements continued:
 - New guard rail along northbound Highway 444 at the Ritchey Road intersection
 - Add northbound left turn lane at Amohi Way
 - The passing zone at the Clear Creek Bridge will be eliminate

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- Improvements continued:
 - TDOT will restripe all existing and new left turn lanes to increase the number of vehicles that can wait to make a left turn
 - Right turns will be safer when TDOT stripes the side white line to guide vehicles in a broader turn



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- Improvements continued:
 - Dashed lines will be added at each intersection to guide vehicles turning left from side streets on to Highway 444
 - The transition between the highway and bridges will be improved
 - The shoulders along the entire route will be paved and continuous
 - Permanent centerline reflectors will be added

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- The TDOT Maintenance Department is now doing preliminary work in preparation for the resurfacing of the highway
- TDOT will be removing guard rails, removing damaged asphalt on the shoulder and laying down gravel to widen the foundation to accommodate the new turn lanes
- This work will continue for about two more weeks

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- This presentation and a more detailed Project Summary will be on the HOA Website next week
- Future announcements will be published by Tell-E-Flash and posted to the HOA Facebook page