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Rombach Avenue Improvements Change in Traffic Pattern Expected November 12, 2021 Long Delays May Be Experienced

LOCATION - Rombach Avenue, Wilmington, Ohio

Wilmington, Ohio – The City of Wilmington advises motorists of a change in traffic pattern on Rombach Avenue project beginning on Friday, November 12, 2021.

Beginning at 9 a.m. on Friday, workers plan to adjust the lane configurations. The work includes removing and repainting lane markings, which will need to be done during the day when temperatures are warmer. Motorists should plan for very long delays on Rombach Avenue during the change in traffic pattern. In the event of inclement weather, the switch will likely occur on Sunday, November 14.

The Rombach Avenue project will be mostly dormant from November 12 through the beginning of March. The original five-lane traffic pattern from prior to construction will be restored during this time, although there will still be various lane closures to accommodate some winter improvement work.

The Rombach Avenue Improvements Project is nearly three miles long. The project begins at the intersection of Fife Avenue and Rombach Avenue and terminates at the eastern corporation limit at Starbuck Road. Improvements to East Side Drive are part of the project as well.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is managing this project. The John R. Jurgensen Company is the contractor.

The Rombach Avenue Improvements Project is funded through a combination of federal, state, and local funds. The project is funded using a federal safety grant through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Improvement Program, pavement resurfacing funding via the Ohio Department of Transportation's Urban Paving Program, both a grant and a zero-percent infrastructure loan funded through Round 34 of the Ohio Public Works Commission, and local dollars.

The City of Wilmington asks all motorists to continue being patient, reduce speed, and exercise added caution when traveling near this work zone. Information regarding this and other city projects can be found on the City of Wilmington website at https://wilmingtonoh.org/municipal-

<u>services/city-projects/</u>. Questions regarding the Rombach Avenue Improvements Project may be directed to the Ohio Department of Transportation, District 8, (513) 933-6758 or to the Director of Public Service, (937) 382-6509.

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