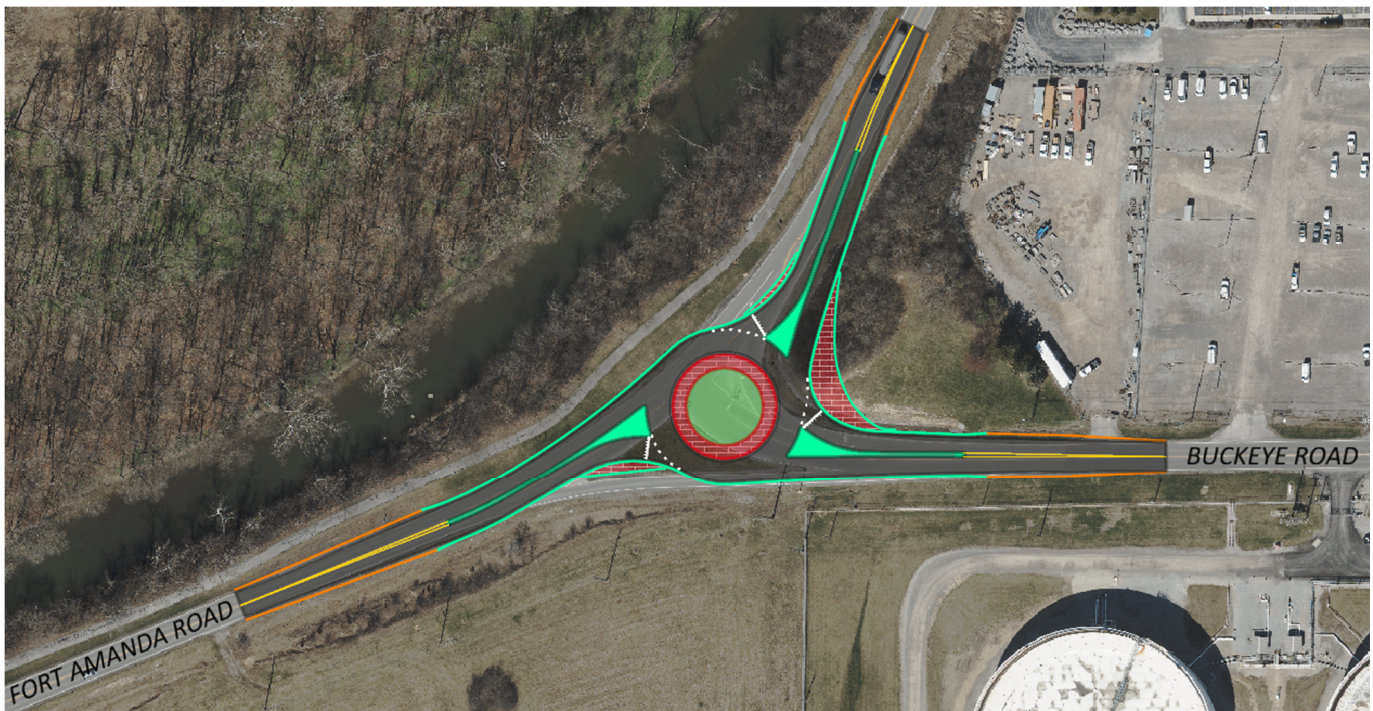




Press Release – November 24, 2025

Ft Amanda/Buckeye Rd Roundabout

The Allen County Engineer's Office (ACEO), in partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), is proposing to install a modern roundabout at the intersection of County Road (CR) 11 (Ft. Amanda Rd) and CR 123 (Buckeye Rd) to improve safety at the intersection. Proposed work also includes installing flashing pedestrian crossing signs where the Rotary Riverwalk / Ottawa River Bikeway crosses Ft. Amanda Road southwest of the intersection. This crossing will be adjusted to travel straight across the road, instead of at an angle. Construction is currently scheduled to begin in July 2027.



Property Impacts: New permanent and temporary right-of-way will need to be acquired for the project. Starting in 2026, real-estate representatives for the Allen County Engineer's Office will be in contact with affected property owners to discuss the right-of-way needs, the acquisition process, and their rights under that process.

Traffic Impacts during Construction: During construction, maintenance of traffic will be conducted in three (3) phases. Access to all adjacent properties will be maintained for the duration of the project.

- Phase 1: Traffic will be maintained using the existing and temporary pavements.
- Phase 2: Traffic from Buckeye Rd to Fort Amanda Rd (northbound) and from Fort Amanda Rd (southbound) to Buckeye Rd will be maintained. However, Fort Amanda northbound traffic from west of the intersection will be detoured south on Shawnee Rd to Breese Rd to Dixie Highway to Buckeye Rd. This detour is expected to last approximately 60 days.
- Phase 3: Traffic will be maintained using flaggers, when necessary.

Pedestrian travel along the Rotary Riverwalk / Ottawa River Bikeway will be maintained at all times during construction. Temporary pavement will be used to maintain traffic while the realigned trail is constructed.

Requesting Public Feedback: To ensure the decision-making process is comprehensive, the Allen County Engineer's Office is seeking comments from the public about the social, environmental, and economic impacts of this proposed project. Environmental impacts include those involving archaeological, architectural, maintenance of traffic/access to properties, ecological resources, hazardous materials, and the general location of the project.

The Allen County Engineer is requesting public comments by **December 24, 2025** via the following methods:

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We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and assistance so that this worthwhile project can be completed as soon as possible. Public feedback is welcome at any time but must be received by **December 24, 2025** to be formally documented and considered during this project development phase.