



Intersection modification of Mer-Bleue Road and Décoeur Drive

**Public information session
November 24, 2025
6 to 8 pm**

**Location:
Aquaview Community Hall
318 Aquaview Drive, Ottawa**

Land acknowledgement

We recognize that Ottawa is located on unceded territory of the Anishinaabe Algonquin Nation.

We extend our respect to all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples for their valuable past and present contributions to this land.

We also recognize and respect the cultural diversity that First Nations, Inuit and Métis people bring to the City of Ottawa.

Welcome / Project overview

Welcome to the public information session for the Intersection Modification of Mer-Bleue Road and Décoeur Drive.

The purpose of this public information session is to present the project preliminary design, receive feedback, identify next steps and inform residents of the future construction.

Key information presented include:

- Existing traffic and safety issues at the intersection.
- Proposed solutions and intersections designs.
- Tentative construction schedule and traffic impacts.

Please review the information presented and **provide your comments using the [online form](#), by phone or email**, as noted on the last page of this document, **by December 8, 2025.**

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Project limits & scope

The project scope of work includes the following key improvements along Mer-Bleue Road:

- Four lane widening of Mer-Bleue Road from Décoeur Drive to just north of Willow Aster Circle.
- Signalized protected intersection at Mer-Bleue Road/Décoeur Drive with upgraded pedestrian and cycling facilities.
- Raised cycle tracks along Mer-Bleue Road within the project limits transitioning back to existing on road cycling lanes and shoulder.
- Minor road and sidewalk modifications on Décoeur Drive and Copperhead Street within the vicinity of the intersection.
- New sidewalk and multi-use pathways (MUP) on the east side of Mer-Bleue Road at Renaud Road connecting to the new École Secondaire Publique, Orléans South.



Existing conditions

The Mer-Bleue Road/Décoeur Drive intersection project aims to address the following existing operational and safety issues at the intersection:

- Replace the current stop control on Décoeur Drive and Copperhead Street with traffic signals and a protected intersection that provides clear right of way, safer crossings, and fewer conflict points.
- Reduce queues and delays by adding left turn lanes on Mer-Bleue Road, dedicated signal timing for each traffic movement and improving sightlines and approach geometry.
- Lowering collision risk by providing separate crossings for pedestrians and cyclists, bike signals, raised corners, improved lighting, pavement markings and accessibility compliant facilities.



Existing conditions at Mer-Bleue Road /Décoeur Drive intersection

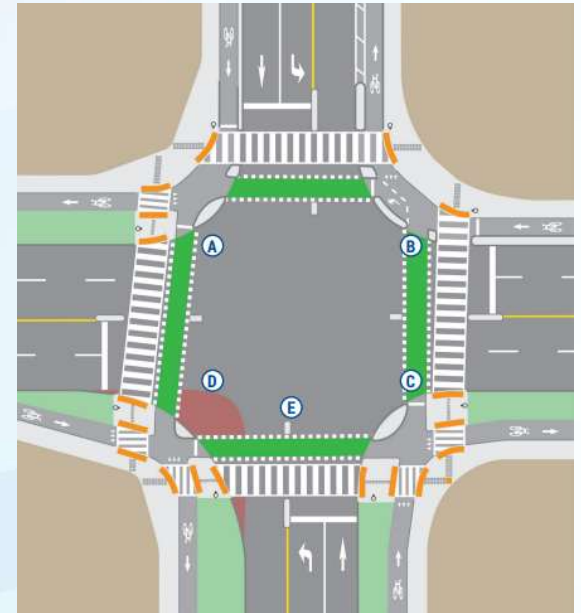
- Stop control results in difficulty finding gaps in traffic.
- Currently up to 40-second delays for east-west vehicle movements.
- Crossing four lanes demands significant driver attention.
- No dedicated crossing for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Further development will amplify existing issues.

Protected intersection option

A protected intersection at Mer-Bleue Road/Décoeur Drive with left turn lanes on Mer- Bleue Road and dedicated cycling and pedestrian crossings is the recommended design given the following:

- **Supports future growth:** The proposed design will significantly improve operations now and keep the intersection operating at a high level of service in the future as additional development occurs in the surrounding area.
- **Improves safety and accessibility:** The protected intersection layout offers safe and accessible crossings for pedestrians and cyclists. The intersection is designed to slow down right turning vehicles and improve visibility of pedestrians and cyclists.
- **Cost-effective and practical:** A balanced solution that does not require property acquisitions and limits construction impacts while delivering significant operational improvements.

Typical protected intersection



Design Features

- (A) Large radius protected corner with corner apron
- (B) One-stage protected corner
- (C) Standard protected corner
- (D) Hybrid protected corner
- (E) Centerline hardening

Construction and traffic management

The City will take every precaution to minimize interruptions to the everyday life of your family but, as you can appreciate, there may be some inconvenience during the course of the work. Some typical issues encountered during construction and associated mitigation measures include:

- **Dust, debris and noise** will be mitigated with the use of water trucks, sweepers, site hording and regular site cleanups. Working hours are regulated under the Noise By-law (No. 2017-255) which permits construction from 7 am to 10 pm Monday to Saturday. On Sundays, statutory and public holidays work is permitted between 9 am and 10 pm. Night work (not anticipated at this point) requires a Noise By-law exemption.
- **Pedestrians and cyclists in construction areas** will be accommodated using marked and signed pathways through the project site. Construction personnel are always vigilant to assist and guide pedestrians when needed.

Construction and traffic management (continued)

- **Traffic delays** will be minimized as much as possible by maintaining open lanes while still allowing sufficient space for the contractor to complete the work. Flaggers will be used to direct traffic when necessary. Work will be staged, and temporary lane closures and adjustments will continue during construction.
- **Disruption to driveway access** will be limited; however, when closures are required, 24-hour notice will be provided. Décoeur Drive on-street parking may be restricted during the construction period.
- **Accessibility** for the public is an important consideration for the City. The City will make every effort to provide access through and around the construction site. Pedestrian access to homes will be maintained at all times. Please let the project team know if you require a disability-related accommodation.
- **Disturbed private landscaping features**, driveways and/or walkways will be reinstated to pre-construction conditions.

Project Schedule

The following are key anticipated dates and targets for the project schedule:

- **Review public info session comments:** December 2025
- **Complete detailed design:** January 2026
- **Estimated construction start:** May 2026
- **Estimated completion:** November 2026 with final paving in spring 2027

Thank you

Thank you for reviewing the project's information boards. Stay up to date on the project by following the project website: ottawa.ca/MerBleueRoad

Please provide your comments using the [online form](#), by phone or email to the City Project Manager by **December 8, 2025**

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