



# COPING WITH CONSTRUCTION



Central 70

# WHAT'S CENTRAL 70 DOING IN ELYRIA-SWANSEA?

Demolition of the I-70 viaduct between Brighton and Colorado boulevards began May 24, 2021, and will continue during daytime hours for the next few months.

To limit the area of impact along 46th Avenue, crews will demolish, clean up and reopen one to two blocks at a time before continuing to the next area. North/south streets will only be closed when demolition is taking place directly above them, approximately two weeks for each street.

To ensure the safety of the traveling public, local residents and adjacent businesses, protective netting will be installed on the south side of the viaduct where the demolition zones come in close proximity to existing structures. This netting will provide a barrier, containing debris within each demolition zone. Debris will be broken down and properly disposed of, and stormwater controls will be in place to manage water during dust suppression activities. Devices will be in place to monitor dust, air quality, noise and vibration.

VISIT THE LINK BELOW TO TRACK  
DEMOLITION PROGRESS.



[bit.ly/C70-bye-a-duct](https://bit.ly/C70-bye-a-duct)

# WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP YOUR BUSINESS?



Maintain positive relationships with construction workers. The workers who will be around your business on a daily basis can become new customers!



Make sure the signage surrounding your business is clear so customers know how to get to you.



Consider additional advertising or promotions, including social media, during this time to draw attention to your business.



Set yourself up for success with interesting window displays; a clean, well-lit environment; clear, easy-to-spot signage and a variety of ways to pay (Venmo, Square, Apple Pay).



Share our regular construction updates with your customers, suppliers and employees.



Consider offering new or special services to better accommodate customers during construction. These services could include extended business hours or new delivery options.



Host an open house or plan a special event for your customers to bring attention to your business and celebrate your customers.



Stay informed about the status of the Project. Sign up for newsletters, emails, or other forms of updates using the project contact information on the back of this brochure.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## *How long will construction last?*

Viaduct demolition will continue into fall 2021, followed by construction of the future eastbound lanes of the highway, the south side of the park and the construction of 46th South Avenue. Traffic on the highway will be in its final configuration by the end of 2022, and the park will be completed by early 2023.

## *What activities can I expect in my area during construction?*

During construction, you will likely see equipment moving in and out of the work zone, which at times may cause lane closures. You will see crew members working on the Project, sometimes during early mornings or nights, who will be easy to identify by their hard hats and vests. You will see trucks spraying water to reduce dust, and netting on the sides of the viaduct to ensure debris doesn't fall where it shouldn't.

## *Will customers still have access to my business during construction?*

Yes! Sometimes construction activities require changing a business' access point, but in these cases, temporary signs will be installed to direct people to the affected business.

## *Will I be compensated for any lost revenues?*

Unfortunately, CDOT cannot compensate businesses for projected lost revenues. Compensation would only come from the contractor in the event business access becomes impossible to maintain due to construction or if the use of private property is required.

## *Can I communicate questions and concerns during a project? If so, how?*

Absolutely! There are several ways to contact us, please see the back of this brochure for details.

# WHEN CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETE.

When construction is complete, new amenities will become opportunities for your business — a new 46th Avenue, wider sidewalks and a park full of activity. Plan ahead to position your business to take advantage of the new landscape.

- Celebrate with employees, suppliers and customers who were part of your business during construction.
- Consider new markets that may be exposed to your business as a result of the construction.
- Evaluate your marketing and advertising strategies post-construction.



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