

Route 50 at Bynum

An improved Route 50 interchange for Lone Jack

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bridge beginning April 12 and re-open it by early October. Eastbound Route 50 traffic will shift to the ramps for a week, then eastbound and westbound Route 50 will be reduced to one lane for six months.

Removal of the existing Route 150 bridge over eastbound Route 50 will change access to Lone Jack during construction. Eastbound Route 50 will be rerouted for a portion of the project to accomplish bridge removal and new bridge construction. Removing the bridge early allows the contractor to complete the new bridge spanning both existing eastbound and the new westbound Route 50 lanes sooner to accommodate school bus traffic as soon as possible in the coming school year.

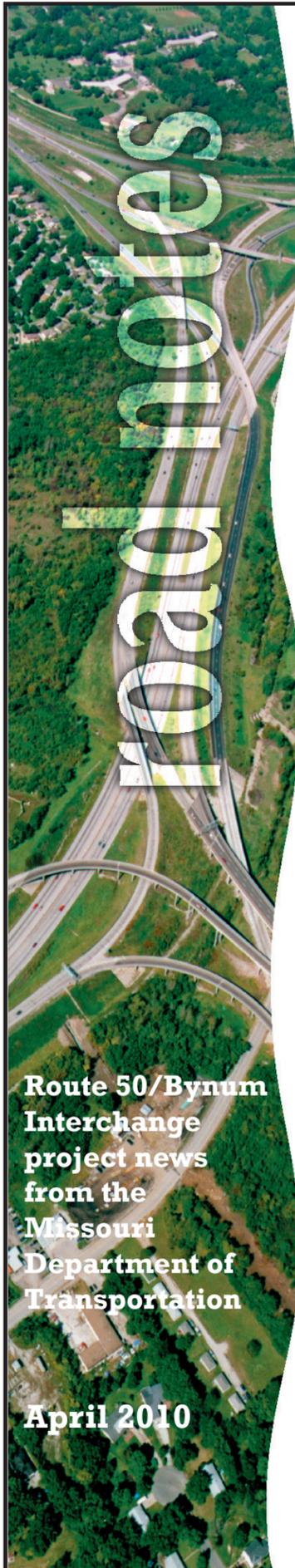
Route 150 traffic will be redirected to crossovers a half-mile east and a half-mile west of the interchange until the new Route 150 bridge opens.

Traffic will be slowed and at times more congested during the construction period. Once completed, however, both east-west Route 50 traffic and north-south Route 150/Bynum



Road traffic will move more smoothly and safely, and motorists going between the two highways will access them by way of acceleration and deceleration ramps.

For further information, contact Rick Orr at 622-0460. For more information about this or other projects in the area, please visit MoDOT's Web site at www.modot.org/kansascity, then select from Quick Links.



Route 50/Bynum Interchange project news from the Missouri Department of Transportation

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Completing the Lone Jack interchange

Work is under way to improve the Route 50 interchange at Route 150/Bynum Road in Lone Jack.

MoDOT plans to complete the full-diamond interchange conceptualized in the 1960s to accommodate westbound Route 50. Work will include constructing ramps and a new bridge to carry Bynum Road/Route 150 traffic over the highway.



Bynum Road at westbound Route 50 will be safer when the interchange project concludes by the end of this year.

Adding a bridge and ramps on westbound Route 50 at Bynum brings the crossroads to modern interchange standards and provides for safer local access in all directions. Existing crossover locations within the project limits will be removed to enhance safety for both eastbound and westbound Route 50 motorists.

Improved Access and Safety

Westbound Route 50 traffic in Lone Jack is routed through a congested commercial and residential area, with an at-grade intersection with Route 150. Several severe accidents and fatalities have occurred at or near this intersection. Separating the westbound traffic by building a Route 150 bridge and ramps will improve safety and move Route 50 traffic more quickly.

Lone Jack city officials, residents and stakeholders have asked MoDOT to consider a separated-grade interchange to improve safety. This project within the Mid-America Regional Council's boundaries drew strong support from other communities who recognize the value of this project. Federal officials concur and have provided ARRA funds to pay for these improvements.

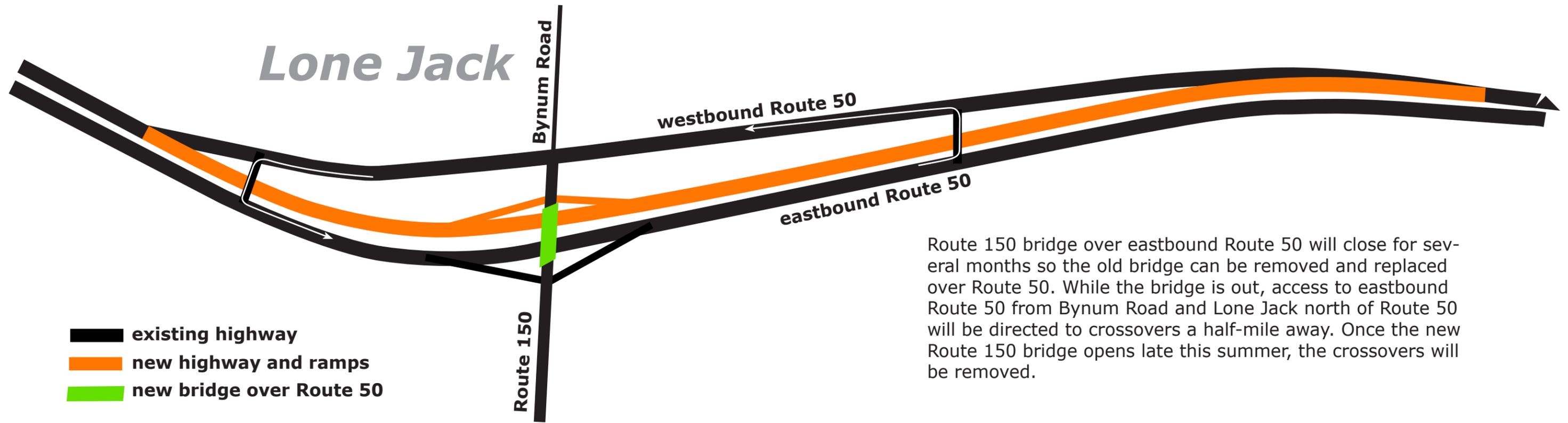
What's Next, and When?

Emery Sapp & Sons Inc. was awarded a \$5.1 million contract in late January to build the Route 150/Bynum Road bridge, ramps connecting Route 150/Bynum Road to westbound Route 50 and related highway improvements. Sapp will remove the Route 150/Bynum Road

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Interchange Improvements at Route 50 and Bynum Road



Route 150 bridge over eastbound Route 50 will close for several months so the old bridge can be removed and replaced over Route 50. While the bridge is out, access to eastbound Route 50 from Bynum Road and Lone Jack north of Route 50 will be directed to crossovers a half-mile away. Once the new Route 150 bridge opens late this summer, the crossovers will be removed.

