

Highway 610



Focus On: Zachary Lane Roundabouts

Overview

The new Highway 610 extension includes nearly three miles of four-lane highway between Highway 169 in Brooklyn Park and County Road 81 in Maple Grove. The project includes two interchanges, three overpasses, a pedestrian bridge and noisewalls.

The new interchange providing access to the new Highway 610 at Zachary Lane will use two roundabouts to control traffic in place of traffic lights.

Benefits of Roundabouts

Roundabouts have many benefits, including:

- **Safety:** Roundabouts show a 39 percent decrease in all crashes and an 89 percent decrease in fatal crashes.
- **Traffic Flow:** Roundabouts can handle high levels of traffic with less delay than most stop signs or signals. The tight curves slow traffic so entering and exiting is easier and more efficient.
- **Fuel Efficiency and Air Quality:** Where roundabouts replace signals, idling decreases which reduces vehicle emissions and fuel consumption by 30 percent or more.
- **High Left Turn Volumes:** Roundabouts generally better accommodate high volume left turns more efficiently than all-way stop signs or traffic signals.



For More Information

Roundabouts

Mn/DOT Roundabout Resources: www.dot.state.mn.us/roundabouts

Highway 610 Project

Project Information Line: 1-866-610-5480 • Project Website: www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/610