



Callaway-Cole Counties  
Route 54  
Missouri River Bridge Painting & Repairs  
Public Meeting  
November 18, 2015

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is the purpose of tonight's meeting?**

The purpose of tonight's meeting is to inform and educate the general public on the traffic management plan for the bridge painting and repair project on the westbound Route 54 Missouri River Bridge (Bridge No. L05506). It is also an opportunity for the general public, business owners, and local government officials to ask any questions about the plan.

### **How will traffic be affected?**

Traffic will be greatly affected. The bridge work will require closures of the westbound Route 54 Missouri River Bridge, all access ramps from Route 54 to West Main St., the eastbound on-ramp from McCarty St. to Route 54, and the westbound on-ramp from Route W to Route 54. The existing eastbound Missouri River Bridge will remain open however it will be restriped to two lanes in each direction and westbound Route 54 traffic will be detoured to the eastbound bridge using existing crossovers. Speed limits will be reduced as well.

### **Why is this work necessary?**

Our major river bridges are a very expensive asset to our transportation system. It is very important that they be maintained. If properly maintained they can last 100 years. Recent bridge safety inspections identified the existing paint as needing to be addressed as well as some additional repairs at expansion devices.

### **When will the work take place?**

The entire project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2016 and take approximately 16 months to complete. The work which requires the bridge closure is anticipated to take approximately 4 months and be completed by fall of 2016.

### **What will the project cost?**

The total project cost is approximately \$8.4 million.

### **How can I learn more?**

You may learn more by contacting us toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MoDOT (275-6636) or by visiting us on the Web at [www.modot.org/central](http://www.modot.org/central).