

CAMP MEETING ROAD LANDSLIDE CLOSURE TIMELINE

This summary is provided to residents to explain the delay in the Camp Meeting Road Landslide Restoration Project. Camp Meeting Road is owned and maintained by Allegheny County.

2019

- July 11, 2019 Ravaging storm and heavy rains caused major flooding and a road landslide on Camp Meeting Road between Beech Ridge Drive and Fern Hollow Road. Allegheny County Public Works closes Camp Meeting Road to all traffic.
- July 17, 2019 Dennis Young, Council President, contacted PA State Representative Valerie Gaydos and asked her to tour and assess the Borough's flood damaged areas. Rep. Gaydos toured the areas with Borough Officials (Dennis Young, Charles Kulbacki, Lisa Fleming, Chief Kristoffer Korol, and Carl Bohn).
- July 17, 2019 Allegheny County establishes a full detour using Camp Meeting Road Ext. and Big Sewickley Creek Road. Allegheny County hires a consultant (HDR) to determine what work was needed to remediate the area and to ensure that the road is safe for vehicles.
- July 2019 Repair includes replacement of a County-owned drainage culvert. County budgets for repairs, hires a consultant for design, and begins the design process.
- September 2019 Dennis Young contacts Cindy Kirk, Allegheny County Council Representative, to discuss landslide.
- October 15, 2019 Borough Engineer sends email to Allegheny County Public Works inquiring about road status and repairs
- November 11, 2019 Borough Manager sends letter to the Director of Allegheny County's Public Works requesting the County to reopen Camp Meeting Road to one-way traffic.
- December 9, 2019 Borough Engineer sends email to Allegheny County Public Works inquiring about road status and seeking authorization for one-way traffic opening. The County informed our Borough Engineer that geotechnical engineers will be drilling testing holes.

2020

- January 2, 2020
February 10, 2020
March 9, 2020 Borough Engineer sends emails to Allegheny County Public Works inquiring about road status.
- June 2020 Brock Meanor, Council Vice President, contacted Cindy Kirk, Allegheny County Council Representative, to inquire about opening one lane.

- July 8, 2020 The Deputy Director of Allegheny County Public Works holds an on-site meeting with Bell Acres Officials (Dave Renfrew, Brock Meanor, and Greg Wagner) and Bell Acres Public Works (Rick Henderson) to provide updates and discuss concerns.

- July 15, 2020 Allegheny County authorizes use of Camp Meeting Road for emergency vehicles, as needed.

- July – August 2020 Allegheny County pushes for design to wrap-up so that construction can begin and be completed by Spring 2021 using an existing on-demand contract.

- August 19, 2020 Microsoft Teams initial utility meeting with Allegheny County, HDR, Monaloh Basin Engineers (MBE), Bell Acres, Edgeworth Water, and Columbia Gas for the purpose of determining utility (water, gas, and sewer) coordination with the proposed design plan.

- August 26, 2020 Microsoft Teams second utility meeting with Allegheny County, HDR, MBE, Bell Acres, Edgeworth Water, Columbia Gas, and the County’s contractor to address utility issues or construction concerns.

- August 31, 2020 Utility Clearance Planning meeting on-site with Allegheny County, HDR, Bell Acres, Bell Acres Municipal Authority, the County’s contractor, and Columbia Gas to review temporary relocation and protect-in-place options to allow work to proceed in the Winter 2020/Early Spring 2021.

The Bell Acres Municipal Authority (BAMA) maintains a public sanitary sewer line in the vicinity of the slide along Camp Meeting Road. BAMA is presently in litigation with an adjoining property owner and other parties. While Allegheny County and Bell Acres are working diligently to restore the closed section of Camp Meeting Road, as soon as BAMA became aware of the proposed restoration work, it notified the County of the litigation, which must be taken into account in moving forward on the project.

All agencies are working to put restoration work and the reopening of the road into place as soon as possible.