

Complete 540 Virtual Meeting Q&A

Bells Pointe Neighborhood

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

- When will the project start construction in front of our neighborhood?
 - Clearing for utility work will start in the next couple of months, followed by utility work beginning in the fall. The roadway work on Bells Lake Road is expected to start in the spring/summer of 2021.
- Will tonight's presentation be recorded and available for viewing by those that cannot attend?
 - Tonight's meeting is not being recorded; however, a video of the presentation will be available on the project website.
- What about clearing on the Bells Pointe properties south of the neighborhood entrance?
 - The volume expected to be cleared next to Bells Pointe is relatively minimal and will happen all at once starting in the next couple of months.
- When will the neighborhood entrance fountain and fence be removed and how long will the clearing take?
 - Clearing is expected to occur near the neighborhood in late summer or early fall of this year and will last approximately a month or two.
- If the option of closing Bells Lake Road is chosen, will Rhodes Road stay open during the detour?
 - This is currently being discussed with NCTA. At this time no decision has been made when or if Bells Lake Road will be closed. However, the current plan is to use West Lake Road, not Rhodes Road, for the temporary detour if it is decided to close Bells Lake Road.
- Do you have a website with timelines posted?
 - Yes, the project website shows project timelines.
- Will you provide temporary fencing to keep children safe in the backyards of properties along Bells Lake Road?
 - No, it is not planned to provide temporary fencing. However, silt fencing may be provided for environmental reasons, which would define the construction area.
- What impacts will happen to Bells Lake?
 - Bells Lake is upstream of construction and will not be impacted.
- Will the fences and trees be removed along Bells Lake Road next to the neighborhood?
 - The existing fences are in conflict with construction plans. If the fences remain as is, in their present locations, they will be removed by the clearing crew when they begin work. Clearing of trees will be limited to only the trees that need to be removed for construction.

- Will the neighborhood have access to natural gas, fiber, etc.?
 - No, additional utility extensions are not included in the project plan.
- Structure 10 (pedestrian culvert) is for the Town of Cary but the neighborhood is in Apex?
 - The planned greenway is in Cary; therefore, the Town of Cary would be building the greenway. The culvert is to accommodate the future greenway.
- How high will the pavement elevation be raised on Bells Lake Road?
 - There will be minimal elevation change at the entrance to the neighborhood. The widening for new turn lanes along Bells Lake Road will cause a small change in elevation but the grade of Bells Lake Road in the vicinity of the neighborhood will not be adjusted.
- For properties with temporary construction easements – how long will this last and when will the easement revert to the property owners?
 - Construction easements remain until the project is completed. The Complete 540 project is expected to be completed in 2023.
- How often do you anticipate a house losing power or internet?
 - Residents may see minimal impact, if any, and only for a utility company cutover from the current system to the replaced system. This cutover normally goes unnoticed by residents surrounding the work area.
- Will the neighbors be notified when construction starts near the Bells Pointe neighborhood?
 - Yes, the Turnpike Authority will communicate with residents prior to the start of construction. Communication methods may be mailed postcards, social media or Nextdoor posts, email announcements and/or direct notification to the HOA.
- Will streetlights be relocated or provided?
 - Duke will likely relocate the existing streetlights during the line relocation. The lights would be on Duke poles. Note that the power line will be moved to the east side of Bells Lake Road. The Complete 540 project does not include street lighting on intersecting roads.
- New services such as sewer, gas, etc. – can this be coordinated to get additional services provided through a coordinated effort?
 - Wet utilities are typically owned by a municipality (water/sewer). This would need to be coordinated with the local municipality.
 - Other utilities would need to be coordinated directly with the utility companies.
- How far will the front entrance be affected by the construction?
 - The tie-in from Bells Lake Road will extend about 100 feet into the entrance to the neighborhood.
- Will work behind Bells Pointe along Bells Lake Road be done before 2023?
 - Work along Bells Lake Road is anticipated to be complete in the summer of 2022. Punch list activities and intermittent construction work may occur after 2022.

- Will there be a sound barrier or buffer between the neighborhood and N.C. Toll 540?
 - The final design noise study is currently underway. Until the study and analysis are completed this question cannot be answered. Earlier studies indicated a noise wall would not be likely in this area, but that is not the final answer. Once the final noise study is completed, NCTA will post the recommended noise wall locations on the project website.
- Will there be a fence to maintain privacy from traffic on Bells Lake Road during construction?
 - No. However, a silt fence may be installed, but would only be about 3 feet high. No other fence will be provided.
- Follow up question regarding streetlights on the west side of Bells Lake Road?
 - Anything owned by the HOA at the entrance was addressed as part of the right of way settlement.
 - Anything owned by Duke would shift from the west to the east side.
 - There is no additional lighting in this area as part of the Complete 540 project.
- When will the last property be acquired?
 - The last parcel has been settled and completion is pending on closing and payment. This will hopefully be completed within the next couple of weeks.
- Will the project repave the streets in Bells Pointe?
 - No, the only paving work that will be done will be at the entrance only.
- What are the black triangles on the plans?
 - The black triangles are right of way monuments/markers.
- Can you provide a recap concerning the trees on the north side?
 - The contractor will make every effort to only cut trees that are absolutely needed for construction. Clearing will extend only to provide room to construct and maintain the roadway and utilities.
- Where does the elevation of Bells Lake Road begin to change when it will go over N.C. Toll 540?
 - The elevation on Bells Lake Road will begin to change near the south end of the Bells Pointe neighborhood. N.C. Toll 540 will be lower than existing Bells Lake Road. Therefore, there will not be much of an elevation change on Bells Lake Road.
- Will a traffic light be placed at the entrance to the neighborhood?
 - No, there will not be traffic lights at the entrance of the neighborhood. However, there will be traffic lights at the ramp terminals.
- How can you be the first person to drive on the ramp?
 - You have to get up early on the day of the opening 😊.

- There is a spillway from the lake on the south side of the lake. Will N.C. Toll 540 go over that creek and then under Bells Lake? Or is that creek getting disturbed?
 - N.C. Toll 540 will cross over the creek that receives water from the Bells Lake spillway and then under Bells Lake Road. The creek will be conveyed from one side of N.C. Toll 540 to the other by a drainage structure.
- Will there be run off because of the elevation of Bells Lake Road?
 - Stormwater runoff from N.C. Toll 540 will be captured and conveyed along the highway.
- When will work occur on Ten Ten Road?
 - There is no construction work currently included in the Complete 540 project along Ten Ten Road.