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Road Change: No Left Turn at Geyer and Monroe

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Kirkwood, Missouri: Effective immediately, traffic will no longer be able to turn left, or south, onto Geyer Road from Monroe Avenue, in Kirkwood. Southbound traffic on Geyer will also no longer be able to turn left, or east, onto Monroe.

Background: The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) authorized the installation of concrete medians at each of five Union Pacific railroad crossings in the City of Kirkwood in order for the Quiet Zone to remain in effect.

The Quiet Zone was established by the FRA to eliminate train horns through the City. Due to several minor accidents at the Kirkwood Road crossing, the City was in jeopardy of losing the Quiet Zone unless some alternative form of protection for the crossing was approved by the FRA.

The installation of medians and the prohibition on left-hand turns at the Geyer-Monroe intersection, near the railroad crossing, are both part of this process.

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With 27,324 residents, the City of Kirkwood, Missouri, covers nine square miles and is home to turn-of-the-century homes, a vibrant business community, and cultural and educational institutions. Established in 1853, Kirkwood has long been known for its small-town charm, community pride, nationally recognized schools, diverse businesses, and involved residents.