

## Hwy 212 and CR 1 intersection in Glencoe opens Monday; Hwy 212 project complete

**WILLMAR, Minn.** – The newly constructed reduced conflict intersection at U.S. Highway 212 and McLeod County Road 1 in Glencoe opens Monday, August 15.

Also known as a J-turn, the new intersection at Highway 212 and County Road 1 was designed to have wider lanes than a traditional J-turn to accommodate vehicles of all sizes, including large trucks, emergency vehicles and agricultural equipment.

A permanent snow fence was installed at the intersection to reduce drifting and blowing snow. Also included were improvements for pedestrians with the installation of medians and sidewalk.

### How to use the newly constructed intersection

- To turn onto County Road 1 from Highway 212 there is no procedural change from either direction – simply enter the dedicated turn lane.
- To turn right onto Highway 212 from County Road 1, there is no procedural change – simply make a right turn.
- To turn left onto Highway 212 from County Road 1, make a slight right turn onto Highway 212, enter, and complete the newly dedicated U-turn.
- To cross Highway 212 from County Road 1, make a slight right turn onto Highway 212, enter, and complete the newly dedicated U-turn, and then turn right onto County Road 1.
- To watch a video on how a J-turn works and review the safety benefits, visit [MnDOT's Reduced Conflict Intersections web pages](#).

### Hwy 212 J-turn project in Glencoe complete

Opening the McLeod County Road 1 intersection completes the MnDOT project to construct two reduced conflict intersections on U.S. Highway 212 in Glencoe. A partial J-turn was constructed at Highway 22/Chandler Avenue which opened to traffic July 20.

### Project benefits and cost

Benefits of the project include enhanced safety for vehicles and pedestrians and reduced blowing and drifting snow on the roadway. Studies show a 70 percent reduction in fatalities and a 42 percent reduction in injury crashes where J-turns are used. To learn how a J-turn works and review the safety benefits of a J-turn, visit [MnDOT's Reduced Conflict Intersections web pages](#).

R & R Excavating, Inc., was the contractor for the project, which will cost \$2.4 million.

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