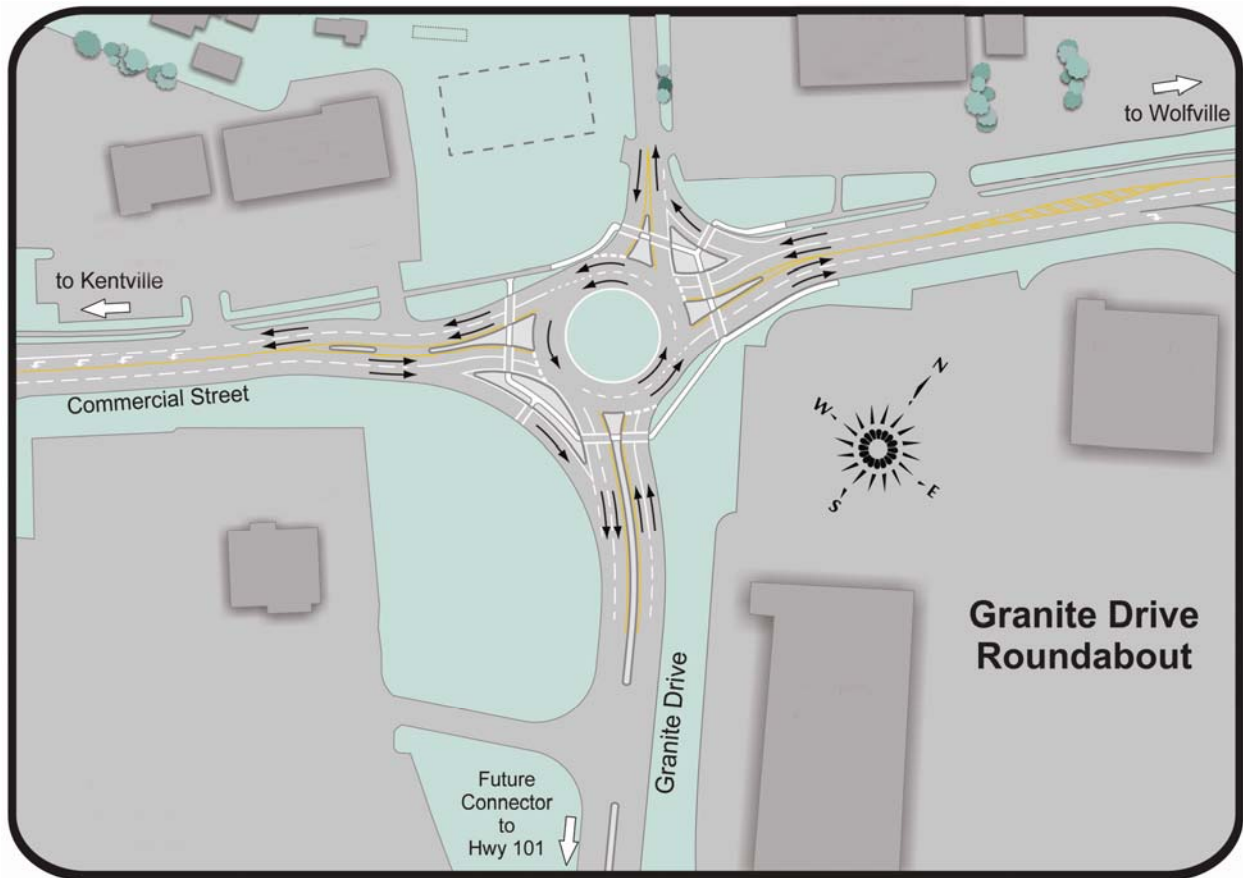


Granite Drive Roundabout New Minas



Modern roundabouts are specially designed intersections with traffic circulating around a central island. They have a proven track record around the world for reducing the number and severity of collisions and for keeping traffic moving smoothly.

The Granite Drive Roundabout is opening soon on Commercial Street (Trunk 1) in New Minas. It is designed to keep traffic moving safely and to reduce backups during busy times.

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Travelling Through Roundabouts

Vehicles entering the roundabout must yield to traffic in the circle. Drivers in the circle have the right-of-way over entering traffic.

Motorists must always yield to pedestrians who are legally crossing the road and be courteous towards cyclists who are sharing the road.

Slow down as you approach the intersection; roundabouts are designed for speeds of 30–50 km/h. Follow directions on signs and pavement markings for which lane to use. Enter the roundabout when there is a safe gap in traffic. Watch for vehicles already in the roundabout.

All vehicles in the roundabout must travel to the right around the central island. Drive around the circle in a counterclockwise direction until you come to the road or street where you want to exit.

Drivers using the righthand lane to enter a multi-lane roundabout (such as those at the Granite Drive Roundabout) should take the first or second exit available to them on the right. Drivers using the lefthand lane to enter a multi-lane roundabout should not use the first exit on the right but may use any exit thereafter. It is important that drivers signal their intention to exit the roundabout by turning on their right turn signal.

These rules apply unless the roundabout is controlled by other signs or traffic signals.

Walking Through Roundabouts

Always use the crosswalks when walking through a roundabout. Stop, look and listen before proceeding.

Make sure any approaching drivers see you before you enter the crosswalk.

For more information on roundabouts see the Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal web site at: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/tran/roundabout> .

