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Green Lights are coming to a Midland County Road Commission vehicle near you

In order to promote safer driving conditions this winter season, Midland County Road Commission will be installing green lights – alongside its amber lights – to improve visibility of maintenance vehicles like snow plows.

The green cone in the human eye is the most sensitive, and has the largest wavelength. This means green lights appear brighter and can be seen from farther away than other color lights, making them suitable for enhanced visibility in inclement conditions.

“The green lights will be installed on all new equipment and the older equipment will be incorporated as time allows,” said Terry Palmer, Managing Director.

A September 2016 survey of Michigan’s county road agencies by the County Road Association of Michigan (CRA) revealed that more than 70 percent of agencies will be implementing green lights on part of their fleet this year, climbing to more than 85 percent in 2017 and beyond.

When drivers see green lights on a maintenance vehicle, Midland County Road Commission is asking them to slow down, be vigilant and steer clear of the roadwork, but stay on the roadway.