

2015 Mill and Overlay Project Baxter, Minnesota

Project Update



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Thank You!

The project team would like to thank you for your continued cooperation and patience on the project to date. Please feel free to contact SEH with questions or concerns regarding the project. We will make every attempt to provide you accurate answers in a timely manner.

Project Status

The week of August 24th, the Contractor has been continuing to focus on removals and replacement of targeted concrete curb and gutter, walk, and storm sewer catch basin casting replacement work in the Glory Road, Elder Drive, and Foley Road project area. Signal work has also been occurring at the Glory Road/Elder Drive intersection.

The schedule, in particular for the reclaiming and paving, is in a constant state of flux, depending on progress of the concrete work, availability of the paving crews, and weather. There is also coordination occurring with the BNSF railroad on overlapping their repairs to the Elder Drive crossing, and the City's planned street work. **There will be intermittent closures of the Elder Drive crossing during construction.** We will make every attempt to notify you of traffic switches. The Contractor has given the following updated schedule, weather dependent, subject to change:

- Week of August 31st: Reclaiming/Milling (i.e. turning paved road to gravel) and grading on the outside lanes of Glory Road, Elder Drive north of Garrison Road, and Foley Road. Traffic signal work at Glory Road/ Elder Drive and Glory Road/ TH 371, including turning off the signal at Glory Road/Elder Drive. Ongoing concrete curb and gutter, walk, and storm sewer catch basin casting replacement work including starting on Dellwood Drive.
- Week of September 8th: Ongoing concrete curb and gutter, walk, and storm sewer catch basin casting replacement and traffic signal work. Possibly start paving.

Local Access and Detour During Construction

Access will be maintained to all properties during construction; at times, properties with alternate access off non-project roads will see access off project roads closed. There will be periods of time when access may be temporarily limited such as when active construction is underway in front of your property. In order to construct the road and traffic signal modifications, the contractor will need to close off certain segments of the roads and driveways in the project area in stages. These would be longer duration temporary closures. Depending on stage, the direction of access to and from your property will change. There will also continue to be short duration temporary road and driveway closures during work hours and then reopening by the end of the day depending on what type of and where active work is occurring.

There will be posted detour routes for work in the Glory Road, Elder Drive, and Foley Road area. The team will make every effort to minimize disruption and communicate staging changes.

Preservation of Construction Stakes and Utility Flags....We need your help!

Please do not remove any wooden stakes you will see temporarily placed on the boulevards. These stakes are used by the Contractor to construct the project and are expensive to replace.

Also, please do not remove or relocate the colored utility location flags. These flags, in conjunction with the spray paint markings on the ground, are necessary for the Contractor to locate buried utilities.

We understand these flags may be unsightly and difficult to mow around, but we need your help to protect the construction crews and your business patrons and employees in your area. Your help in keeping bystanders away from the construction area will ensure the project will progress safely.

Construction Zone

Barricade and road closure signs will be installed in the project area to protect motorists and construction workers during construction. Please pay careful attention to the warning signs! "Road Closed" signs are used where the road is impassable and closed to all traffic except for the Contractor's equipment or officially authorized vehicles. "Road Closed to Thru Traffic" signs are used where through traffic must detour to avoid a closure some distance beyond the sign, but where local traffic can move up to the point of closure. In this instance, local traffic would be defined as customers, deliveries, and employee traffic to and from properties on the particular street under construction. For this project, adjacent business access will be maintained by existing alternate access not fronting project roads where possible to aid construction.

There will be times during construction that direct access to your driveway will be limited or inconvenient. Access will also be on a gravel surface including on the adjacent project road at times as well. Access to your property is important to us, and the Contractor will work to minimize those times that access must be limited.

As the Contractor's operations move during the course of construction, you will observe that signs and barricades move as well. We understand this may be frustrating! Please allow extra time in your schedule as you drive through the construction zone. Please advise your customers, delivery personnel, and employees to exercise caution and safe driving speeds. Be sure workers and heavy equipment operators see you before driving around them.

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