

2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project New Prague, Minnesota

Project Update



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This letter is being sent to inform you of the progress of construction activity on the above-referenced project.

Progress has been brisk over the past week with the concrete and paving work on the first roundabout at 12th Street and Columbus Avenue nearly complete. Preparation work is being done on the south roundabout at the intersection of County Road 37 and Columbus Avenue. The current detour is still in effect through this weekend to keep traffic away from the 12th Street and Columbus Avenue intersection as the work progresses and the last of the concrete cures.

Currently and through this weekend, the intersection of Columbus Avenue and 12th Street will remain closed to traffic. The intersection of Columbus Avenue and County Road 37 (7th Street) is currently open to traffic despite the gravel surface and all the activity in the area.

NOTE: It is planned that the detour route will change after the morning rush on Monday, August 12th, when the 12th Street intersection will be opened to traffic around 7:00 a.m. and the County Road 37 intersection will be closed to traffic by mid-morning on Monday.

Current access to the high school is from the west along Hwy 21 and 12th Street NW. On Monday, access to the high school will become easier as routes from the both the east as well as the west will be open.

We ask that drivers and residents continue to follow the posted detour signs and avoid the closed off area at County Road 37 and Columbus Avenue, which is planned to close on Monday, August 12th. There will be some slight adjustments to the detour route as the access changes for a period of time. A map is attached to this Project Update showing the planned detour route and affected areas.

While the paving and concrete work is finished or being finished, there will continue to be additional work in the area along with potential short term closures as topsoil, seeding, sign installation and striping take place in the two areas over the next couple of weeks.

We thank you for your patience and ask you to please use caution when traveling streets that are under construction. Especially use care when traveling by foot, as you may encounter rough terrain, utility trenches, or debris.

Please remember that schedules can change at a moment's notice because of weather, delays by subcontractors, or other unforeseen events.

If you haven't already done so, please send your name, street address, and e-mail address to Julie Brinkman at jbrinkman@sehinc.com to receive notices by e-mail.

If you have any question or concerns, feel free to contact me.

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DETOUR ROUTE FOR CLOSURE OF 7TH ST AND COLUMBUS AVE

----- SIGNED DETOUR ROUTE

