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TH 61/MAIN ST RECONSTRUCTION

Weekly Construction Update

Construction Includes:

- *New sanitary sewer main and service lines*
- *New water main and service lines*
- *New storm sewer*
- *New street pavement*
- *Street lighting & traffic signal upgrades*
- *Streetscape improvements*

Anticipated

Construction Complete:

- *Stage 1 TH 61 Concrete Paving:
Sept 15, 2015*
- *Stage 1 Full Completion:
Oct 8, 2015*

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PROJECT UPDATE

The Contractor at the end of the day today will have completed the majority of the mainline TH 61 concrete pavement. Last week the focus was on the northbound mainline concrete thru lanes and curb & gutter. This week the focus has been on the concrete work within the center of the roadway, consisting of the center left turn lane and the raised concrete medians at Old West Main and Franklin Street. The Contractor expects to have the center left turn lane and all of the median curb & gutter work fully completed by the end of the week. Then right away next week the Contractor plans to complete the filling of the medians with the decorative colored concrete.

Also planned for right away next week, Monday morning, is the start of the TH 61 milling operation from the end of the new concrete pavement to the end of the previously completed MnDOT project. The milling operation is planned to be completed in one day under traffic with temporary lane closures. The overlay work consisting of paving of the new bituminous roadway surface is planned weather dependent for next week Wednesday. In addition the Contractor also plans to complete the bituminous connections "tie-backs" for all of the local side streets on the north side of TH 61 next week, except for potentially Fulton Street as this is the only intersection where the concrete tie-back has yet to be completed.

The traffic control was revised this week to shift northbound TH 61 to its respective side of the roadway, this was a big milestone as traffic now for each direction of TH 61 is on their correct side, which has not been the case since work began back in April. The traffic control is still restricting travel to one lane each direction, currently within the outside lanes and will remain this way until all of the colored concrete work within the center of the roadway is completed mid-week next week. At that time the traffic control will be revised again, which will hopefully be the last major change, to shift traffic to the inside lanes. This will allow for the closure of the outside lane along northbound TH 61 in order to complete the remaining concrete driveway and sidewalk work, which is expected to take approximately two weeks.

In addition to the outside lane closure along northbound TH 61, will be the closure of the outside lane along southbound TH 61. This will allow for the remaining signal, landscaping, sodding, and tree work to start being completed while the north side concrete work is being finished up.

Lastly is the remaining concrete and bituminous work along Old West Main Street. The concrete curb work is planned to be completed next week under traffic and the bituminous paving work will follow once the concrete has cured with sufficient strength. There may be a short term closure of Old West Main during the paving operation, however no other long term closures of Old West Main Street are expected.

We thank you for your patience and continued cooperation.