



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING

Rockford, IL- The Spring Residential Sweeping cycle is complete as of Friday, June 21, 2019. Crews began the second Arterial Sweeping cycle on Monday, June 24, 2019. The Central Business District and City parking lots will continue to be swept regularly during the overnight hours throughout the summer.

The Fall Residential cycle is scheduled to begin around the first week of September, 2019. During the Fall Residential Sweeping Cycle, we will again provide weekly updates to highlight the areas of the city where street sweepers will be working. Maps will also be included to provide a visual of areas completed, not completed, and those in progress.

All Street Division Operations are dependent on existing weather conditions and are subject to change accordingly. Citizens are urged to approach Public Works Crews with caution and at a reduced speed that is below posted speed limits. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation as we perform our Street Maintenance Activities.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Harry Noble, Street Maintenance Supervisor, at (779) 348-7619.

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WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE

THE WEEK OF JULY 7, 2019

Rockford, IL- The following is an update of the current City of Rockford Unidirectional Flushing Program for the 2019 flushing season.

UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING PROGRAM:

Water Superintendent: Kyle Saunders (779) 348-7371
Assistant Superintendent: Mike Norris (779) 348-7359
Operations Supervisor: Devin Johnson (779) 348-7362

UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING BOUNDARIES:

North – Sandy Hollow
South – City Limits
East – Mulford Road
West – Rock River

PROJECT UPDATE:

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 6/30/2019 to 7/06/2019:

Residential Streets Flushed:

Maxine Lane	Montague Road	Island Avenue
Iris Avenue	Cole Avenue	S Central Avenue
Iroquois Avenue	Southrock Drive	Dawes Road

Projected Flushing Locations:

During the week of 7/07/2019 to 7/13/2019, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

35 th Street	Whale Avenue	Ashwinton Way
Bluffside Drive	20 th Street	Lincliff Drive
Trevor Circle	Logistics Parkway	Airport Drive

WATER QUALITY CONTACTS:

Water Quality Group:

(779) 348-7151

Customers are advised that they may experience discolored water during hydrant flushing. While not a health hazard, iron (red water) or manganese (black water) may become stirred up within the main while flushing which may create staining on porcelain and laundry. This may result in the disturbance of sediment, possibly containing lead. It is advised that you flush your water lines for one to two minutes once work is completed in your area, including removing and cleaning faucet aerator screens to remove sediment. For this reason, it is vital that the public be aware of the time and area that will be affected.

For a detailed map of hydrant flushing locations and when staff will be working in specific neighborhoods, please visit the City's web site at: <http://rockfordil.gov/public-works/water-division/hydrant-flushing>.

Water quality questions and concerns may be directed to the Water Quality Section at (779) 348-7151.

N GARDINER AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT ***(FROM GUILFORD ROAD TO RURAL STREET)***

Rockford, IL- N Gardiner Avenue from Guilford Road to Rural Street is now open to through traffic. The N Gardiner Avenue Water Main Replacement project is complete with the exception of remaining punch list items. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued cooperation and patience.

The N Gardiner Avenue Water Main Replacement Project consists of replacing a ninety year old six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

23RD STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT ***(FROM BROADWAY STREET TO 16TH AVENUE)***

Rockford, IL- 23rd Street from Broadway Street to 16th Avenue is now open to through traffic. The 23rd Street Water Main Replacement project is complete with the exception of remaining punch list items. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued cooperation and patience.

The 23rd Street Water Main Replacement Project consists of replacing ninety year old six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

WENTWORTH TOWER REHABILITATION
(2310 WENTWORTH AVENUE)

Rockford, IL- Maintenance activities continue to progress to rehabilitate the water tower at 2310 Wentworth Avenue. The project is anticipated to be completed early December 2019. The Wentworth Tower Rehabilitation Project consists of abrasive blasting and recoating of the interior wet, interior dry and exterior of the tank, ladder and catwalk improvements, as well as other various upgrades and improvements.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

BRUCE STREET AND LAPP COURT WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT
(FROM KILBURN AVENUE TO N HORSEMAN STREET)

Rockford, IL- Lapp Court from Kilburn Avenue to N Horseman Street is closed to through traffic so that water main installation may occur. Please note that access to residential homes will be maintained. This water main project is anticipated to be completed by early July 2019. The Bruce Street and Lapp Court Water Main Replacement project consists of replacing a one hundred five year old, six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances. This replacement project is being completed in conjunction with the Neighborhood Program – 2018 City Wide No. 3.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

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ENGINEERING DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

PAVEMENT STRIPING

Rockford, IL- Beginning the week of July 8, 2019, city-wide pavement striping for lane lines will be performed on the following roadways:

Alpine Road from Spring Creek Road to Newburg Road
Guilford Road from Alpine Road to Rural Street
Guilford Road from west of Alpine Road to Williamsburg Road
Parkview Road from Guilford Road to 1 block north
Birchwood Drive from Parkview Road to 1 block west
Rural Street from Longwood Street to Prospect Street
Fairview Boulevard from E State Street to Guilford Road
Welty Avenue from Guilford Road to E State Street
Trainer Road from Garrett Lane to south of Newburg Road
Lyford Road from E State Street to Rote Road
Show Place Drive from Northern Avenue to Ashwell Lane
University Drive from Blue River Road to end
Rote Road from Lyford Road to Reid Farm Road
McFarland Road from Riverside Boulevard to Rote Road
Olde Creek Road from Reid Farm Road to Perryville Road
Reid Farm Road from Olde Creek Road to Spring Creek Road
Bell School Road from Spring Creek Road to Spring Brook Road
Bell School Road from Argus Drive to Lucky Lane
Buckley Road from Argus Drive to Walton Road
Walton Road from Perryville Road to Bell School Road
Puri Parkway from Bienterra Terrace to Trainer Road
Mulford Village Drive from Executive Parkway to Puri Parkway
Executive Parkway from west of Mulford Road to Mulford Village Drive
Roxbury Road from E State Street to Parliament Place
New Towne Drive and Diane Drive from north of E State Street to Orchard Avenue
Argus Road from Trainer Road to Bell School Road
Bell School Road from Spring Brook Road to Riverside Boulevard

Mill Road from Argus Drive to Perryville Road
Mulford Road from Riverside Boulevard to Harrison Avenue
Northridge Drive from Forest Hills Road to Riverside Boulevard
Siseman Road from west of Alpine Road to east of Alpine Road
Pepper Drive from Forest Hills Road to Alpine Road
Innsbruck Drive from Alpine Road to east of Alpine Road
Landstrom Drive from Forest Hills Road to Bradley Road
Longwood Street from State Street to Y Boulevard
Whitman Street from Bridge to all ramps at interchange
Prospect Street from State Street to Arlington Road
Spring Brook Road from Spring Creek Road to Bell School Road
Shaw Woods Drive from Spring Brook Road to just south of Spring Creek Road
Highcrest Road from Comanche Drive to Spring Creek Road
Spring Creek Road from Mulford Road to Auburn Street (Bridge)
Market Street from Water Street to 4th Street
E State Street from Wyman Street to Water Street
Maray Drive from Alpine Road to Morsay Drive
Morsay Drive from Alpine to Fairview Boulevard
Applewood Lane from Old Collins Road to Riverside Boulevard
Eaton Street from north of N 2nd Street to south of N 2nd Street
Y Boulevard from Jughandle east of N 2nd Street to Madison Street
1st Street from Oak Street to Jefferson Street
2nd Street from Walnut Street to Division Street
Lynmar Court from Morsay Drive to E State Street
Benton Street from 6th Street to Longwood Street
Spafford Avenue from 6th Street to Longwood Street

The operation is dependent on existing weather conditions and is subject to change accordingly. City-wide pavement striping for lane lines will continue during the months of May through August.

Citizens are urged to approach striping crews at a reduced speed that is below posted speed limits. Proceed with caution traveling into the lane adjacent to the pavement striping crew and maintain a safe distance. Changing lanes in close proximity to the pavement striping crew is not recommended. Recent changes in EPA Regulations have mandated that manufacturers remove solvent-based driers from striping paint, thus creating extended drying times. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued cooperation.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jeremy Carter, Traffic Engineer, at (779) 348-7656 or Mark Stockman, Director of Public Works, at (779) 348-7631.

IDOT PROJECT LANE CLOSURES AND UPDATE

N MAIN STREET (IL 2) –

PIERCE AVENUE TO CAMPUS HILLS BOULEVARD

Rockford, IL- Starting the week of July 8, 2019, please be aware of a temporary lane closure north of the roundabout for tree planting as part of the construction project. Traffic control will be down to a minimum through the holiday weekend. Please be aware of the lane

closures that will remain in place over the holiday weekend. Restoration work continues to progress slowly near the intersection of N Main Street and Riverside Boulevard. Due to inclement weather, the completion of this operation has been delayed.

We ask that all drivers slow down and take extra precautions when traveling through the work zone to protect construction workers, emergency responders, other motorists, as well as themselves. Please expect delays throughout the construction zone and consider alternate routes for the duration of the project. Weather permitting, total completion for the project is scheduled for early summer 2019.

IDOT and the City will be coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout the project.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade, Senior Project Manager, at (779) 348-7642.

IDOT PROJECT UPDATE

S MAIN STREET (IL 2) AND US BYPASS 20 INTERCHANGE

Rockford, IL- The Illinois Department of Transportation continues with the reconstruction of US 20 and Illinois Route 2 Interchange. Please be aware of changes in traffic patterns as work progresses throughout the construction season.

To allow continued traffic movement, flaggers will be in place as needed for crossovers, detours, and lane reductions. This project is estimated to be completed by October 30, 2020. Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for travel through this area. When feasible, drivers are encouraged to consider alternate routes. Motorists are reminded to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices, as well as be alert for construction workers and equipment.

PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK- William Charles Construction will be reconstructing US 20 and IL 2 with new Portland Cement Concrete pavement and shoulders. The dual structures carrying US 20 over IL 2 will be removed and replaced. The existing cloverleaf interchange will be configured as a diamond interchange with new signal installations at the ramp intersections with IL 2. The cost of the project is \$24 million.

For construction updates from IDOT District 2, follow [@IDOTDistrict2](#) on Twitter or view construction details on IDOT's [traveler information map](#) on GettingAroundIllinois.com. IDOT and the City will continue coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout this project.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade, Senior Project Manager, at (779) 348-7642.

KEITH CREEK BANK STABILIZATION AND BRIDGE REMOVAL
PHASE I & II - CONSTRUCTION

Rockford, IL- The reconstruction of Keith Creek Phase I is almost complete. Phase I construction is on schedule to meet the completion deadline by the end of June 2019. The intersection of 5th Street and 7th Avenue is open to local traffic. There are a few remaining items for completion at this intersection. Therefore, please be aware of workers and equipment when driving through this location.

Work continues to progress along the Keith Creek between 7th Street and 8th Street. Completion for Phase II is on schedule to meet the completion date of August 2, 2019. Please be aware of construction workers and equipment coming and going from the construction site.

The scope of Phase I is from 5th Street to 7th Street along Keith Creek. The project consists of removing the bridge at 5th Street over the creek, reconstructing the 5th Street and 7th Avenue intersection, reinforcing the banks with sheet piling in certain areas, as well as reshaping and stabilizing the creek banks. Please be advised that the 5th Street Bridge has been permanently removed.

Phase II project limits are from 7th Street to Railroad Avenue along Keith Creek. The scope of work is the same as Phase I with some minor changes. The bridge at 8th Avenue will be permanently removed during this phase. Please be aware of equipment and workers as well as follow all traffic control through the duration of this project.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade, Senior Project Manager, at (779) 348-7642.

BLACKHAWK PARK AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION
(FROM CHRISTINA STREET TO SEMINARY STREET)

Rockford, IL- The reconstruction of Blackhawk Park Avenue continues to progress. Blackhawk Park Avenue is closed to through traffic from Christina Street east to Seminary Street for the removal of existing concrete roadway.

New asphalt pavement along with curb and gutter will be constructed. This roadwork is expected to take four to six weeks. All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Ryan Lundberg, Project Manager, at (779) 348-7644.

CITY WIDE STREET REPAIRS GROUP NO. 1 – 2019 (RESIDENTIAL)

Rockford, IL- Construction work has begun on the City Wide Street Repairs Group No. 1 – 2019 (Residential) Project. This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the city.

Full width resurfacing with curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, drainage repairs, and structure repairs will occur as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Ashdale Close from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac
- 2) Ashwin Boulevard from Spring Creek Road to Villagreen View
- 3) Bell Vista Terrace from Grandchester Place to Bell School Road
- 4) Flower Hill Road from Lark Rise to Cul-de-sac
- 5) Mindy Lane from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac (West)
- 6) Mindy Lane from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac (East)
- 7) Rainsford Way from Chenowith Court to Sandringham Lane
- 8) Shadow Ridge Road from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac
- 9) Shadow Ridge Road from Thoren Lane to Reid Farm Road
- 10) Thoren Lane from Guilford Road to Shadow Ridge Road
- 11) Villagreen View from Reid Farm Road to Perrygreen Way
- 12) Laurel Cherry Drive from Stony Creek Way to Willowick Lane
- 13) Burningtrees Drive from Alpine Road to Crofton Drive
- 14) Cassandra Court from Cassandra Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 15) Clarendon Drive from Spring Lake Drive to Suffolk Place
- 16) Flambeau Court from Flambeau Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 17) Grenoble Court from Innsbruck Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 18) Gingeridge Lane Drainage
- 19) Northcliffe Court Drainage
- 20) Thyme Drive from Innsbruck Drive to Crested Butte Trail
- 21) Weaver Court from Weaver Road to Cul-de-sac
- 22) Weaver Road from Kaiser Lane to Live Oak Lane
- 23) 16th Avenue from Raismore Road to Alpine Road
- 24) 25th Street from Broadway to Hillside Court
- 25) Bavarian Lane from Jacqueline Drive to Angus Court
- 26) Greendale Drive from Colorado Avenue to Silent Wood Trail
- 27) Remington Road from Louisiana Road to Public Lane
- 28) Cameron Avenue at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Alida Street
- 29) Karen Drive from North Rockton Avenue to Packard Parkway
- 30) North Winnebago Street from Auburn Street to Burton Street
- 31) Vernon Street from Bruner Street to Carney Avenue
- 32) Latham Street from Deborah Avenue to Halsted Road
- 33) Pleasant Valley Boulevard from Carefree Drive to Pecan Street
- 34) River Bluff Boulevard from Louise Street to Fremont Street
- 35) River Bluff Boulevard from Latham Street to North Church Street
- 36) Talbot Trail from Dunbar Place to Eaton Drive
- 37) Arnold Avenue from Newburg Road to Marion Avenue
- 38) Beckett Place from Charles Street to Longmeadow Lane
- 39) Einor Avenue from Arnold Avenue to Duncan Avenue
- 40) Grassridge Road from Old Oaks Court to Cul-de-sac
- 41) Mayflower Avenue from Colony Bay Drive to South Alpine Road
- 42) Old Oaks Court from Grassridge Road to Cul-de-sac
- 43) Winnetka Drive from Upland Drive to Skokie Drive
- 44) Lyford Road from Royal Oaks Road to Rote Road

Bituminous Patching with curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, and structure repairs will occur as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Sauber Avenue Patching from Huffman Boulevard to North Winnebago Street
- 2) Fulton Avenue Patching from Hecker Avenue to Huffman Boulevard
- 3) Colony Bay Drive Patching from Mayflower Avenue to Sandy Hollow Road
- 4) Javelin Drive Patching from Woodridge Drive to South New Towne Drive
- 5) South New Towne Drive from East State Street to Javelin Drive

Construction for this project is anticipated to be complete by July 19, 2019.

Construction operations for these locations may require a parking restriction at some short periods.

For questions regarding this projects, please contact Steve Sumner, Senior Project Manager, at (779)348-7645.

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