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Project Stakeholders,

5/13/2023 Project Update & Traffic Control

- Over the last week the City's prime contractor, Kraemer Trucking & Excavating, Inc (KTE), completed multiple lower disruption targeted removal activities. This work was mainly done to help facilitate private utility relocation work. Private utility company (electric, gas, communications) relocation work has been ongoing on and around the project limits.
- There has also been significant ongoing survey crew activity by WiDSETH, who is on the engineering team working with SEH and the City, installing wood lath with paint/ribbons. The private utility companies have been and will continue marking their buried facilities with flags and paint throughout the project. Please do not disturb the survey stakes and utility flags as they are necessary for assisting with construction activities and for safety.
- For the week of May 15th, KTE has advised that their erosion control and landscaping subcontractor Doucette's Landscaping will be out installing erosion control (i.e. silt fence) throughout the project. Private utility company relocation work will also continue, which is anticipated to be ongoing through May.
- KTE is planning to start the first of two main construction phases (Phase 1) **on May 30th. This work will impact local traffic patterns.** KTE and their subcontractors will be working at the Hinckley Road/ Douglas Fir Drive intersection, and on Cypress Drive between Hinckley Road and College Road with Phase 1. A notice of the corresponding road closures will be sent out closer to the start date. Special signage will also be installed to assist with maintaining access to businesses and residences.
- Throughout the project KTE and their subcontractors will be working on the future road corridors of Douglas Fir Drive south of Hinckley Road and Cypress Drive between Hinckley Road and Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48). These areas are off of existing roads and will not directly affect traffic.
- Phase 2 of construction, that includes a planned 50-day closure of Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48), in order to construct a roundabout at Cypress Drive, is planned to occur some time between Memorial Day and Labor Day. The current start date is July 5th, subject to change. A notice of the corresponding road closure will be sent out closer to the start date. There will also be a posted detour route for this work.
- Overall project completion of construction is planned for October 2023.

During construction, please contact Alex Bitter – WiDSETH Construction Engineer at 218.316.3627 with any questions as he is on site frequently and communicates directly with everyone on the construction team on a daily basis. If you are unable to reach Alex B. in the field, please contact Scott Hedlund at 612.865.3509 or Alex Voit at 218.821.0085 in the SEH office.

The 24-hour emergency contact for the construction prime contractor is: Mitch Torborg, Project Manager, Kraemer Trucking and Excavating, Inc, 320.249.5621, mitcht@kraemer-inc.com

Please convey this information to others in your organization, co-workers, customers, tenants, etc. Please forward me any additional email addresses you'd like me to include on future project updates as they will be conveyed by email and project website postings only.

Project Website → <https://www.sehinc.com/baxter2023cypress>

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

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