



**CITY of CRYSTAL**

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## 2022 Utility Reconstruction June 10, 2022

### Construction Updates and Schedule

Please keep in mind that the construction schedule may change due to a variety of factors including weather and subsurface conditions. The contractor will make an effort to notify properties with utility or driveway access restrictions.

**Edgewood Ave Cul-de-sac** – Tree removals are complete, and the removal of the existing pavement and curb and gutter has begun. The installation of the temporary water main will be completed early next week at which time the construction of the new sanitary sewer service will begin.

Construction on the cul-de-sac segment is expected to last approximately three months.

**Florida Ave / 31<sup>st</sup> Ave (30<sup>th</sup> Ave to Hampshire Ave)** – Tree removals are complete. The remainder of construction is tentatively scheduled to begin on **June 20**. Schedule updates will be provided as the schedule becomes clearer. Access to the street for residents will be maintained throughout construction however, segments of the road will need to be closed from time to time due to the nature of the work.

Construction on Florida Ave / 31<sup>st</sup> Ave is expected to last approximately three months.

**Edgewood Ave (29<sup>th</sup> Ave to 30<sup>th</sup> Ave)** – Tree removals are complete. The remainder of construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in late July. Schedule updates will be provided when the start date becomes clearer. Access to the street for residents will be maintained throughout construction however, segments of the road will need to be closed from time to time due to the nature of the work.

Construction on Edgewood Ave is expected to last approximately two months.

### Construction Hours

To complete work as efficiently as possible, during the longer summer days the contractor will likely begin work early in the morning and continue into the evening hours. In accordance with the City code, work hours are 7 am to 10 pm (Monday thru Friday). Depending on weather and unforeseen construction delays, work on Saturdays may also be required at certain times. Per City Code, work hours are 8am to 9pm on any weekend or holiday.

### Tree Removals

As a result of the utility work (including services), several trees in the project area were removed due to their close proximity to where the utility service work will be occurring. The utility excavations will have to cut through a

significant portion of the tree root systems and significantly compromise the health of the tree. Property owners where trees will be removed will be contacted this fall about replacement tree options that would be planted on their property.

### Trash and Recycling Pickup

Trash and recycling pickup will continue throughout construction on the normal collection day. When construction is taking place on your street, please continue to place receptacles at the end of your driveway as normal. As needed, Northwest Asphalt will pick up the receptacles, place in a common location outside of the construction limits and return them to the end of each driveway following collection. Please place receptacles on the curb by 6:00 AM on collection day.

It is requested that each resident label their receptacles with their address to assist Northwest in returning the carts to the right home.

When construction is not taking place on your street, trash and recycling pickup will continue to be from the end of your driveway as normal.

### Mail Pickup

Mail pickup will continue as normal throughout construction. Residents may continue to place outgoing mail in their mailbox for pickup.

## Utility Service and Driveway Access

Efforts will be made to maintain active utility services and access to each driveway during construction. However, there will be times when this is not possible (i.e. sewer construction, water main construction, preparation and paving of curb and gutter, etc). Impacted residents will be notified via door hanger the day before restrictions will be in effect. Please make sure to routinely check your main door for door hanger updates.

The Crystal Police Department has been notified that residents will need to park on the street when driveway access is not possible.

**Please watch for and follow construction notices regarding access to your driveway. Failure to heed the notices and leave a vehicle in the driveway may result in that vehicle being stuck in the driveway for an extended period of time.**

### Private Utilities

**CenterPoint Energy** – Crews have completed the installation of new gas and services within the project area. No other private utility work is expected to occur with the project.

### Sanitary Sewer Service Lining Program

For those that received the agreements, the deadline to return them has passed and will not be extended.

### Communications

**Comments or Questions? Please contact us (please include your address)**

Spencer Szymonowicz (SEH)  
at 952-449-1417

Or

[PW.Projects@crystalmn.gov](mailto:PW.Projects@crystalmn.gov)

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## Important Reminders

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**Emergencies:** If you have an **emergency situation** regarding the street reconstruction project after working hours, please call 911.

**Construction Safety:** Please remind your children to stay **as far as possible** from all construction activities and equipment. **Construction safety is our utmost concern and your cooperation is imperative.** Construction activities are extremely dangerous and we do not want any mishaps. Please also use caution and drive slowly when driving through the project area, especially when work is actively occurring and construction equipment is on the move.

**Survey Stakes and Utility Flags:** Surveyor stakes and colored utility flags will continue to be placed along streets throughout the project. They are hard to miss because they have a colored ribbon or flags tied to them. These stakes and flags guide the contractors operations. **Please do not tamper with these stakes in any way. These must remain in place until the sod is placed in front of your home.**

**Yard Parties:** Please let us know now of any large events you have planned at your home during the spring, summer, and fall. These events include, but might not be limited to, large yard parties for graduations or wedding receptions.

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### Construction Updates

Construction update newsletters will be mailed to properties in the street reconstruction area throughout the course of the project. You may also sign up to receive electronic PDF copies of these updates by visiting the link below and scrolling down to “Newsletter Signup”, located in the 2022 Utility Reconstruction portion of the page.

[https://www.crystalmn.gov/our\\_city/public\\_works\\_projects](https://www.crystalmn.gov/our_city/public_works_projects)

### Written correspondence

You can put project-related written correspondence in the utility payment mailbox located outside city hall or mail it to City Hall. However, email is preferred correspondence method.

### Construction Videos:

Residents will see a wide variety of work going on and the street dug up multiple times. To view City-produced YouTube videos explaining various utility reconstruction topics, please follow the link below and scroll down to the “Reconstruction Project Video

Series”, located in the 2022 Utility Reconstruction portion of the page.

[https://www.crystalmn.gov/our\\_city/public\\_works\\_projects](https://www.crystalmn.gov/our_city/public_works_projects)

### Neighborhood Information Packet:

In the fall of 2021, we mailed a Neighborhood Information Packet to residents with information on a wide variety of topics related to the 2022 Utility Reconstruction Project. This packet contained information that you may find to be a helpful resource throughout the project. If you did not save your copy of this packet and would like a new one, please contact the project team.

### ACTION ITEMS

- Label your trash, recycling, and yard waste carts with your address using a sharpie by **Tuesday, June 14.**
- Remind children of the importance of staying away from construction activities and equipment.