



High School Wash Drainage Improvements Construction Schedule Update

May 2014

After finalizing contractual issues, the Pima County Regional Flood Control District in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will begin construction of a major drainage facility along Eighth Street, between Third and Fourth Avenues and north on Third Avenue from Eighth Street to the Tucson High School stadium. This project is being funded by the Army Corps of Engineers and Pima County and is the final phase of a long-term floodplain containment project that began in 1996 with the Randolph Park Detention Basins and has extended to the west.

The drainage improvements will include lowering a 48" water line along Third Avenue and constructing a 12 by 8 foot cast-in-place concrete drainage facility along Eighth Street and Third Avenue. When complete, the flows from High School Wash will be diverted to the new facility. This finished project will improve historical flooding problems in this area and may allow properties in the area to be removed from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodplain.

Major construction, which will require the complete closures of portions of Eighth Street and Third Avenue, is **scheduled to begin on Monday, June 2, 2014** and may continue through early 2015.

- The intersection of Eighth Street and Third Avenue will be closed from Monday, June 2, 2014 through February 2015.
- Eighth Street, from Fourth Avenue to just east of Hoff Avenue will be closed from Monday, June 2, 2014 through September 2014. Eighth Street from Hoff Avenue to just east of Third Avenue will remain closed through February 2015.
- Third Avenue, just north and south of its intersection with Eighth Street will be closed from Monday, June 2, 2014 through February 2015.
- The intersection of Hoff Avenue and Eighth Street will be closed from Monday, June 2, 2014 through September 2014.
- Bean Avenue will be converted temporarily to southbound one-way travel between Eighth and Seventh Streets.
- Hoff Avenue will be converted temporarily to two-way travel between Seventh and Eighth Streets.
- Most sidewalk access will be maintained around the work area, however, there may be brief closures to accommodate utility connection and/or relocation work.
- Public parking will not be permitted within the construction work area from Monday, June 2, 2014 through February 2015. **Special Permitted parking will be allowed in designated areas.**
- Hunter Contracting, a local contractor, will build the project. Crews will be working primarily during the day except when special activities require nighttime work. For example, some waterline work may be done at night so as not to inconvenience businesses or residents.

If you would like to receive construction updates electronically, or if you want to discuss other needs you may have during construction, please contact Kathy or Nanette at **520-623-3073**.

Thank you.

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