

Community Update – September 2023 Bayou St. John, Fairgrounds, Seventh Ward Group B

Bayou St. John, Fairgrounds, Seventh Ward Group B is a patch mill overlay project happening simultaneously in the same neighborhoods assigned to the Bayou St. John, Fairgrounds, Seventh Ward Group A project. The project spans across approximately 140-blocks with three blocks being full reconstruction of the roadway along with subsurface utility work.

Temporary inconveniences do tend to accompany infrastructure upgrades; however, in this case, the delays and access issues have been excessive. In recent months, leaders from the City Infrastructure Team have been conducting site visits and working closely with the combined Sewerage and Water Board New Orleans (SWBNO) / Department of Public Works (DPW) project management and construction contractor team. We are committed to holding all members of the team accountable to finding solutions for the issues holding up construction, as well as to getting this work completed with an improved quality of life for the community. Following is an update and path forward on completing this project without anymore excessive delays by the anticipated winter 2024 end date.

Project Outlook

Due to delays on this project crews will continue to work some weekends to meet critical deadlines outlined in this update. **Residents will be notified ahead of any weekend work**. Additionally, RoadworkNOLA has been made aware of the lack of communication with signage and notifications on this project. We apologize for the inconvenience and are working with the contractors and DPW daily to correct these issues.

Roadway removal will occur this month on the following blocks: 2000 St. Anthony St.; 1700 Allen St.; and 2000-2100 N. Robertson St.

Roadway restoration will continue with fine grading on 2200 St. Anthony St. Preparation for roadway restoration will occur on 1200 N. Broad St. and 2300 St. Anthony. Concrete work will occur on 3100 Bell St. and 1200 N. Broad St. Wearing course will be completed on 2700 Bruxelles St., 1650, 2400 Bell St. 1750 and 1800 N. Tonti St. throughout September.

This **\$23M** Bayou St. John, Fairgrounds, Seventh Ward Group B project began in October 2020. The project was designed by Urban Systems Associates Inc. and is being constructed by Barriere Construction. The scope of work varies block by block but includes the following:

- Repaving the asphalt roadway from curb-to-curb
- Replacing damaged portions of concrete with new concrete
- Patching the roadway with asphalt, repairing damaged sidewalks and driveway aprons
- Installing ADA compliant curb ramps at intersections
- Replacing/repairing damaged underground water, sewer and/or drainage lines

How to Stay Informed

Questions about this project may be directed to roadwork@nola.gov or to our RoadworkNOLA hotline 504.658.ROAD (7623) or sign up for RoadworkNOLA text alerts by texting ROADWORK to 77295, or go to ready.nola.gov/alerts to create a whole profile and select the "roadwork" alert list.