

Community Update – August 1, 2023 Oak Park Drainage Upgrades

First and foremost, thank you for your continued patience. We recognize that temporary inconveniences do tend to accompany infrastructure upgrades and we are grateful for your continued patience as crews work to finish the project by the anticipated fall 2023 end date. Construction of two blocks of Perlita Drive started in February of 2023 with drainage and utility install on the 6000 - 6100 blocks of Perlita Drive.

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 for finding solutions for the issues as identified during construction, as well as to getting this work completed with an improved quality of life for the community.

30-Day Forecast

The Department of Public Works (DPW) and Cycle Construction, LLC. continue to install the subsurface stormwater tank and subsurface street drainage. Cycle has completed the upgrades and repairs to the sewer lines, sewer main, and water lines. Starting in August and running into the end summer, Cycle will be completing the subsurface street drainage and starting the construction of Perlita Street from Burbank to Aviators, which includes the sidewalks and bioswale. The R-Tank is being built and installed simultaneously with a goal of finishing that before the middle of September.

This **\$5.3M** Oak Park Drainage Upgrade project began in February 2023. The project was designed collaboratively by Meyer Engineers and Professional Engineering Consultants and is being constructed by Cycle Construction, L.L.C. This project is intended to help alleviate flooding by increasing the capacity of subsurface drainage between local streets and trunk lines as well as by using green infrastructure options which may include retention/detention basins, street basins, rain gardens, and street-side bioswales.

The scope of work varies block by block but includes the following:

- Installing stormwater tank;
- Repaving the roadways and curbs;
- Replacing damaged sidewalks and driveway aprons; and
- Installing Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant curb ramps at intersections.

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.