

French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project – Phase 2 Status Update – August 2, 2019

The City of New Orleans, Department of Public Works and Sewerage & Water Board began a full reconstruction project on Bourbon Street from St. Louis to Dumaine streets (500-800 blocks) on September 17, 2018. Work is occurring sequentially from the 500 – 800 blocks, <u>with ONLY one block fenced off at a</u> <u>time throughout construction</u>. All businesses along this corridor are open and accessible throughout construction.



- Mayor LaToya Cantrell

The City is roughly seventy percent complete with the project; the contractor has fully reconstructed the roadway between St. Louis

and Orleans streets (500-700 blocks) with upsized drainage, a better sewer system, new sidewalks and new, smoother pavement. Additionally, the lighting and security have been upgraded between St. Louis and St. Peter streets. Entergy Gas and Entergy Electric have also completed upgrades to their services in those blocks.

The \$9.5 million cost-shared project, which is anticipated to run through fall 2019, was designed by Mott McDonald, LLC and is being constructed by Hard Rock Construction, LLC. Project partners include Entergy Electric, Entergy Gas, Cox Communications and AT&T.

Demobilization for Red Dress Run

No work will take place on Saturday, August 10 due to the Red Dress Run. All equipment and materials will be contained with the fence in the 800/900 block.

Demobilization for Southern Decadence

Like the demobilization for Mardi Gras, the contractor will completely demobilize all labor and materials, including fencing, from the site and temporarily backfill any trenches by close of business on Wednesday, August 28. The contractor will resume operations on Tuesday, September 3.

Attend our "Conversation on the Corner"

The next Phase 2 bi-weekly community status meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 13, at 10:30 a.m. at the Bourbon Orleans Hotel, 717 Orleans Street, St. Joseph Salon.

Bollard Installation

Installation of the moveable bollard system that will enhance public safety in the 500-700 blocks of Bourbon Street will begin in the September timeframe. For more information on the Matador Bollard System, click <u>here</u>.

500 Block (St. Louis to Toulouse)

All major construction, with the exception of the bollard installation, has been completed on this block.

600 Block (Toulouse to St. Peter)

All major construction, with the exception of the bollard installation and an Entergy lateral duct bank, has been completed on this block. The contractor will be re-topping the sidewalk adjacent to the Krazy Korner next week.

700 Block (St. Peter to Orleans)

All major construction, with the exception of the bollard installation, has been completed on this block.



Roadway Closure - 750 Block (Orleans to St. Ann)

Crews have completed the concrete base on the riverside sidewalks (pictured) and will be pouring the lakeside concrete today. They will begin installing the riverside slate and lakeside bricks next week. Weather permitting, sidewalks will be completed by Friday, August 9 in advance of Red Dress Run. <u>Once complete, business owners are reminded to wait for approximately two weeks before hosing down the new slate / bricks.</u>

Roadway Closure - 800 Block (St. Ann to Dumaine)

Crews are scheduled to complete the new waterline installation this weekend. Businesses and residents should anticipate a water line tie-in toward the end of next week. **NOTE:** This activity will cause a temporary interruption of water service in the 800 block. The contractor will distribute specific information in advance of this activity.

Roadway Closure - Dumaine Intersection and Partial 900 Block Closure

Crews continue to work on installing new utilities in the Dumaine intersection and approximately forty feet into the 900 block. Crews are expected to complete this work and reopen the intersection/900 block in mid-August.

UPCOMING ADDITIONAL WORK - St. Ann Reconstruction between Dauphine and Bourbon streets

While crews were completing a sewer point repair in the St. Ann intersection in September, the condition of the sewer line prompted an additional assessment between Dauphine and Bourbon, which indicated that the section of roadway needs a full reconstruction. Full reconstruction will likely begin in the fall, after the 800 block of Bourbon is complete. *UPDATE* **NOTE:** Entergy Gas and Entergy Electric will be working in advance of the City on this block to ensure safety. Canvassing will be done in advance of the start of Entergy's work, which will likely begin on or around August 12 once the 750 block of Bourbon and St. Ann intersection are reopened to vehicular traffic

Entergy Electric & Gas

Entergy Electric will be working on three laterals in the 800 block this weekend. Entergy Gas and Entergy Electric will be working in advance of the City on St. Ann between Bourbon and Dauphine. Canvassing will be done in advance of the start of this work, which will likely begin on or around August 12 once the 750 block of Bourbon and St. Ann intersection are reopened to vehicular traffic.

Overall Project Sequence of Construction

Block	Tentative Schedule (Fence in place)		* Approximate Total Days Per Block (Including Sidewalks)
500 (St. Louis – Toulouse)	9/24/18 - 11/30/18		75 Days
600 (Toulouse – St. Peter)	12/03/18 – 1/27/19		75 Days
700 (St. Peter – St. Ann)	1/27/19 – 2/17/19, 5/20/19 – 7/8/2019		75 Days
800/ 900 (St. Ann – Dumaine and 40ft into the 900 block)	7/8/19 – 8/28/2019		75 Days
Total Days *Once the contractor moves the fence to the next block, sidewalks in the previous block will be worked on simultaneously		250 Working Days Total (exclusive of weather / events days)	

Demobilization for other Events / Holidays

The Contractor must contain equipment and materials within the block that is fenced off. No work will take place during the following event days or holidays: **August 10**: Red Dress Run | **August 29 – September 2**: Southern Decadence, Labor Day

Please Help Us Get the Message Out

We want to ensure that this information is reaching as many people as possible – French Quarter businesses, residents, hospitality workers, etc. Please help us to get the message out by sharing our weekly updates with your

neighbors, staff; post in your breakrooms, on intranets, etc. If you wish to have anyone or any group added to our distribution list, please send an e-mail to roadwork@nola.gov. Thank you!

AT&T Service Outage Reporting Process

To ensure service restoration and proper credit, AT&T residential customers MUST report problems to 1-800-288-2020. Business customers MUST report problems to 1-877-438-0041. After reporting problems to AT&T, customers may also send e-mail to roadwork@nola.gov to help expedite the process.

Garbage Corrals

Garbage must be placed in appropriate corrals at the end of each intersecting block between 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please refrain from leaving garbage cans on Bourbon St. as pedestrian access must be maintained. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

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