

## French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project Status Update – August 21, 2017

The City of New Orleans, Department of Public Works, along with the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, is currently implementing a **multi-million dollar** reconstruction project which calls for removing and replacing existing water and drainage lines, repairing the sewer line, repaving the roadway in concrete, installing new sidewalks when necessary and installing American with Disabilities Act-compliant curb ramps at intersections.

### UPDATE: 500 – 800 Blocks of Bourbon Street

Due to the significant rain delays, unforeseen site conditions and budget, the City has determined that it will complete the French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project in two phases. Phase 1, which includes fully reconstructing the 100 – 400 blocks of Bourbon St. and installing safety bollards, will be completed by Dec. 2017 under the Department of Public Works' maintenance contract. Phase 2, which includes fully reconstructing the 500 – 800 blocks of Bourbon St., will be designed, bid and awarded through a separate contract with the goal of starting in May 2018. The plan for bollard installation in the 400-800 blocks has not yet been finalized; until that time, the NOPD barricades will be used during major events.

### *“Conversation on the Corner”*

The bi-weekly community status meetings is held every other Thursday morning at 10 a.m. The next meeting will be held this **Thursday, August 24, at 10 a.m.** on the corner of **Bienville and Bourbon** streets. **NOTE: In the event of rain, we will meet at the PJ's in the Royal Sonesta.**

### *Work Schedule*

Construction crews are currently working from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. as weather permits. When possible, crews may work until 8 p.m.; however, high volumes of pedestrian activity make moving equipment more challenging late in the day.

### *Traffic Status*

#### **Ongoing Intersection Closure at Iberville St.**

Expect the traffic closure at the intersection of Iberville St., which began on Wednesday, July 26, to last until the end of next week, **September 1**, as crews finish installing underground electrical duct banks, drain lines and water lines. The intersection will be repaved in concrete prior to re-opening.

#### **Future Intersection Closure at Bienville St.**

Expect a traffic closure at the intersection of Bienville St. to facilitate installation of underground utilities in the intersection in September. The closure will last approximately two to three weeks.

### 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 do 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](mailto: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](mailto:roadwork@nola.gov) to expedite the process.

## Garbage Corrals

Garbage must be **placed in appropriate corrals** at the end of each intersecting block (Iberville, Bienville and Conti) between 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please refrain from leaving garbage cans on the Bourbon St. sidewalk as we are required to maintain pedestrian access.

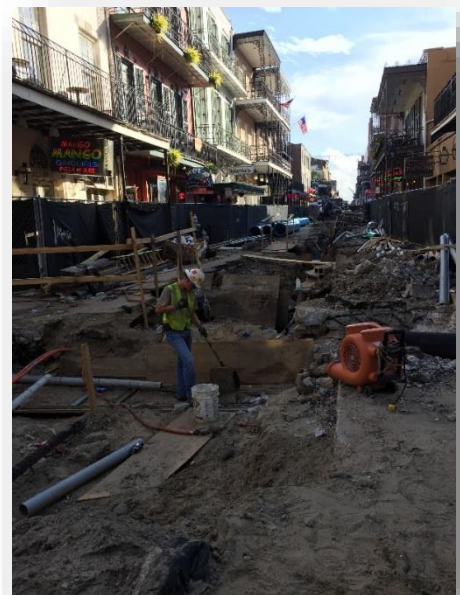
## 100 (Canal – Iberville) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Apr. 24 – Aug. 23

- Full block closure remains in effect until TOMORROW, weather permitting.
- **Ongoing travel lane closure:** Expect the river side travel lane on Canal St. between Dorsiere and Bourbon streets to remain closed to allow for deliveries to the site.
- **Ongoing intersection closure:** The traffic closure at the intersection of Iberville St. remains in effect until **September 1**, as crews install underground electrical duct banks and drain lines. Crews completed the 8-inch water line tie-in. The intersection will be repaved in concrete prior to re-opening.
- Entergy Electric will be working on the lakeside streetlights this week.
- Friendly reminder to adjacent businesses that **sidewalk signage** should be taken into your venue each night.
- **PAVEMENT RESTORATION:** As crews complete permanent pavement restoration, the fence in the 100 block of Bourbon was removed on Tuesday and will be **reopened for pedestrian traffic ONLY** on August 23.
- **SIDEWALK RESTORATION:** Restoration of brick sidewalks will begin TODAY, Wednesday, August 23, weather permitting, once the roadway is re-opened for pedestrian traffic.



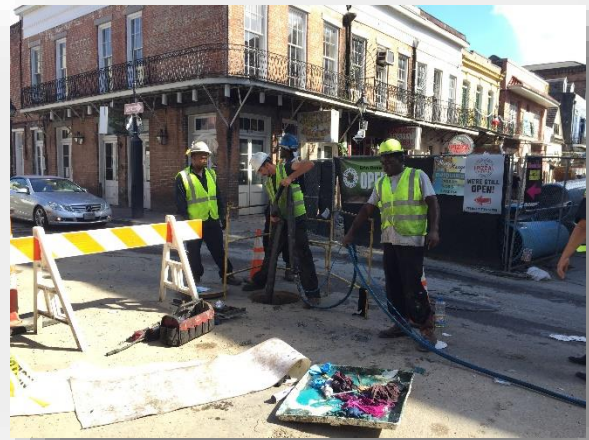
## 200 (Iberville – Bienville) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Jul. 5 – Mid-October

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Entergy Electric crews are now installing the main duct bank. This work is scheduled to last for another week.
- **SIDEWALK CLOSURES:** Entergy Gas will have intermittent lakeside sidewalk closures throughout the week.
- Approximately one-third (100 feet) of the 12-inch drainage line has been installed. The remainder will be completed in 10 days, weather permitting.
- Plan to place garbage cans in appropriate corrals at the intersection of Iberville and Bienville streets. Garbage cans and carts may not be placed on the Bourbon St. sidewalk until construction is completed in the 200 block.
- **Future intersection closure:** Expect a traffic closure at the intersection of Bienville St. to facilitate installation of underground utilities in the intersection in September. The closure will last approximately two to three weeks.



## 300 (Bienville - Conti) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: May 15 – Mid-September

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Construction crews have installed the entire water main in this block and are now performing chlorination testing. No disruptions in services are expected during this testing period.
- Construction crews will install the remaining drain lines in this block by the end of the week.
- Crews continue lining the existing sewer pipes.
- Friendly reminder to the adjacent businesses that the **sidewalk signage** should be taken into your venue each night.
- Concrete pavement installation is scheduled to begin after crews complete drainage and water lines in block. This is tentatively scheduled to begin in late August, weather permitting.



## 400 (Conti – St. Louis) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Sept. 5 – Dec. 2017

- Fencing will be installed on the 400 block once the 100 block has been re-opened to vehicular traffic.
- **SIDEWALK CLOSURES:** Entergy Gas will have intermittent sidewalk closures throughout the week.

## 500 - 800 (St. Louis - Dumaine)

- Stockpiled material will remain in this block through the end of the week.
- Phase 2, 500 – 800 blocks of Bourbon St., of the FQIIP would begin in May 2018.

Questions about our French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project may be directed via e-mail to [roadwork@nola.gov](mailto:roadwork@nola.gov) or to our RoadworkNOLA hotline 504.658.ROAD (7623).

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