

French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project Status Update – October 16, 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.

“Conversation on the Corner”

The bi-weekly community status meeting is held every other Thursday morning at 10 a.m. The next meeting will be held this **Thursday, October 19th 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.**

Traffic Status

The Intersection of Conti at Bourbon street is currently closed

Pending weather, the closure at Bourbon and Conti St. may end on Wednesday, Oct. 18. Flaggers will continue to be available at the intersections of Dauphine at Conti streets and Royal at Conti streets to facilitate deliveries and access to parking garages.

Future Intersection Closure at Bienville St.

A future closure at the intersection of Bienville at Bourbon St. is tentatively scheduled to begin on Thursday, Oct. 19, pending weather delays. The closure will last several weeks. The closure is required to facilitate installation of underground utilities in the intersection and will begin once the Conti St. intersection re-opens. Flaggers will be available at the intersections of Dauphine at Bienville streets, and Royal at Bienville streets to facilitate deliveries and access to parking garages.

100 (Canal – Iberville)

- Bollard installation is tentatively scheduled for early November.

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

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Crews are performing necessary chlorination and pressure tests on the newly installed waterline early this week. Expect to receive an additional notice about a potential water line tie-in later this week. Connecting the new water line to the existing utilities would occur early morning from about 4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
- Drainage work is now 60% percent complete.
- 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.

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

- Full block closure remains in effect though pavement has been placed.
- Safety fencing has been removed. Pedestrian traffic has been re-routed from the sidewalks to the new roadway. Asphalt and wooden access ramps are facilitating access to business during sidewalk work.
- Sidewalk demolition on both the lake and river side of the block is underway. Crews are scheduled to place concrete sidewalk base on Friday, Oct. 20, weather permitting. Brick installation will begin next week and may last up to two weeks.
- Streetlight pedestal bases are being installed this week.



400 (Conti – St. Louis) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Sept. 7 – Dec. 2017

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Crews are performing necessary chlorination and pressure tests on the newly installed waterline early this week. Expect to receive an additional notice about a potential water line tie-in later this week. Connecting the new water line to the existing utilities would occur early morning from about 4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
- Entergy Gas is currently working in the 400 block, no sidewalk closures are anticipated this week.



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.

Work Schedule

Construction crews are authorized to work 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.

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 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.

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

For regular updates on #RoadworkNOLA Projects, follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). You can also subscribe to our monthly newsletter by clicking [here](#) or visiting roadwork.nola.gov.