

April 2, 2020 | Project Update #1

Highway 15/Main Street Reconstruction in Hutchinson

Spring is here, and along with warmer temperatures, comes the beginning of the Highway 15/Main Street reconstruction and resurfacing project in Hutchinson on Monday, April 13.

For this first update, we'll provide a summary of the project. Following updates will focus on what's been happening at the construction site, include a photo or two, and let you know what to expect in the coming week so you can get around town in the best way possible.



What's included in this project?

- MnDOT will reconstruct Highway 15 from 2nd Avenue North to 5th Avenue South.
- MnDOT will resurface Highway 15 from 5th Avenue South to just north of the roundabout at County Road 115 / Airport Road, and add a northbound left-turn lane at Linden Avenue.
- Sidewalks and pedestrian crossings will be updated to make them accessible for everyone.
- The City of Hutchinson will replace storm sewer, sanitary sewer, and water utilities along the project area during reconstruction.
- Project benefits include a smoother road surface, modern water and sewer utilities, upgraded sidewalks and pedestrian crossings, and an updated city and state infrastructure.

During construction this week

- In preparation for the project start date, a temporary signal will be installed at Highway 7 and County Road 115 on Friday, April 3. The temporary signal will provide detour traffic control for the duration of the project.
- Signs are being posted to alert travelers to changes in traffic control.

What's happening next

- Highway 15 between 2nd Avenue North and 5th Avenue South will close Monday, April 13.
- Construction begins and the official detour goes into effect Monday, April 13.
- When Highway 15 closes, you will be able to access downtown homes and businesses using Franklin and Adams Streets.
- You will be able to cross Highway 15 at Washington, 2nd Avenue South and 5th Avenue South (two intersections will be open at a time).

Getting from here to there

Reconstruction in the downtown area will take place in stages. The next project update will include details for the first stage of construction so that people who are traveling downtown know which roads and crossings can be used once Highway 15 closes.

Stay up-to-date

Find more information at mndot.gov/d8/projects/hwy15downtownhutch.

A virtual open house will be available from April 10-24.

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