

Highway 15/Main Street Reconstruction in Hutchinson

Construction begins Monday, April 13, 2020.

A map of the construction area with the official detour is pictured below. Traffic that is not stopping in downtown Hutchinson (known as through traffic) will be routed on the detour. Highway 15 will be closed from 2nd Ave. N. to 5th Ave. S. during construction.



Virtual Open House

Learn about the project through a virtual open house that is available on the project website at mndot.gov/d8/projects/hwy15downtownhutch until April 24.

Road work during COVID-19

MnDOT road work has been identified as a critical service in Gov. Tim Walz's Stay at Home executive order. We are being as flexible as possible with schedules during this period of lower traffic volumes to keep projects moving forward and minimize the impact to motorists. Following guidance from state and federal health officials, and to prevent further spread of COVID-19, crews will maintain social distancing practices while working.

During construction this week

- A temporary signal is being installed and the intersection of Highway 7 and County Road 115 is being restriped in preparation of the detour. 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 Ave. N. and 5th Ave. S. will close Monday, April 13.
- Construction begins and the official detour for through traffic goes into effect Monday, April 13.

Getting from here to there

Reconstruction in the downtown area is taking place in stages. It's important for motorists and pedestrians to watch for traffic control signs. Barriers will be in place to prevent through traffic and keep people from entering the work zone.

People living, working, and visiting the downtown area (local traffic) will be able to travel on Highway 15 in areas south of 1st Ave. N. during the first stage of the project.

Stage 1 begins April 13 and is pictured below. Stage 1 work is scheduled to run until April 24, however, dates are subject to change due to unforeseeable circumstances. During Stage 1:

- Work takes place at the intersection of 2nd Ave. S. and Franklin Ave.
 - The intersection will be closed to vehicles from all directions
 - Sidewalks and crosswalks will be closed
 - Pedestrians can cross at 1st or 3rd Ave. S.
- Work takes place at the intersection of Hwy 15 and 2nd Ave. N.
 - Closed to vehicles north of 1st Ave. N.E. on Hwy 15
 - Closed to vehicles north of 2nd Ave. N.E. on Hwy 15
 - Customers can park on streets/parking lots on the backside of Hwy 15 businesses
 - Sidewalks and crosswalks closed on south side of 2nd Ave. N.
 - Wells Fargo employees and customers can enter/exit to Hwy 15 and go north to Hwy 7 for the duration of the project. This outlet only provides access to Wells Fargo.
- People can use Franklin and Adams Streets to get to homes and businesses.
- People can cross Highway 15 at Washington, 2nd Ave. S. and 5th Ave. S. during this stage of the project.

Downtown Main Street (Hwy 15) Construction Sequencing



AREA 1

- Local traffic only in areas south of 1st Ave N.

Area Under Construction

Barricade Location

Stage One: April 13-24, 2020

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Stay up-to-date

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