

**April 17, 2020 | Project Update #3**

## Highway 15/Main Street Reconstruction in Hutchinson



### Virtual Open House

Learn about the project through a [virtual open house](#) until April 24.



### During construction this week

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- Highway 15 was closed and the detour set up on Monday, April 13.
- The contractor removed the concrete roadway from 2nd Ave. N. to 1st Ave. N. and started installing sanitary sewer on 2nd Ave. N.
- Stage 1 is scheduled to be completed Monday, April 20. However, Hwy 15 is part of the active work zone and remains closed to traffic.



## What's happening next

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- Once Stage 1 is complete, the contractor will continue removing the concrete roadway through Washington Ave., while working on installing new utilities.

## Getting from here to there

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

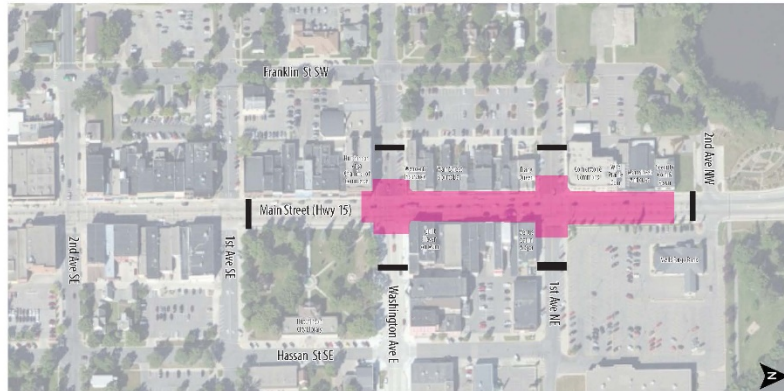
Stage 2 (pictured below) begins the week of April 20. This area will be closed to traffic until the end of August.

During Stage 2:

- Work takes place at the intersections of Hwy 15 and Washington Ave, 1st Ave. N., and 2nd Ave. N.
  - The intersections at Washington Ave. and 1st Ave. N. will be closed to vehicles from all directions.
  - The intersection at 2nd Ave. N. will be open for people turning east to go to Wells Fargo, or to turn west onto 2nd Ave. N.
  - Crosswalks will be closed to pedestrian traffic at various times; signs will direct pedestrians to alternate routes.
  - Sidewalks to businesses will remain open as long as possible.
  - Signs will designate temporary pedestrian access during each stage of the project.
  - Customer parking will be available on streets and in the parking lots on the back side of businesses on Hwy 15/Main St.
  - 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 provides access only to Wells Fargo.
- People can use Franklin and Adams Streets to get to homes and businesses.
- People can cross Highway 15 at 2nd Ave. S. and 5th Ave. S. until Stage 3 begins (about May 7).



## Downtown Main Street (Hwy 15) Construction Sequencing



### AREA 2

- Local traffic only in areas south of 1st Ave S.
- Barricades cannot be crossed.

Stage 2: Begins the week of April 20

## 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.

## Stay up-to-date

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