

August 21, 2020 | Project Update #21

Highway 15/Main Street Construction in Hutchinson

If all continues as planned, the resurfacing of Highway 15 from 5th Avenue South to County Road 115/Airport Road will begin in early- to mid-September.



Photo above: Paving operations on Highway 15 between 4th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South.

During the reconstruction project this week

- Utility work (sanitary, storm sewer, and water main) has been completed through 5th Avenue South.
- Concrete curb and gutter were poured at the 5th Avenue South intersection with Highway 15.
- Grading operations continued between 2nd Avenue South and 4th Avenue South, along with placing the base layer of aggregate.

Coming up next

- The concrete roadway at the 5th Avenue South intersection will be poured.
- When the roadway at the 5th Avenue South intersection is complete, concrete curb and gutter will be poured between 2nd Avenue South and 4th Avenue South.

During the resurfacing project this week

- Most of the sidewalk work has been completed.

Coming up next

- Place topsoil and seed the areas that were disturbed during the sidewalk work.
- Early to mid-September: begin removing the old pavement and resurface Highway 15 from 5th Avenue South to just north of the roundabout at County Road 115/Airport Road.

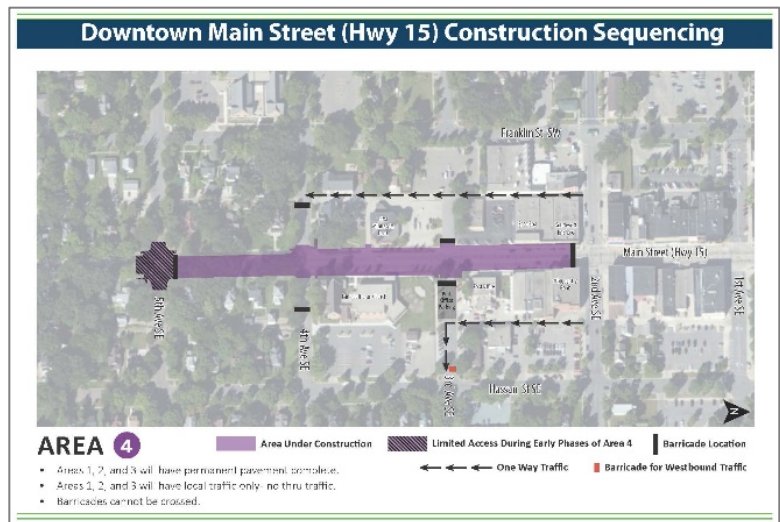
Getting from here to there

The resurfacing part of the project (south of 5th Avenue) remains open to traffic. People will encounter temporary lane and shoulder closures of Highway 15, as well as temporary side street and sidewalk closures as work progresses.

Highway 15 will remain closed to north/south traffic between 2nd Avenue North and 5th Avenue South for the duration of the downtown portion of the project.

Currently, in the downtown area:

- Much of the work is taking place at the intersections of Highway 15 and 3rd Avenue South, 4th Avenue South, and 5th Avenue South.
- The area is closed to vehicle traffic from all directions.
- Crosswalks in the work zone are closed to pedestrian traffic.
- Sidewalks will remain open for business access when possible. Check with businesses for the best entrance to use during construction.
- Customer parking is available on streets and in parking lots on the back side of Highway 15/Main Street.
- People can use Franklin and Adams Streets to get to homes and businesses.
- People can cross Highway 15 at Washington Avenue and 2nd Avenue South.
- **The 5th Avenue South intersection may be closed for up to 20 working days (September 4).**



Highway 15/Main Street work zone reminders

- Slow down when approaching every work zone, then navigate with care
- Stay alert; work zones constantly change
- Watch for workers and slow-moving equipment
- Never enter a roadway that has been blocked with barriers or cones
- Obey posted speed limits; fine for a work zone violation is \$300
- Minimize distractions behind the wheel and while walking or biking
- Be patient; expect delays, especially during peak travel times



Photos above: (left) cement trucks delivering concrete to the roadway; (right) new concrete pavement on Highway 15 between 4th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South.

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