## **Highway 15/Main Street Construction in Hutchinson**

There are just a few items remaining to complete the project. Highway 15/Main Street is scheduled to reopen to vehicles on Monday, Oct. 19!



Photo above: crews paint parking stripes along Hwy 15 between Washington Avenue and 1st Avenue South.

# During the downtown reconstruction project this week

Crews finished installing the traffic signal systems and began installing traffic signs and pavement markings. The photo at right shows one of the pedestrian crossing signals. Crews also finished installing black dirt and sod in the boulevards between 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South.

### Coming up next

- Finish installing permanent pavement markings.
- Finish installing traffic signs.
- Complete miscellaneous sidewalk work



#### **Getting around downtown**

- For everyone's safety, Highway 15 remains closed to north/south traffic between 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South while crews finish up work on the project.
- Sidewalks are open except where final work is being completed.
- Customer parking is available on streets and in parking lots on the back side of Highway 15/Main Street.
- Use Franklin and Adams Streets for north/south travel.
- Cross Highway 15 at Washington Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South.

### During the resurfacing project this week

This part of the project is complete.



Photo above: the traffic signal system installed at Hwy 15/Main Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue; signal timing will be tested during the next week. Barricades have been removed so that crews can install permanent pavement markings and complete additional work; however, the roadway is closed to traffic.

## **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



Photo above: looking north from  $4^{th}$  Avenue, lighting systems and grass boulevards have been installed on Hwy 15/Main Street.

## Stay up to date

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Photo above: a view of progress on Hwy 15/Main Street, looking south from 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.