



City of Yakima

News Release

Subject 17th Street and Yakima Avenue Traffic Signal Work

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Replacement of Signal Pole Will Impact 17th Street and Yakima Ave Traffic

The replacement of a traffic signal pole and the activation of a new pole will impact drivers during the evening of July 30th and early morning of July 31st in the area near the intersection of 17th Street and Yakima Avenue.

Crews from the City of Yakima and Knobel Electric will begin setting up cones and diverting traffic around the project area at about 6:00 pm on Wednesday, July 30th. Crews will then remove an existing traffic signal pole and install a new pole. Full activation of the new traffic signal pole is expected to be completed by about 2:00 am on Thursday, July 31st.

While the project is underway, traffic signals at the intersection of 17th Street and Yakima Avenue will be disabled. Flaggers will be on site to direct drivers through the project area. Westbound traffic will not be able to make a left hand turn onto 17th Street (which leads to the Wal Mart parking lot) for the duration of the traffic signal pole installation.

During the project, traffic delays in the area are likely to occur. Drivers should use alternate routes if possible until the project is completed.

Access to businesses in the area will be maintained and traffic will be allowed through the project area when possible.

As always, the schedule for this type of a project is subject to change daily dependent on weather, equipment failure, and emergencies.

For additional information about this project, contact Streets and Traffic Operations Manager Joe Rosenlund at 576-6430.