



City of Yakima

News Release

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Road Resurfacing Project to Impact Traffic on 16th, 40th, Walnut, and Tieton

An ongoing project to resurface several key sections of Yakima streets this year will impact traffic on sections of 16th Avenue, 40th Avenue, Walnut Street, and Tieton Drive from August 26th through August 29th.

Tieton Drive between 32nd Avenue and 40th Avenue will be closed overnight (8:00 pm to 6:00 am) to all through traffic from Monday, August 26th through Thursday, August 29th. Curb lane closures will also occur during the daytime (6:00 am to 5:00 pm) on the same section of Tieton from August 26th through August 29th while concrete work is underway.

40th Avenue between Tieton Drive and Summitview Avenue will have lane restrictions in place overnight (8:00 pm to 6:00 am) from August 26th through August 29th while utilities in the area are relocated.

Concrete work will also result in daytime (6:00 am to 5:00 pm) curb lane closures on Walnut Street between 1st Street and 6th Street and on 16th Avenue between Englewood Avenue and River Road from Monday, August 26th through Thursday, August 29th.

The City is spending \$5 million dollars this year completing what's known as a "grind and overlay" project in order to recondition roadway sections in different parts of Yakima. A grind and overlay project involves removing old and deteriorated asphalt and replacing it with new asphalt, which significantly improves the drivability and safety of the road surface.

The majority of work being done on the grind and overlay project will take place overnight in order to reduce impact to traffic.

While the grind and overlay work is underway, traffic delays in the project areas will occur. Drivers should use alternate routes if possible until the work is completed.

Access to homes and businesses in the project areas will be maintained as best as possible and emergency vehicles will be allowed through the project areas if necessary.

As always, the schedule for these types of projects is subject to change daily dependent on weather, equipment failure, and emergencies.

For additional information regarding current grind and overlay project activity, contact Senior Engineer Bob Desgrosellier at 575-6228.

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