



City of Yakima

News Release

Subject: Traffic Signal Replacement Projects

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Signal Replacement Projects to Affect Traffic at Two Intersections

Projects to upgrade traffic signals at two intersections along Lincoln Avenue in order to improve driver and pedestrian safety will affect traffic at one intersection on Wednesday, June 22nd and at the other intersection on Thursday, June 23rd.

Older 8-inch-diameter traffic signal heads at the intersections will be replaced with modern, state-of-the-art 12-inch-diameter heads. Signals at the 16th and Lincoln Avenue intersection will be turned off between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm on Wednesday, June 22nd. Signals at the 5th Avenue and Lincoln Avenue intersection will be turned off between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm on Thursday, June 23rd. Traffic at those two intersections will be directed by Yakima police officers while the work to replace the traffic signal heads is underway.

The replacement of the traffic signals at 16th and Lincoln and 5th and Lincoln is part of a citywide traffic safety improvement project that began in 2014. The total cost of the safety project, including installation ADA ramps and replacement of traffic signal heads at various intersections in Yakima, is approximately \$400,000 and is being completely covered by a federal grant.

During the replacement of the traffic signals at 16th and Lincoln and 5th and Lincoln, traffic delays in the areas near the intersections are likely to occur. Drivers should use alternate routes if possible until the projects are completed.

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

For additional information about these projects, contact Construction Supervisor Bruce Floyd at 575-6138.