



Project Construction Update

April 11, 2024 (note: this update is going out on Thursday instead of Friday 4/12/24)

The following is anticipated construction work as part of the City of Medicine Lake's 2024 Street and Utility Project. Please note: These tasks may change or be delayed due to several factors (e.g., weather condition, environmental protection requirements, private utility work, etc.).

The following are construction activities planned for the weeks starting April 12, 2024:

1. The contractor will be grinding the asphalt pavement in place on Kaiser Ave, Colonial Cir, and at the intersection of Peninsula Rd and Kaiser Ave on Friday April 12. This process grinds up the existing pavement. Those grindings are then used as a temporary driving surface or recycled for future paving.
2. Fusing of the watermain pipe will continue at Jevne Park. For safety reasons, a temporary one-way system is being implemented around the park. This should be removed when they are not fusing pipe and returned to regular travel.
3. Installation of the watermain pipe via directional drilling will start on Friday April 12 on Kaiser Ave and continuing thru April 16. The contractor will need to "drag" the fused pipe down to Kaiser Ave. from Jevne Park along Peninsula road. There will be opening access pits in the streets to install their drilling tool and pull the new pipe into place. As always, please maintain proper clearance from their equipment. The new pipe will be laying in the center of the street until they can "pull" it into the pit and install underground. Your driveway may be temporarily blocked. You will be notified if you will be impacted by this work. The contractor will provide traffic control assistance to motorists during his operation.
4. The construction crew aims to drill the watermain from the end of Colonial Cir out to the existing City of Plymouth water main connection on S. Shore Dr. This will start on April 17 and finish April 22. This will require short term lane closure on S. Shore Dr. Traffic control will be set up and flag persons will be used to direct traffic thru the work zone.
5. Direction Drilling of watermain pipe may begin on Peninsula Rd approximately April 18 once construction crews finish up Kaiser Ave/Colonial Circle. Crews will start at the intersection of Kaiser Ave and work towards Jevne Park
6. Construction continues staking water service curb stops (i.e. shut off valves) for the next few weeks. This will be a wood lathe with a **BLUE** ribbon and the letters 'CS' written on it. Last week's update indicated that the lathe would have a pink ribbon. We apologize for the confusion. During the next two weeks, representatives (from Veit and SEH) will be meeting with property owners to discuss where curb stops should be placed to accommodate future connections to homes. During that visit we will move the stake to the final locations determined by property owners.
7. Construction crews will start installing water services and curb stops on Colonial Cir and Kaiser Ave on approximately April 25. If you live on those streets, it is important to have your final curb stop location set by that date.
8. Sewer inspection and televising will finish up on the street side manholes by April 12. For the next two weeks, starting April 15, the construction crews will be moving into the rear yard

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<https://streetandutilityproject.com>

manholes. Just a reminder that the crews will need to travel along many side yards to get access to the manhole in the rear yards. We thank you ahead of time for your cooperation.

9. Erosion control facilities, mainly consisting of sediment barrier logs will be placed along the construction limits stakes adjacent to the road the week of April 15.

The following activities were completed during the week of April 8, 2024:

1. Sewer cleaning and televising of the street side laterals continues.
2. The pipe fusing operations for the watermain continues at Jevne Park.
3. Water services/curb stop stakes continue to be placed and adjusted per property owner request.

15th Ave update

1. The pavement on 15th Ave will be milled up at the same time as they are doing Peninsula Rd, between Kaiser Ave and S. Shore Dr – scheduled for April 12.
2. Actual watermain installation will be one of the last tasks completed after construction crews get all of Peninsula Rd / Kaiser Ave and Colonial Cir completed. This project is anticipated to happen after May 1.

Mailbox/packages/newspapers

A few comments on mail services (no change from last week)

- All temporary mailboxes, located at City Hall, are active and receiving mail.
- The mayor did send out an email summarizing the snakes that are hanging out at City Hall. Again, they are garter snakes but caution should be taken during the next month, especially on nice warm sunny days. They might startle you but are harmless.
- Reminder to check the packages box at City Hall for any deliveries. This is only for USPS package deliveries. The postman does not put a note in mailboxes for packages. Reminder – you can sign up for Informed delivery and package notification through the USPS web site. This is a very simple process to track what they are delivering to you every day.
 - Go to USPS.com
 - Sign up for Informed Delivery
 - Select the options you want for notifications – email, text, etc.
 - Check the box for package delivery.
- If you want to send other deliveries – Fed Ex, Amazon, etc to City Hall, note the correct address is [10609 South Shore Drive Medicine Lake, MN 55441](#)
- Newspapers will continue to be delivered to your house. We are not setting up any temporary arrangements for papers. As the project progresses, please work with your newspaper carrier for any modifications to your service.