



Mountain Avenue Roger Road to Fort Lowell Road Improvements

Project Update

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

MILESTONE ACHIEVED

Roger Road has been re-opened to through traffic. The new storm drain culvert has just crossed Prince Road. This is a major milestone for the project. The large culvert will continue to be installed south of Prince Road on Mountain Avenue in hopes of completing it before the monsoon season begins (July 2009).

ADVANCED UNDERGROUND UTILITY WORK

Underground electrical and communication conduits are being installed between Roger Road and Prince Road. These conduits must be in place so the overhead lines can be relocated. Once in place and energized, the west half of Mountain can be completed. This overhead to underground phase will determine how quickly the job can be completed.

PAVING

The east half of Mountain Avenue will be paved between Roger Road and Prince Road by the end of May 2009. One way traffic will be shifted to the east side, but in the northerly direction this time. This will allow the contractor to relocate overhead power lines to underground conduits before building the west side of the road.

WORK HOURS

Work hours are generally between 6:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Occasional weekend work and night work may be required.

WHAT TO EXPECT

SOUTHBOUND ACCESS ONLY

Access to Mountain Avenue between Prince Road and Fort Lowell Road will be restricted to southbound only for vehicles. There is not enough room to do the construction, stage materials, provide two way access for vehicles, and allow pedestrians and bicycles at the same time. We ask for your patience. Pedestrians and bicyclists will share access through the entire project site in a northbound or southbound direction.

NORTHBOUND ACCESS ONLY

Access to Mountain Avenue between Prince Road and Roger Road will be restricted to northbound only for vehicles along the newly paved east side of the street. Speed limit reductions will remain in effect. Pedestrians and bicyclists will share access through the entire project site in a northbound or southbound direction.

INTERSECTION CLOSURES

Prince Road may be closed intermittently to allow construction to cross the street. Allen Road will remain closed until it is paved. Drivers may be stopped and directed by flagmen while work is in progress. Please use Prince Road and Roger Road to get to your destination where possible. Allen Road will be opened as soon as reasonably possible.

WHO TO CALL

Contact **Fred Felix, TDOT Engineering Project Manager, at 837-6620** if there is an emergency or if you have concerns. Thank you for your patience as we work to provide a better community. Please look to our web page for construction and road closure update information at www.dot.tucsonaz.gov/projects/mountain/.