



May 16, 2019

RE: Georgia Avenue Water Main Replacement Lane Closures

Dear Customer:

As part of our ongoing efforts to improve our infrastructure, WSSC is currently replacing a large water main in your area. Due to work associated with the Georgia Avenue Water Main Replacement Project, WSSC will be closing two lanes on southbound Georgia Avenue between Hewitt Avenue and Ralph Road. **These closures will be in effect 24 hours a day beginning on Wednesday, May 29 and continuing through August 31, 2019.** Residents and business owners will be informed about significant changes to the schedule.

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS

- **Lane Closures:** The left lane on southbound Georgia Avenue between Ralph Road and Hewitt Avenue, as well as the northbound median shoulder will be closed. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead for anticipated traffic delays.
 - **Detours:** During the closure, the crossover to Ralph Road at the median will be closed. Drivers should use Wendy Lane and Hewitt Ave to detour around the work zone. Pedestrians should use the crosswalk at Hewitt Avenue.
 - Traffic control will be in place 24 hours a day to keep the work zone safe.
- **Traffic:** As a result of this project, there will also be other temporary changes to traffic patterns.
- **Work Hours:** Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Work also may take place at night and on weekends as required to complete specific tasks. No work will take place on Federal holidays, however lane closures will remain in effect.
- **Additional Noise:** The use of excavators and other large vehicles may result in additional noise during working hours.
- Residents may also notice additional or brighter than normal lighting coming from the work zone to ensure safety.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- Crews will be using a “trenchless” construction method to install the new water mains on Georgia Avenue, which requires minimal digging and environmental disruptions.
 - Special equipment will be used to dig two pits and install the watermain between the pits without cutting the roadway in between.
 - This construction method does create noise and dust.
- ***Please contact the on-site inspector if you need special accommodations.***

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CONTACT INFORMATION/QUESTIONS

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- Project Update: www.wsscwater.com/Georgia
- **Contact WSSC's 24-hour Emergency Call Center at [301-206-4002](tel:301-206-4002), in the event of a water or sewer emergency or after business hours for information.**

We understand the inconvenience these types of projects can cause and appreciate your patience as we work to continue delivering safe and reliable water service.