

June 23, 2023

Dear Troutdale Resident/Business Owner.

This letter is to notify you of an upcoming street maintenance project and related parking and access restrictions in your neighborhood. The 2023 Pavement Maintenance Project will consist of three different pavement maintenance techniques; crack sealing, slurry sealing, and asphaltic pavement repair, in multiple locations throughout the city.

Crack sealing involves first cleaning out cracks with a high-pressure air lance, and then applying a flexible asphaltic sealant to fill cracks in the pavement surface. Cracks allow water into the rock base under the pavement surface, which weakens the base and leads to further pavement deterioration and even pavement structural failure over time. Also, when water gets into cracks and then freezes, the expanding ice causes additional damage to the pavement, which can also lead to costly pavement failure. Crack sealing pavements on a recurring cycle extends the life of the pavement, and costly pavement failures and potholes can be prevented. You can check out our <u>Crack Seal</u> map to see what streets are scheduled for crack seal.

No parking or vehicular access will be allowed after 7:00 AM on each street on the day it is crack sealed. Vehicles parked in the construction zone after this time will be towed at the City's expense. Any vehicle parked in the work zone will be towed just outside of the work zone. All access to the paved street by vehicles, pedestrians, and pets will be prohibited during the time required for the crack seal to be placed and to cure; sidewalks will remain open. After the contractor has placed the crack seal and removed closure signs/barricades the street will open to motorists. The contractor is required to make every effort and plan and execute their work to have streets ready for traffic by 5:00 pm to the maximum extent practicable.

Slurry seal entails first cleaning the entire street with a street sweeper, then applying a thin layer of emulsified asphalt and aggregate to the pavement surface. Slurry seal is a surface treatment designed to extend the life of asphalt pavements in good condition by providing skid resistance, restricting moisture intrusion, protecting the structure from further oxidation and raveling, and restoring a uniform black appearance. Slurry seal boasts quick construction times and reasonable disruption to the traveling public. Slurry sealing pavements on a recurring cycle extends the life of the pavement, and costly pavement failures and potholes can be prevented. You can check out our <u>Slurry Seal map</u> to see what streets are scheduled for slurry seal.



No parking or vehicular access will be allowed after 7:00 a.m. on each street on the day it is slurry sealed. Vehicles parked in the construction zone after this time will be towed at the City's expense. Any vehicle parked in the work zone will be towed just outside of the work zone. All access to the paved street by vehicles, pedestrians, and pets will be prohibited during the time required for the slurry seal to be placed and to cure; sidewalks will remain open. Motorists must park outside the construction zone if they plan on driving between 7:00 a.m. and early evening on the day their street is sealed. The contractor is required to make every effort and plan and execute their work to have streets ready for traffic by 5:00 p.m. to the maximum extent practicable. Nonetheless, it is imperative that you do not drive on the street until the contractor has removed the closure barricades and reopened the street to traffic. Driving on the slurry seal before it is fully cured may damage your vehicle, and will damage the slurry seal necessitating costly repairs.

The asphalt pavement repair entails removing asphalt and repairing the roads gravel base before repaving. This treatment is to address localized weak spots in the pavement structure, caused by the degradation of the road base, that surface treatments cannot fix. The asphalt pavement repair is performed ahead of the application of slurry seal. There will be streets where slurry seal will be applied after the asphaltic pavement repairs and streets that will only have asphaltic pavement repairs.

No parking will be allowed after 7:00 a.m. on each street on the day there will be asphalt pavement repairs. Vehicles parked in the construction zone after this time may be towed at the City's expense. Any vehicle parked in the work zone will be towed just outside of the work zone. Access to the paved street by vehicles will be limited. Contractor will flag traffic around work areas. Once asphalt pavement repairs have been completed the contractor will open the street to traffic. The contractor is required to make every effort and plan and execute their work to have streets ready for traffic by 5:00 p.m. to the maximum extent practicable.

As with any construction project, you should expect increased construction traffic and noise during the work. The City understands that these pavement maintenance projects are disruptive. Troutdale has great streets and hopes that residents and business owners understand how important it is to perform these maintenance activities to ensure our streets remain that way for the long term. Please bear with us knowing that a few days of inconvenience pays off with years of good quality pavement.



The City will mail notifications to affected residents prior to construction, and the contractor will distribute door hanger notifications 48 hours in advance, along with street sign notifications at least 24 hours in advance for no parking areas or other impacts. This will be your sign to ensure you have made arrangements to avoid driving on your street for the day.

As the project moves forward and a contractor is selected, the City will update the <u>project website</u> with the Project Schedule that will inform you when your street will be closed for repair. Schedules can change on very short notice due to weather, equipment breakdowns, etc., so please pay close attention to this website and signage provided by the contractor.

Sincerely,

Christopher Priano, EIT Engineering Associate