

## New This Week

Sod scheduled Aug 19 for Woodstock Ave and Loring Lane

## Construction Area

Yosemite Ave N, Yosemite Cir, Loring Lane, and Woodstock Ave (west of Hwy 100 and S of Hwy 55); Hwy 55 S Frontage Rd (Schaper Dr to cul-de-sac)

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## Topsoil Placed and Boulevard Grading Completed For Woodstock Ave And Loring Lane

Crews have completed placing topsoil and grading boulevards in preparation for sod on Woodstock Ave and Loring Lane. Residents may now reinstall irrigation systems and dog fences. Please remember to mark sprinkler heads and dog fences so crews can see them.

Sod is scheduled for the week of Aug 19. After sod has been placed, the contractor is responsible for maintaining new sod for 30 days. After that time, City staff will mark any dead sod that needs to be replaced. All sod that is acceptable after the warranty period ends becomes the homeowner's responsibility to maintain.

### Utility Work On Yosemite

Crews have completed utility work on Yosemite Circle, including installation of new sanitary manholes and mainline. They have

also finished installing new fire hydrants and gate valves.

Over the next two weeks, utility crews will continue to install storm sewer on Yosemite Circle and Yosemite Ave.

### Turner's Crossroad Closure

Beginning Monday, Aug 19, Turner's Crossroad will be closed and traffic detoured so utility crews can install new storm sewer crossings at Woodstock Ave and Loring Lane. Crews will also be installing piling and sanitary sewer on Turner's Crossroad just south of Lilac Dr. This work should take a week to complete.

Subgrade correction work on Yosemite Circle and Yosemite Ave will begin as soon as storm sewer installation has been completed. ○

## Driveway Maintenance Tips

The following information will help you maintain your new blacktop or concrete driveways.

### New Blacktop Driveways:

- Please be aware for at least six months after construction, parking any vehicle, trailer, motorcycle, bicycle, etc on your driveway, especially when the blacktop temperature is above 60 degrees Fahrenheit, may leave depressions in the pavement.
- Avoid making sharp turns because they can scuff the new surface. Though some depressions and scuffing are expected because the new asphalt is tender for several months until it has time to cure, parking in your garage is recommended to keep depressions and scuffing to a minimum.
- Applying sealers normally does not result in any structural benefit; however, if you choose to use a sealer, it is recommended not to use any products labeled "coal tar." Instead, use asphalt emulsion sealers. Follow the manufacturer's directions for application of these products. Wait a minimum of three years before applying any sealer.

### New Concrete Driveways:

- You should not drive on your driveway for at least one week after it is constructed.
- The contractor sprays the new concrete with curing compound when it is poured. This seals the concrete to keep it moist and help it cure.
- Wait until next spring before sealing your concrete driveway. Several concrete sealant products, including clear acrylic sealers, linseed oil, and penetrating sealers, are available from a variety of retailers.

## Tips For Maintaining New Sod

Help maintain your new sod by following these simple guidelines:

- Sod requires about two inches of water per week until the roots take hold. Test for established roots by attempting to pull up an edge of the sod. If it pulls up easily, give it more time and continue watering at least two inches per week. If the sod edge does not come up, the roots have taken hold.
- Once the roots are established, water about one inch per week, which is the minimum amount needed to keep a lawn healthy and thriving.
- Don't mow new sod until the roots are established. Cut it at the highest mower setting. The grass can then gradually be cut to the desired length. Grass, however, is healthiest when it's at a minimum of three inches tall. Do not cut grass shorter than three inches for at least the first year.
- Fertilizing should not be necessary until next spring. ○

# Want More Info?

To stay informed about the construction process and learn more about the City's commitment to providing quality roads and infrastructure, go to [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/).

The City website also defines construction terms, answers frequently asked questions, provides helpful coping tips, and has past published editions of *Construction News*. Go to [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/property-owners.php](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/property-owners.php).

**SCHEDULES MAY CHANGE ON SHORT NOTICE** Weather, delays by subcontractors, or other unforeseen events can cause schedule changes. The contractor makes an effort to notify residents as soon as possible for situations where utility or driveway access restrictions may be experienced.

**CHECK DOORS FOR NOTICES** The contractor will routinely notify you about upcoming work, particularly if the work will make your driveway inaccessible for most or part of a day (you will be able to get back into your driveway each evening). Please check all of the doors around your house for written notices of upcoming work.

**CONSTRUCTION QUESTIONS** At the construction site, please direct all project-related questions to City staff. For other questions, call Public Works at 763-593-8030. **If you would prefer to have Construction News emailed to you, contact Pat Schutrop at 763-593-3987 or [pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov) to get on the list.**

**RECYCLING** Recycling should be picked up as scheduled. Please continue to have your recycling curbside by 7 am on Fridays of your service week. The recycling contractor will collect recycling in street reconstruction areas on schedule. Please continue to report all missed pick-ups to Allied Waste at 952-941-5174.

## CONTACT US (When calling, please provide your address.)

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**Special Needs?**  
The contractor will work with residents needing access for wheelchairs, Metro Mobility rides, etc. Call Public Works at 763-593-8030.

**AFTER-HOUR EMERGENCIES**  
Call the Golden Valley Police Department at 763-593-8079 to report problems that require immediate assistance by the City (flooded street, disruption to water service, sanitary sewer back-up, etc). Your message will be relayed to on-call Public Works personnel.

## PROJECT NEWSLETTERS

During construction, *Construction News* will be printed biweekly. The newsletter will include updates on construction scheduling, phone numbers of contact persons, and other information that may be useful to you. **To get this newsletter by email, contact us at 763-593-3987 or [pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov).**

## TIPS & ANSWERS [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/)

If you're wondering about various construction practices, or if you're looking for information about things like taking care of your new driveway or sod, go to the City website and check out the PMPs Tips & Answers page. If you don't find answers there, contact Public Works at 763-593-8030.

This document is available in alternate formats upon a 72-hour request. Please call 763-593-8006 (TTY: 763-593-3968) to make a request. Examples of alternate formats may include large print, electronic, Braille, audiocassette, etc.



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