Construction Update

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Road Impacts

Starting July 12th the following road impacts will begin and continue through the middle of August.

• Mansfield Road will be CLOSED from Coventry Road to Whitney Road.
• Gilbert Road will be CLOSED from Mansfield to Whitney Road Extension
• Whitney Road Extension will be converted to two way traffic to facilitate traffic to the detoured portions of Mansfield Road

Road closures and detours will be clearly signed and communicated to the University and the public to minimize confusion. Anticipated closures for the Fall academic calendar include Gilbert Road, Coventry Road and Maple Lane. Please refer to the Campus Construction Map for more information on Road closures and impacts

Parking Impacts

Parking will be impacted in Lot R starting the week of July 10 and running through the Fall semester. Available parking in lot R will be reduced by half and will vary as work progresses through the parking lot. The goal of the project will be to impact the least amount of parking possible, so rolling closures will be used. Lot S will begin to see impacts to parking starting late September. UPDC will work closely with parking services to address these closures and communicate alternate parking locations. Contractors are asked to park off campus and shuttle into work areas as to not further reduce parking spaces.

Pedestrian Circulation Impacts

The work will impact many pedestrian circulation routes. The initial impacts will begin starting the week of July 10th. These impacts will be primary around the Gilbert Road closure area. Impacts will detour pedestrians on walks starting as far as Mirror Lake to the East and Whitney Road Ext to the West. Sidewalk closures and detours will be clearly signed and communicated to the University and the public to minimize confusion and create safe passage. The project will make every attempt to reopen sidewalks as quickly as possible to restore circulation. In some locations closures may have a long duration. Please refer to the Campus Construction Map for more information on pedestrian impacts

Noise and Working Times

Core working hours for this project will be Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Some activities will generate noise and vibration, subject to limits and monitoring. Work will be prohibited during finals and reading days, among others. Initial noisy work will be associated with driving of fence posts and the removal of rock.

There are anticipated minor utility shutdowns to happen over the course of this summer. These shutdowns are anticipated to be related to Steam and Electrical Services. Information to affected buildings will be sent out when the timing of these shutdowns are confirmed.

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