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**Traffic Alert**

**Surface Treatments to Begin Next Week on 208 Streets in 23 Neighborhoods**

*Part of Preventive Maintenance Program*

CINCINNATI – Construction crews are slated to begin surface treatments on more than 200 streets in 23 neighborhoods throughout the city beginning next Monday, June 25. Prep work such as full-depth pavement patching and crack sealing already are under way.

The work is part of the City’s comprehensive street pavement-management program.

“Preventive maintenance allows us to slow the natural deterioration that happens to all roads,” said Patrick Duhaney, Acting City Manager. “This type of preventative maintenance is the most cost-effective way to extend the life of our streets, much like regular oil changes help to keep your car engine running better and longer.”



This year’s preventive maintenance program will improve 208 streets, measuring over 90 lane miles. A lane mile is a common unit of area measurement for street maintenance and rehabilitation.

The type of work a street receives depends on its condition. Crews will repair streets and, if needed, apply a micro-surface or cape seal treatment.

Micro-surface is a top-coat treatment. It goes on as brown slurry composed of liquid asphalt, water, crushed stone, mineral filler and additives that turns black as it hardens and smoothes with wear. Cape seal is a two-step process. It initially includes a liquid asphalt sealer and then the same micro-surface top coat.

Crews this week are working in Carthage, Hartwell, Riverside, Sedamsville, Madisonville, Oakley, East End and California.

Streets in the following neighborhoods also are scheduled for repairs and/or surface treatments:

- Avondale
- Camp Washington
- College Hill
- Corryville
- East Walnut Hills
- Evanston
- Millvale
- Mt. Airy
- North Avondale
- Northside
- Paddock Hills
- Pleasant Ridge
- Saylor Park
- South Cumminsville
- Walnut Hills

Visit the contractor's website at [www.cincystreets.com](http://www.cincystreets.com) to see the schedule and list of streets slated for surface treatment by neighborhood.

Dates are subject to change due to weather and field conditions. All work is expected to be finished by October.

### **What to Expect**

Preventive maintenance work may require parking or driving restrictions to allow time for a surface treatment to set up and to cure properly. A door hanger with specific instructions will be left at homes and businesses affected by the work approximately 48 hours in advance.

The contractor also will post "no parking" signs on each street prior to the start of work. In most cases, temporary restrictions will be in place for less than 24 hours and a street will be reopened by the end of the day. Violators will be towed per city ordinance.

Crews generally work 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday but are allowed to work later into the evening, as needed.

All roads will be reopened to through traffic during non-work hours.

Any rescheduled work will be performed the following day, in most cases.

For questions about the project, contact Don Stiens, Senior Engineer, Department of Transportation & Engineering (DOTE), at [donald.stiens@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:donald.stiens@cincinnati-oh.gov).

### **About Street Pavement Management**

DOTe also is rehabilitating 182 streets this year. Rehab, which started in April, takes longer to complete than preventive maintenance because it requires more work, including grinding, paving, curb replacements and casting adjustments for utilities.

For the list of streets undergoing rehabilitation, visit <https://cincinnati-oh.gov/dote/> and select '2018 Street Rehab Schedule' in the center-page menu under 'By Vehicle.'

DOTe works to improve streets in all 52 neighborhoods during a three-year cycle. This year, the City will spend a total of \$28.2 million to rehab or resurface approximately 190 lane miles in 39 neighborhoods with funding from the City's capital budget, Capital Acceleration Plan, grants and state sources.

### **Information Updates**

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