

Bunts Road Rehabilitation Project

A Clean Water & Active Transportation Lakewood Project

November 9, 2026 Project Update

PHASE 1, STAGE 1 (Lakewood Hts. Blvd. – Madison Ave.)

Recently Completed Work

The contractor is currently performing sewer lateral and water service line replacement work within the right-of-way for the properties along the west side of the street. As of this update, the contractor has completed about 95% of the west side properties; the remaining properties are all located just north of Lakewood Hts. Blvd. The contractor and/or project inspector will attempt to notify the residents when the work operations will be blocking driveway access. If your driveway is temporarily blocked and you need immediate access to your driveway, please communicate with the work crew or inspector and they will facilitate access as soon as possible, but a short delay should be expected.

If a residence has an existing lead or galvanized steel water service line in use on private property, once encountered, the contractor and/or project inspector will be reaching out to discuss the procedure/schedule to replace these lines. They will provide the owner of the property with a right-of-entry agreement which will need to be completed by the owner authorizing the City and their contractors to replace these private lines with a new copper water service line at no charge to the owners.

The contractor has recommenced the excavation and installation of the new storm-only sewer along the west side of Bunts in the area south of Athens Rd. As with the lateral service work, this task may cause brief disruptions into individual property driveways as the excavation passes through the area. As soon as the contractor places the new sewer pipe these trenches will be backfilled/ramped over to reinstate driveway access.

Enbridge and their contractor, Don Wartko Construction, are making steady progress relocating the gas valves (curb-stops) for the properties along the west side of Bunts. The section between Athens and Madison has been completed and the current schedule indicates the section between Athens and Lakewood Hts. Blvd. will be completed by about Saturday (11/14/26).

The contractor has completed all the pavement replacement work within the Bunts and Madison intersection including the installation of new red-dyed concrete crosswalk, sidewalks, and ADA-curb ramps. Any Bunts Rd. project-related “No Parking Signage” that was in place along Madison Avenue has been removed.

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Upcoming Work (Continued from P. 1)

Enbridge/Wartko will continue gas valve relocation work on the west side of Bunts between Athens and Lakewood Hts Blvd. Enbridge will be delivering notices to these properties explaining that their contractor (Wartko) will be on site the week of November 9 to relocate each of these properties' gas valves (curb stops).

Please Note: while performing this work, the owner/tenant of these properties will be requested to provide access inside their residence so gas company personnel can ensure that all pilot lights have been safely re-lit.

Terrace Construction will continue with the excavation and installation of the new storm-only sewer and the remaining properties sewer and water lateral services down the west side of the road, south of Athens. Please remember these operations may temporarily block driveway access. The contractor and/or project inspector will attempt to notify affected residents ahead of time. If your driveway is temporarily blocked and you need immediate access to your driveway, please communicate with the work crew or inspector and they will facilitate access as soon as possible, but a short delay should be expected.

The contractor is in the process of fine grading the stone base for the new shared use path between Madison and Athens. The current schedule has the contractor placing all the asphalt for this section of the path on Tuesday (11/10/26), weather permitting. As with some of the other work tasks, this activity will create situations where access/use of the driveways will be temporarily blocked. The contractor will work with the residents to get them in and out of the driveway as quickly as possible, however some delays can be expected.

The contractor is planning on installing new curb underdrains and performing roadway removal (with immediate stone base placement) operations beginning on Wednesday, November 11 along the west side of Bunts between Madison and Athens. These operations will be intrusive and require the contractor to temporarily block driveway access as they proceed past individual properties. The contractor will place stone and provide ramps at each affected driveway prior to leaving the site at the end of the day. The contractor and/or project inspector will knock on residence doors when these operations are getting close and assist residents in and out of their driveways until the areas can be reinstated. If residents have any special needs or requests with respect to driveway access during this work, it is recommended to call the Project 24-Hour Contact Number listed at the end of this update.

Once the contractor has completed the installation of the new curb underdrain and placement of the roadway new stone base, they will then focus on the placement of the new concrete curb and drive aprons, as well as the placement of the new asphalt roadway base layers, tentatively scheduled for the week of Nov. 16. Additional notices will be hand delivered to every affected property providing detailed information and scheduling updates concerning these operations. This work is estimated to take approximately four days to complete, during which time there will be no access to anyone's driveways, and the residents will need to utilize on-street parking along neighboring streets. There will be some availability to park within the work zone during non-work hours.

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PHASE 1, STAGE 2 (Madison Ave. – Franklin Ave.)

Recently Completed Work

Contractor planted the new replacement trees this past week within this section of Bunts.

Upcoming Work

Remaining work items: 1) The manufacturing of the new streetlight poles were delayed and will be installed upon delivery, and 2) Cured in place pipe-lining of the sanitary sewer main will occur at a later date. These remaining work items will require smaller work zones and will have temporary restricted parking to permit the work. Traffic will be maintained with flaggers, and some delays may be experienced.

With respect to the recently restored lawn areas, individual property owners are now expected to maintain their tree lawn and front yard areas that were disturbed during the work.



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Special Project Notes

On Saturday, November 14, the City's Streets Division staff will collect any leaves piled up in the treelawn areas on Bunts. The contractor will work with City staff in providing the necessary access.

Throughout the duration of the project residents can expect to see utility markings and construction layout staking. These are very important for the workers to be able to reference during their work. **Please DO NOT DISTURB/ REMOVE any of these markings and/or stakes.**

When work is occurring in posted sections, vehicle traffic will be maintained in a one-way southbound pattern.

For the safety of the residents and construction workers, please take caution and slow down while driving through the work zone. During work hours you can expect to experience some delays while the contractor is completing a task (moving materials, plates, and/or loading trucks). Please be patient and we will get you through as quickly as possible.

A project specific website page is available at: Bunts Road Rehab Project Website

Bi-weekly updates will be posted to the website. There is a link (under the Bunts Road Project Communications tab) where you can sign up to receive email notifications when new updates have been posted.

Any provided work schedules are weather-permitting.

If you have any questions or need to request a special arrangement, please contact the City of Lakewood or project personnel at the contacts listed below.

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