Southwest Calgary Ring Road

Construction Update #8

July 26, 2019

Update on Summer Construction

KGL spent much of the spring and early summer advancing work on structures, graveling and paving roadways, and preparing for significant upcoming detours. Among the key traffic realignments planned for the second half of the year are:

- Highway 8 from Sarcee Trail to 101 Street
- 37 Street from Anderson Road to Fish Creek Boulevard
- Highway 22X from 69 Street to 6 Street / Sheriff King Street

Preparing for your commute? Make sure to check out the <u>traffic impact map</u> on the project website. It provides a quick reference of all upcoming and active traffic impacts along the project corridor.

KGL recently increased the scope of <u>24-hour operations</u> along the SWCRR by adding a number of locations that are critical to the project schedule. Other areas may be added to the <u>24-hour operations</u> to offset the impacts of rainy weather, maintain the project schedule and prepare for significant traffic realignments.

After delays due to nesting birds and rain in June, KGL is carrying out mowing, stockpile stabilization and weed control along the length of the SWCRR corridor.

Glenmore Trail - Highway 8 to 37 Street S.W.

- Lott Creek Boulevard was closed from July 19 to 23 to build the new eastbound alignment and install a stormwater line
- The City of Calgary has carried out a series of repairs on 101 Street near Lower Springbank Road

- Barrier has been installed along portions of Highway 8 to limit site access and reduce mud tracking
- Construction is ongoing along Highway 8 with the goal of realigning traffic onto new road this fall (future eastbound alignment of the SWCRR)
- Construction continues on 11 bridges in the Sarcee Trail area
 Additional driving of piles is planned at Westhills Way
 - Additional driving of piles is planned at westnills way in the fall
 - Traffic on Glenmore Trail will be realigned through a portion of the interchange in the fall
- The permanent closure of 45 Street at Glenmore Trail is expected to occur in the fall
- 37 Street between 46 Avenue and Glenmore Trail will be reduced to a <u>single lane</u> in each direction starting July 28
 The lane reductions are expected to last until late 2019
- Traffic on Glenmore Trail east of the existing 37 Street bridge was realigned in early July
 - Traffic will be <u>shifted again</u> under the new bridge on July 28
 - The westbound Glenmore Trail on/off ramps for 37 Street will also be realigned in mid-August
 - Additional realignments along Glenmore Trail are expected in the fall
 - \circ $\,$ The new bridge is expected to open to vehicle and pedestrian traffic in late 2019 $\,$
- Additional work is planned to start at the roundabout in Lakeview in August
 - Activity will focus on building the new parking area on the east side and completing the pavement tie-ins to 37 Street





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• Traffic on Weaselhead Road in the Elbow River Valley was realigned in May and another realignment is planned in September

West Calgary – 90 Avenue to 162 Avenue

- Activity continues on the northbound and southbound SWCRR mainlines from the Elbow River to Anderson Road
- At Anderson Road, work is ongoing to build the four bridges in the interchange
- Access to the <u>Tsuut'ina Nation</u> has been changed from Buffalo Run Boulevard (at 130 Avenue) to the intersection of Anderson Road / 37 Street
- Traffic on 37 Street will be detoured through the Anderson Road interchange in the fall and onto new road from Anderson Road to Fish Creek Boulevard (future southbound alignment of the SWCRR)
- This will coincide with a <u>change of access</u> to Woodbine in the fall
 - \circ $\,$ The new bridge at 130 Avenue will be completed and opened
 - Traffic on 37 Street will use a temporary access at the Gas Bar and then Buffalo Run Boulevard to reach Woodbine
 - 37 Street access to/from Woodbine will be maintained throughout the construction period
- At Fish Creek Boulevard, the new bridge is expected to open this fall
- Activity continues on the northbound and southbound SWCRR mainlines from Fish Creek Boulevard to Highway 22X, including structural work on the bridge at 162 Avenue

Highway 22X – 69 Street to Macleod Trail

- Traffic movements will change at the intersection of 37 Street and Highway 22X in the fall (see map below)
 - Access to / from Highway 22X will be maintained, but no straight through traffic on 37 Street (to 96 Street W)
 - No U-turns will be permitted at the intersection
 - Right-in / right-out access will be provided to 37 Street south of Highway 22X (to 96 Street W)
- Portions of Highway 22X between 6 Street and 69 Street will be realigned onto new road starting in August
- With the realignment, a road will be available at Tournament Lane to provide additional access to Spruce Meadows
- James McKevitt has been realigned and will be centralized into a single intersection with the realignment of Highway 22X
- There have been ongoing closures around 6 Street and Sheriff King Street in preparation for a minor traffic realignment in early August
- Similarly, there have been ongoing lane closures on southbound Macleod Trail to support bridge construction at the interchange
 - Southbound traffic on Macleod Trail will be realigned in early August
- Work is ongoing on eight of the 13 bridges in the Macleod Trail area







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