



January 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Collector Street Improvement Project – Stella Road from Wilmot Road to Camino Seco

Dear Neighbor:

Communication is a key component in creating and preserving partnerships between citizens and the City of Tucson. In keeping with this commitment, the City of Tucson Department of Transportation and Mobility (DTM) is notifying you of an upcoming roadway improvement project on Stella Road from Wilmot Road to Camino Seco, as part of the Tucson Mayor and Council approved 5-Year Collector Street program. See the attached map for project limits.

Project Start: On Monday, January 13, 2025, KE&G Construction, under contract with DTM, is scheduled to begin the roadway improvement project with installation of ADA compliant ramps where required or as needed. Crews will also begin the asphalt prep work which includes lowering manhole covers and water valve covers within the project limits, followed by tree trimming operations.

Tree Trimming: Per Tucson City Code, Chapter 25 and this project, any tree, bush, or plant extending over the curb into the roadway that cannot allow for 12-foot-tall machinery to clearly access the asphalt edge must be trimmed. If trimming is not complete by **Monday, January 27, 2025**, Santa Rita Landscaping will conduct trimming operations overseen by a certified arborist at no charge to the homeowner. If you have any questions on tree trimming, please contact DTM Landscape Architect David Marhefka at david.marhefka@tucsonaz.gov.

Paving: In late January, following the prep work, crews are scheduled to mill (remove) the old asphalt, grade the asphalt base, and repave with new asphalt.

Traffic Control: During the milling and paving, a travel lane in each direction will be maintained with the exception of Stella Road between Calle Polar and Mann Avenue. Flaggers will direct traffic around the median islands.

All residential and business access will be maintained; however, access will be restricted intermittently when heavy equipment is directly in front of driveways.

Parking: On-street parking restrictions will be in effect when crews work on Stella Road. No parking signs will be placed on the street 48 hours in advance to notify you when on-street parking is prohibited.

Work Hours: Crews will work Monday through Friday, from about 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Electronic message boards will be in place to alert motorists of this upcoming work.

Following paving operations, crews will return to raise manhole covers and water valve covers level with the new asphalt and paint pavement markings. The project is scheduled to be complete by the end of March 2025.

Contact Us: The schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances. If you have any questions on the project, please call Project Manager Nick Germanos at (757) 719-1618, or Public Information Coordinator Amanda Valenzuela at (520) 600-8229.

Learn More: This collector street improvement project was selected by the Independent Oversight and Accountability Commission (IOAC) as part of the 5-Year Collector Street Program. In June 2022, the Tucson Mayor and Council approved \$15 million per year for 5 years to preserve and improve selected collector streets in the City of Tucson.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we work to improve the quality and safety of your city streets.

Map – Project Limits:

