

2025 Walnut Street Stabilization Construction Project – Frequently Asked Questions



What are the details of this project?

Located along Walnut Street, just south of McGill Street, the road has been severely undercut the Big Walnut Creek due to stream bank erosion. Walnut Street has been closed since 2011. A construction technique called soil nailing will be used to stabilize the edge of the stream along with concrete. This technique will utilize equipment staged on the road and will repair the embankment without entering the water or adjacent properties. The road will be paved, reestablished, and opened to two-way traffic.

When will this project start and how long will it last?

This project is expected to be substantially completed by July with the street repaved and road open to two-way traffic. The contractor, Ironsite, plans on mobilizing next week to remove trees/brush, the fence, and guardrail with barrels/cones to block the area. There will be a 1-3 week gap before work resumes on this project.

Why is Sunbury performing this project?

This project is a critical stabilization of the embankment along the Creek. Walnut Street is intended to act as a collector and will improve the navigation away from residential streets.

How will the City keep residents informed about the work progress and impacts?

The City will include the FAQ on the website for those interested in updates that may need to be shared.

Will driveway access be limited during this project?

Yes. Although the City will work to minimize impacts, there will be times when work is occurring near the ends of driveways along the road, and access will be limited. The contractor may need to stage equipment and materials in the closed road and possibly along the right-of-way (grass area adjacent to the pavement).

Will my landscaping near the road be disturbed?

Yes, if the landscaping is within the road right-of-way or within construction limits the landscaping may be impacted. Most of the work will occur on the stream side of the road/embankment and therefore brush/tree clearing will occur in March.

Will any work occur outside of the Right of Way?

The City is not anticipating any work outside of the City right-of-way, but again the grass area along the edge may be utilized as staging. The contractor will put grass seed down, and watering/mowing will be critical in the success of reestablishing grass. Please remove any items in the street or right-of-way before March 4th.

Why is Columbia Gas (or their contractor) doing work?

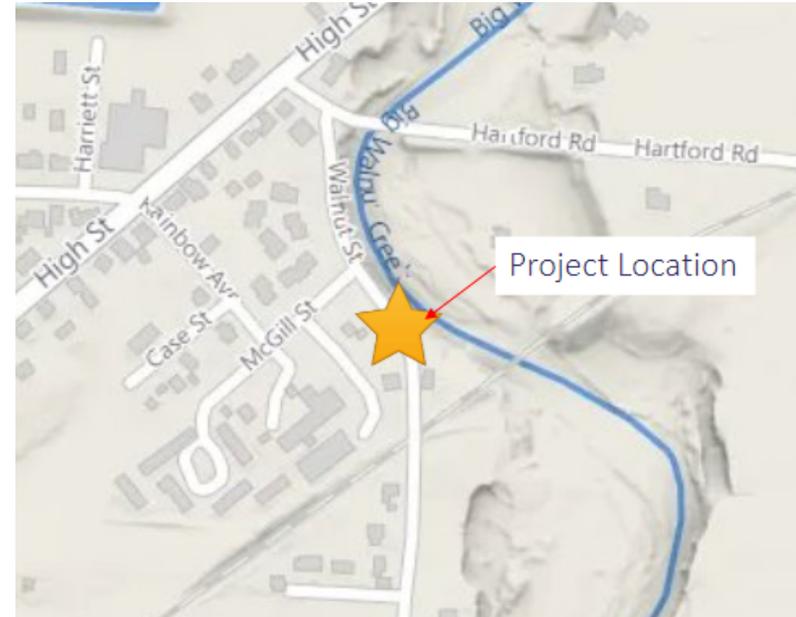
Columbia Gas has a planned project along this area that may start sooner than Ironsite or at the same time. Both companies are aware of the work and coordinating to avoid any construction/timing conflicts. The City hopes this coordination will also provide the least impacts to the residents.

Who do I contact if I have questions or need help during construction?

The City can be contacted if you have questions or concerns during business hours. Carla Odebralski, City Engineer, can be reached at 740-965-2684 x207. For immediate help while the contractor is on site, the City will have a Construction Inspector (consultants Verdantas) for quality assurance who will be there daily and maintain a inspection report for all activities.

Will my trash pick up, deliveries, and/or emergency services be impacted?

Trash pick up will remain the same, and access to for deliveries and emergency services will follow their current routes until the street is opened. Both Police and Fire have been notified of the project. If you have critical deliveries, you may want to reach out to verify that deliveries can be made beyond road closure and construction signs.



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