

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

January 21, 2022

To: Local Media Representatives

From: KUB Communications & External Relations

Re: Traffic Advisory – Lane/Road Closures for Utility Work [All closures and work are weather permitting]

(West Knox) Cherokee Boulevard Lane Closure [January 24-25] – KUB's wastewater project contractor will perform work on the City of Knoxville's stormwater system next week in the vicinity of 481 Cherokee Boulevard. To facilitate this work, City of Knoxville Engineering will provide traffic control and close southbound lane of Cherokee Boulevard between Kingston Pike and Cheowa Circle daily from **7a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday, January 24, and Tuesday, January 25**. The northbound lane of Cherokee Boulevard and the Sequoyah Greenway will remain open. Driveway access will be maintained, and flaggers will be on site to assist with traffic control. Through traffic will need to follow detour signage for alternate routes.

(Northwest Knox) Western Avenue Lane Closure [January 25-28] – KUB crews will close short sections of the westbound curbside lane on Western Avenue between John May Drive and Schaad Road daily between **9 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Tuesday, January 25, through Friday, January 28**, as work is performed on the overhead electric system in the area. The lane closure will be limited to the immediate area where crews are working as they progress along the north side of Western Avenue. One westbound, turn lanes, and both eastbound lanes will remain open. Access to businesses, driveways, and connecting side streets will be maintained. Follow-up advisories will be issued as necessary.

(North Knox) Central Avenue Pike Road Closure [Weekdays, January 25—February 4] – KUB contractor crews will close a short section of Central Avenue Pike between Murray Road and Charlene Lane to through traffic weekdays between **8 a.m. – 5 p.m. starting Tuesday, January 25, through Friday, February 4**, as work is performed on the wastewater collection system in the area. Alternate routes include Callahan Drive, Murray Road, Dry Gap Pike, Haynes-Sterchi Road, Cedar Lane, and Clinton Highway. Access to connecting side streets and driveways will be maintained. This section of Central Avenue Pike will reopen to normal traffic flow outside of listed work hours and on weekends. Follow-up advisories will be issued as necessary.

Some listed closures may extend beyond the scheduled times depending on the conditions encountered during excavation and construction. Appropriate traffic control measures will be in place at each location to assist motorists traveling in these areas. Due to the ongoing presence of workers and equipment, motorists are advised to use caution and expect temporary delays in these areas. More information on this and other KUB construction projects can be found at www.kub.org.

*Tennessee's **Move Over Law** requires motorists approaching a utility vehicle with flashing lights to move over if safe to do so, creating an empty lane buffer. When changing lanes is not possible, motorists must reduce speed.*

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