

## TRAFFIC ADVISORY

February 4, 2022

To: Local Media Representatives

From: KUB Communications & External Relations

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

**(Downtown Knoxville) S. Gay Street Parking Closure [Overnight]** – KUB crews will close curbside parking along the northbound lane of S. Gay Street between Union Avenue and Clinch Avenue overnight from 9 p.m., February 7, until 5 a.m., February 8, and again from 9 p.m., February 10, until 5 a.m., February 11, as work is performed on the underground electric system in the downtown area. The adjacent sidewalk and crosswalks will also be closed during these time frames. All lanes of traffic will remain open on S. Gay Street. Appropriate signage will be set up on site to assist with traffic control. Follow-up advisories will be issued as necessary.

**(North Knox) Central Avenue Pike Road Closure/Dry Gap Pike Intermittent Lane Closures [February 7-11]** – 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 Monday, February 7, and lasting through Friday, February 11**, 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. **Dry Gap Pike Lane Closures –** Crews will also implement temporary lane closures next week along short sections of Dry Gap Pike between Central Avenue Pike and Haynes-Sterchi Road. The entire stretch of Dry Gap Pike will not be affected at the same time as lane closures will be limited to the immediate area where crews are working. Additionally, road and lane closures will not be in effect at the same time on Central Avenue Pike and Dry Gap Pike. Access to connecting side streets and driveways will be maintained. Both Central Avenue Pike and Dry Gap 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](http://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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