

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

March 22, 2017

To: Local Media Representatives

From: KUB Communications

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

(North Knoxville) Merchant Drive Lane Closure [March 22-23]– KUB crews will close a short section of the westbound lane of Merchant Drive between Tiffany Road and Wil-Loyd Road, beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Wednesday, March 22, and lasting through 6 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, March 23, as work is performed on the water distribution system in the area. The eastbound lane will remain open and the center turn lane will be used for westbound traffic. Flaggers and signs will be on site to assist with traffic control.

(Downtown Knoxville) S. Gay Street Lane Closure [March 23] – KUB crews will close a short section of the northbound, curbside lane of S. Gay Street between Union Avenue and Wall Avenue, from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m., on Thursday, March 23, as work is performed on the natural gas distribution system in the area. One northbound lane and both southbound lanes will remain open during this time. Access to local businesses will be maintained, and flaggers will be on site to assist with traffic control.

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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