

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

March 3, 2023

To: Local Media Representatives

From: KUB Communications & External Relations

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

(Mechanicsville) Western Avenue Lane Closures (March 4, 2023) – KUB crews will temporarily close both eastbound lanes of traffic along the section of Western Avenue between N. Seventeenth Street and Ailor Avenue from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, as work is performed on the wastewater collection system in the area. Eastbound traffic flow will be detoured via N. Seventeenth Street and Dale Avenue during this period. Westbound traffic flow will be maintained on Western Avenue. Appropriate traffic control measures, including channeling devices will be present to assist with maintaining local traffic flow. All lanes will reopen to normal traffic flow outside of work hours.

Some 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.

KUB is a municipal utility serving Knox and parts of seven adjacent counties and provides electric, fiber, natural gas, water, and wastewater services to more than 478,000 customers.

###