

This is being sent to all property owners and tenants along the Charlotte Myrtle Morehead Drainage Project and also various businesses and agencies. The project work continues along Morehead Street and also at Baxter/McDowell Streets. This email is to provide you with a project update concerning new work beginning along Oriole Street.

Construction and placement of the 90" Concrete Pipe is beginning along Oriole extending from Morehead Street. The pipe will be about 25 feet deep and will be open trench placement down the middle of Oriole Street. The work is in two steps. First is placement of pipe support piles and second will be digging and placing the 90" pipe.

Step one. Beginning this afternoon along Oriole Street, a drill rig will be drilling and placing pipe piles flush with the pavement. These pipe pile, later, in step two when the trench is opened, will support the timber lagging that holds the dirt back to make the bottom of the trench a safe place to work. Traffic during this step one will be maintained in the existing pattern. Also, driveways will continue to be open but several minute delays can be expected. This first step of placing the piles on Oriole is expected to take about three working days.

Step two. Later, beginning mid-June, the trench work will progress in stages along Oriole Street from Morehead. The crew will advance little by little, digging the 25' deep trench, placing pipe, and backfilling the trench as the work proceeds. When the work proceeds away from Morehead Street, that end of Oriole will open to traffic. On various days, some of the driveways will be temporarily blocked. There will be times when driveways will not be available for several days. This work is expected to take about three months. Oriole Street folks will be notified as work continues.

Weather will effect work crews day to day operation. In addition to the depth, the various overhead and underground utilities will make this work slow and tedious, but these services are not scheduled to be interrupted. Construction traffic will once again be somewhat heavier due to deliveries and material removal. Also, some of this work will be noisy.

As always, please keep alert to work crews and changing traffic patterns as you travel the work zone.

Please advise if you have any questions. I hope this information keeps you informed of the project's impacts on the area. By the end of June, we hope to complete work along Baxter; now, this portion of work will greatly impact homeowners and businesses along Oriole. Sanders Const. has committed this extra crew and equipment to expedite the work.

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