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## **A-STREET CLOSURE**

**Citizens Urged to Avoid Use of A-Street: 29 March-15 April 2010**

Starting at 7:30a.m. Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> 2010, A-Street SE will be closed to all northbound traffic; that is, the lane on the Middle School side of the street, will be closed to all cars.

A-Street is a major route into the City for many citizens. This closure could result in significant traffic impacts until the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. During construction, local access will be maintained, but delays should be expected. The project is getting underway during our school's Spring Break, in order to get past the area closest to the Middle School.

Construction on the one lane will begin Monday 29 March at Nat Washington Way and proceed south towards Highway 282. When school returns on April 5<sup>th</sup>, expect extreme traffic during the student drop-off time, mornings and afternoons.

The City is asking all motorists to avoid using A-Street entirely, if possible, during this section of the Project. The City is working alongside the School District to mitigate impacts, but due to the unique road layout- delays will be inevitable unless motorists avoid the use of A-Street.

This closure is start of our third phase of the Ephrata Waterline & Street Project; a four-year, \$10-million dollar project to replace over 24-miles of aging waterlines and resurface neighborhood streets. Phase-III will generally cover the southeast areas of the City, including Swanson Addition. Construction is scheduled to take approximately two-weeks for A-Street, and another 22-weeks for the remainder of this phase.

The City places a weekly ad in Thursday's edition of the Grant County Journal, which details the upcoming week's construction schedule. The City's website also has information, photographs, and articles about the Project, and of course, anyone can contact City Hall for additional information.

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### Additional Contact Information

City Website on Project: <http://www.ephrata.org/286.html>  
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