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DRAINAGE PROJECT TARGETS PORTIONS OF UNIVERSITY CITY AND AUDUBON SUBDIVISION

Kenner, LA. - The first phase of an $889,000 project to improve drainage in areas of both University City and the Audubon subdivision will begin soon and last about six months, officials said.

“The city issued the notice to proceed with construction on Monday, May 5, but the contractor may not immediately start work due to the need to perform a series of pre-construction tasks,” said Kenner Public Works Director Jose Gonzalez.

The work will be performed by Subterranean Construction, LLC. The contract calls for the work to be finished in 180 calendar days, weather permitting. The drainage work is part of the Statewide Flood Control Program, Gonzalez said. That means that state pays for 90 percent of most construction costs with the city putting up a 10 percent match.

There will be some inevitable traffic impact, with work scheduled generally between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., but the contractor will attempt to keep a lane open during non-working hours at all times. Galan Drive, Hooper Drive, Maggiore Drive and Millsaps Place are the streets involved in Phase 1, though Gonzalez said the work is not going to involve the entirety of those streets, “just sections.”

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