



# CITY OF KENNER

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### PATHS TO PROGRESS ANNOUNCES SIDE STREET CLOSURES ALONG WEST ESPLANADE STARTING OCT. 31

**Kenner, LA.** – Beginning on Thursday, asphalt paving work will begin on both sides of West Esplanade Avenue, a process that will require brief closures of the side streets in the project area between Williams Boulevard and Ole Miss Drive.

Crews will first focus on the area between Williams Boulevard and the Duncan Canal, and on Nov. 4 - weather permitting - move to the section of West Esplanade between the Duncan Canal and Ole Miss Drive. Construction working hours will be between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

As work crews put down a high-quality asphalt surface, a number of side streets will be closed for approximately 20 to 45 minutes to allow the new asphalt to be properly placed and compacted before traffic is allowed to travel on it, according to Kenner Public Works Director Jose Gonzalez.

Gonzalez said traffic control signs will be in place and Kenner police will also be in the area for traffic control purposes. Several streets will be temporarily impacted at a time.

As for the impact to traffic on West Esplanade, the contractor will keep one lane open in each direction at all times, Gonzalez said. If there are no weather delays or other issues, the project is expected to be completed sometime between Nov. 20 and 24.

The project is part of the Paths to Progress program, a joint effort between state and federal officials to rehabilitate and restore roadways in both Orleans and Jefferson parishes. About \$26 million of the \$90 million total budget for the program will be spent on Kenner roads at no cost to the city.

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