

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE NOVEMBER 2024

What's Happening in the Neighborhood?

Construction of the West Chicago Stormwater Improvement Project will be underway in the next few weeks! The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) and their contractor Major Contracting Group (Major) is constructing this project to help reduce the risk of basement backups, street flooding, and improve water quality within the Rouge River. DWSD will send these monthly email updates to keep you informed on the project progress.

W Outer Drive Construction

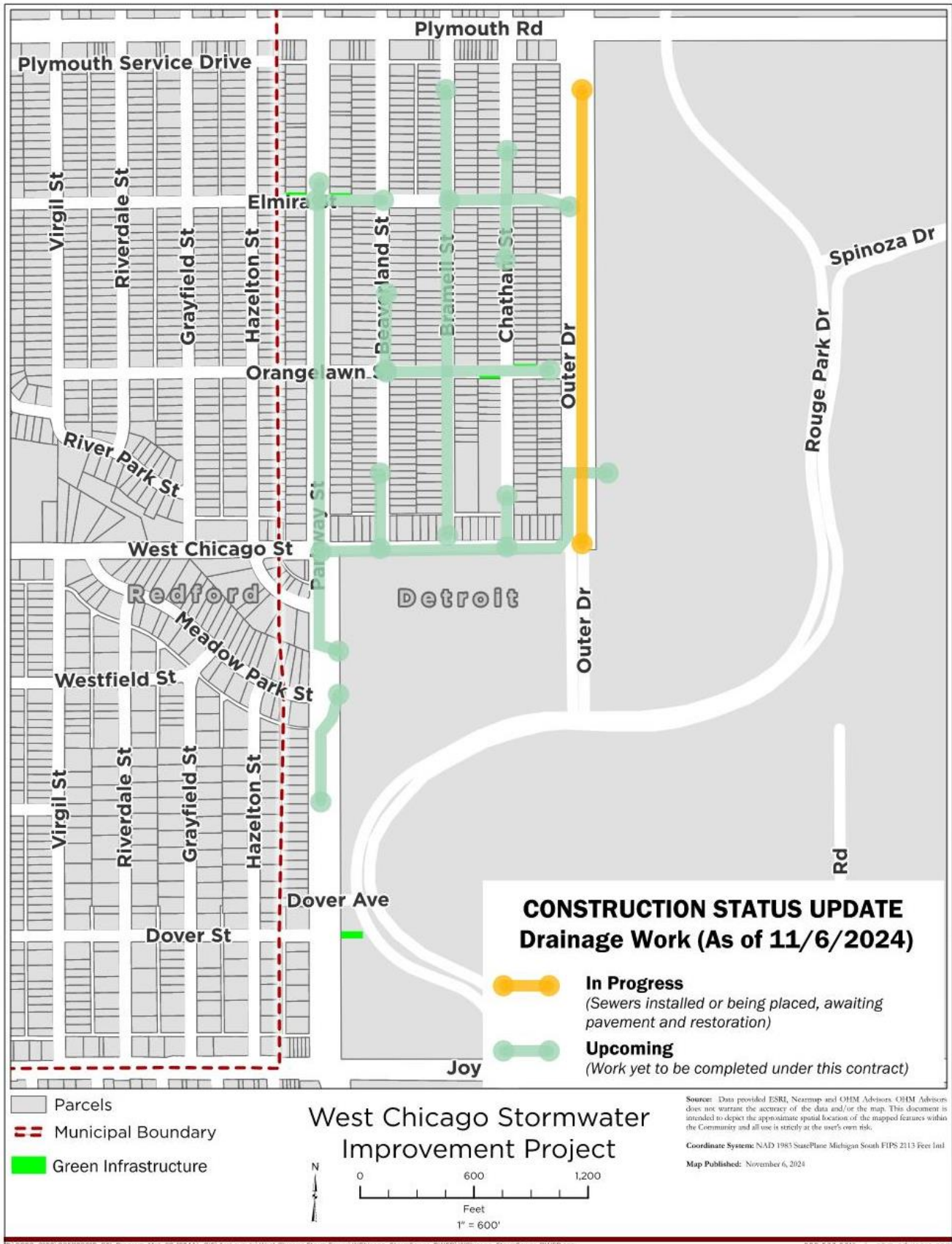
In November, Major Contracting Group will begin sewer installation on West Outer Drive in the northbound lanes. **During installation, the northbound lanes will be closed, and two-way traffic will be maintained in the southbound lanes.** Residents who live along West Outer Drive from West Chicago to Plymouth have been notified with door hanger notices. Residents on West Outer Drive will have full driveway access during construction and should not park in the street. Please follow all traffic signs during construction. Construction will bring some noise, dirt, and debris to the neighborhood, but guidelines are in place to minimize impact to residents and DWSD inspectors will monitor the project daily.

The northbound lanes of West Outer Drive will be closed November 2024 through December 2024. Once sewer installation is complete, temporary restoration will be placed and the northbound lanes will be reopened. **Outer Drive will be closed again for permanent restoration in April or May 2025, weather dependent.**



When and Where Will the Remaining Project Work Occur?

The project will occur in phases through majority of the neighborhood south of Plymouth Road with the most significant construction on West Chicago, West Outer Drive, West Parkway and Bramell. **Work will vary by street and any house impacted will be provided a flyer in advance of working beginning on their block with the details of impact and timeline.**



Stay Updated

On September 9, members of the DWSD project team attended the West Outer Drive Civic Association monthly meeting and presented on the project purpose, schedule and locations of work. The presentation can be found on DWSD's website: <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/water-and-sewerage-department/dwsd-projects/west-chicago-stormwater-improvement-project>.

There are several ways that you can stay up to date on the Far West Detroit Stormwater Improvement Project.

- **Online Updates** - Thanks for joining our e-newsletter list. Your neighbors can join our distribution list by sending their name and address to dwsd-publicaffairs@detroitmi.gov. DWSD sends monthly newsletters to this list serv with key project updates. Project updates are also posted on Nextdoor and the [project webpage](#).
- **Phone** - Report any concerns to the Public Affairs Construction Line: 313-880-2812
- **Attend our Project Progress Meetings** - DWSD hosts quarterly neighborhood-wide update meetings to keep residents informed about the project and answer questions. Meeting notices are sent through the email list, Nextdoor and door hangers are distributed to the entire neighborhood.

DWSD is available to answer your questions or concerns regarding construction in the West Outer Drive neighborhood. If you have a question, please call us at 313-880-2812 or [email us at dwsd-publicaffairs@detroitmi.gov](mailto:dwsd-publicaffairs@detroitmi.gov).

Thank You!

WHAT YOU SHOULD EXPECT

During construction it is DWSD's intention to minimize inconveniences to residents and businesses. However, you should expect the following:



Contractors will have large trucks and heavy equipment. For the safety of everyone in the neighborhood, please keep a safe distance from all machinery. During non-working hours, equipment may be parked in a lot with owner approval or the right-of-way.



Construction will bring some noise, dirt and debris to the neighborhood.



There may be traffic impediments, but residents and businesses will have access. You should also expect street closures and restrictions to street parking during construction. Please try to avoid parking on impacted streets.



Lawns, cement, fences and other property in the sewer right-of-way may be disturbed. Contractors will return to restore property. Temporary restorations may occur before permanent work is completed during April - October when weather permits.