



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Downtown Berm Project

We would like to inform you about the upcoming construction project involving the Downtown Berm, which aims to enhance the safety and resilience of our community against flooding events. We understand that construction projects can be disruptive, but we assure you that we will prioritize minimizing inconvenience to the residents of Drumheller. Here is an overview of the project, including Phase 1 and Phase 2 details, along with important information and contact details for your reference.

Project Overview:

The Downtown Berm construction project involves the upgrade and expansion of the existing berm along the Red Deer River, starting from the Aquaplex building and extending to higher ground near Riverside Drive and 4th Ave East. The design includes a retaining wall section of approximately 240 meters to maintain two-way traffic on Riverside Drive. Phase 1 of the project was previously tendered in the spring of 2022 but was combined with Phase 2 into one package due to cost optimization efforts.

Tree clearing for Phase 1 of the Downtown Berm was completed by Wright Tree Service in the spring of 2022, while additional tree clearing for Phase 2 and redesigned areas of Phase 1 was carried out by Wilco Contractors Southwest in the spring of 2023.





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Construction Schedule:

Construction is scheduled to commence in late June or early July, with the contractor mobilizing to the area and beginning early works. Earthfill haul and placement will start in July. The contractor aims to complete the work by the end of November 2023, pending regulatory authorizations for in-stream rock placement this summer. Landscaping work in Centennial Park, which is included in the project, is expected to be completed by the end of 2023 to ensure the park's availability in 2024.

Contractor Information:

The construction contract for the Downtown Berm project has been awarded to Wilco Contractors Southwest Inc. (Wilco). Wilco has previous experience working for the Town of Drumheller on various projects, including the Grove Plaza, Midland, and Willow Estates Berm projects, as well as relevant landscaping construction experience. Their expertise makes them well-suited to complete the work.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

We understand that construction activities can have potential impacts on the surrounding environment and daily activities. Here are some key points to consider:

1. **Dust:** The contractor will implement dust control strategies to minimize dust generation, such as spraying water and utilizing dust suppression equipment.
2. **Noise:** Efforts will be made to minimize noise levels by adhering to local noise bylaws and utilizing noise reduction methods and equipment.
3. **Vibration:** The contractor will monitor and control vibration levels within acceptable limits to minimize any impact on surrounding structures.
4. **Truck Traffic:** There will be an increase in truck traffic during the construction period. The contractor will establish designated haul routes and may implement speed reductions in certain areas to ensure the safe movement of trucks.
5. **Haul Routes:** The contractor will determine and communicate specific haul routes to minimize disruptions to local traffic and ensure the safety of residents and road users.

We want to assure you that Wilco Contractors Southwest Inc. will make every effort to minimize the impact of construction activities on the community.

What You Can Do to Prepare for Construction:

We understand that the construction project may cause some temporary disruptions. To help you prepare and minimize any inconvenience, here are some suggestions:

1. **Stay Informed:** Stay updated on the project progress, schedule, and any potential changes or updates by visiting the website www.floodreadiness.drumheller.ca or contacting the provided project contacts. Regular communication will ensure you are aware of any specific impacts or requirements during the construction period.
2. **Plan for Temporary Disruptions:** Be prepared for temporary disruptions such as road and pathway detours, increased noise levels, dust, and truck traffic. If you have any sensitive activities or events planned during the construction period, consider adjusting your schedules or notifying the project contacts for assistance in minimizing any disturbances.



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3. **Secure Loose Items:** If you live near the construction area, ensure that any loose items on your property, such as fragile decorations, wall hangings and pictures are securely stored or relocated to avoid any potential damage.
4. **Follow Safety Instructions:** Pay attention to any signage, temporary road closures, or traffic control measures implemented during the construction. Follow the instructions provided for your safety and the safety of the construction workers.
5. **Protect Sensitive Areas:** If you have sensitive areas on your property, such as gardens or landscaping, consider taking precautions to protect them during the construction period. You may want to install temporary barriers or coverings to prevent any potential damage.
6. **Communicate Concerns:** If you have any specific concerns or issues related to the construction, do not hesitate to reach out to the project contacts or the contractor. They will be available to address your concerns and provide assistance whenever possible.

Laydown Area and Road Closures:

To assist you in understanding the project's scope and its impact on the downtown area, we have included a laydown area map and a map of road closures along with this letter. The laydown area map highlights the precise location and boundaries of the construction site and the adjacent areas. The road closure map and pedestrian pathway closure map identifies the specific road and pathway segments that will be affected during the construction period. These visual aids aim to help you visualize the project's extent, identify the road closures that will directly impact the area, and better understand the implications.

Contact Information:

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FLOOD OFFICE: 403-823-4878

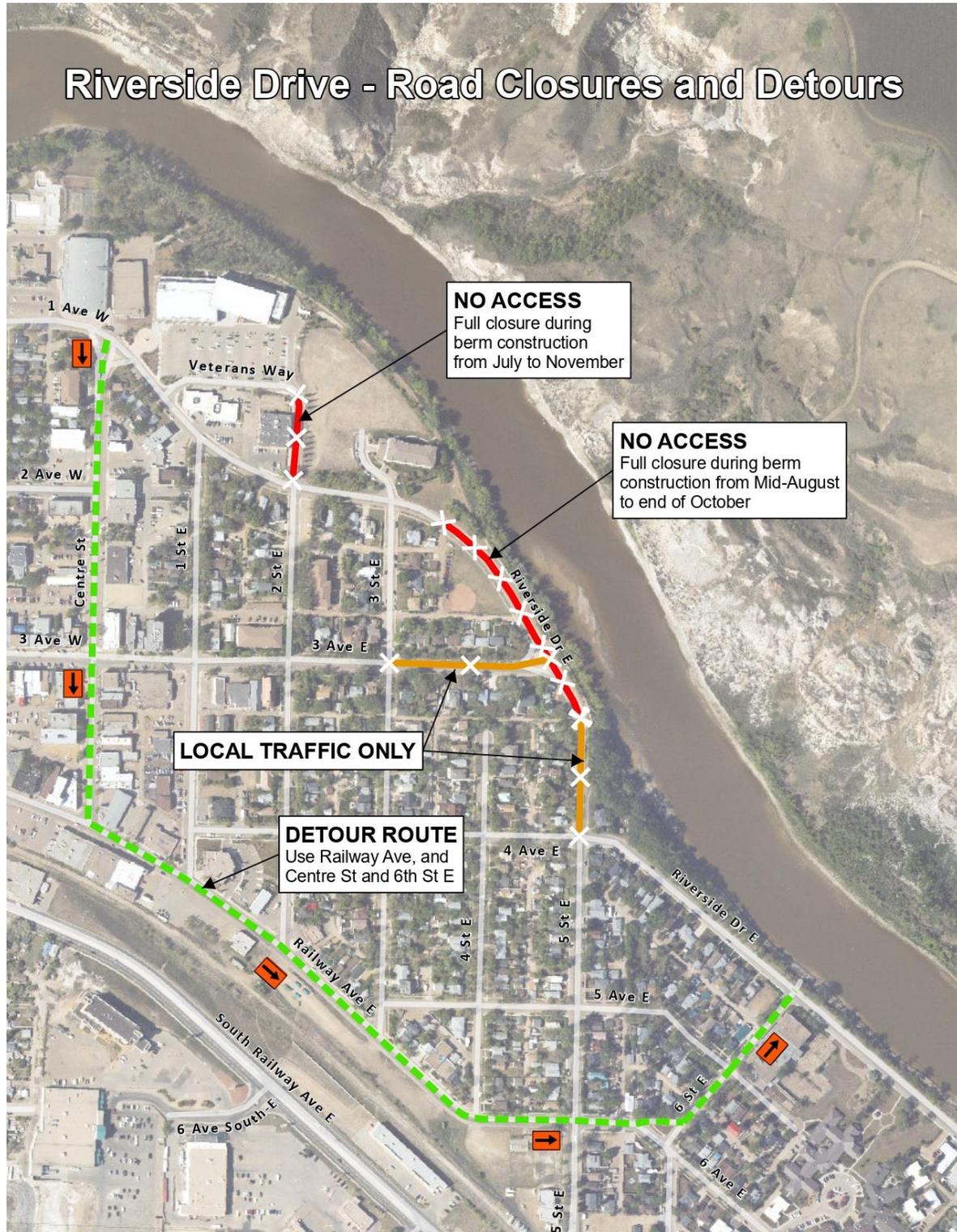
AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY: 403-823-2512

To Learn More: For additional information about the Downtown Berm project and the Town's flood mitigation efforts, please visit our website at www.floodreadiness.drumheller.ca or email us at floodreadiness@drumheller.ca.



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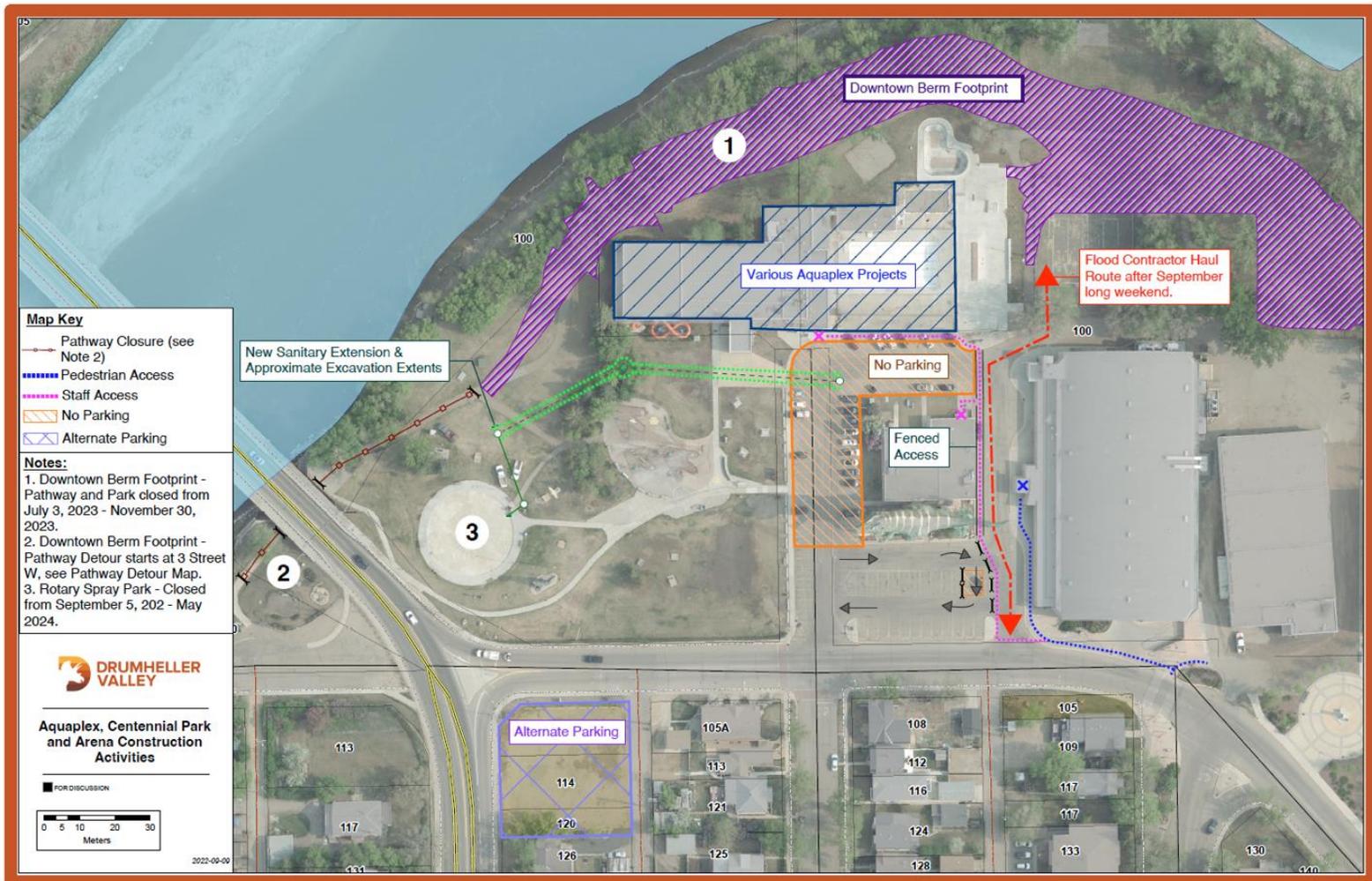
Riverside Drive Road Closure and Detours





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Aquaplex and Arena Construction Activities





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Pathway Detour – July – November 2023

