

West 10th Avenue Construction Update:

Please be advised of the construction work related to bike lane improvements along the West 10th corridor scheduled to start November 6, 2017. Note 10th Avenue will be one-way from Oak Street to Willow Street. **Access is intended to be maintained at all times** for pedestrians, research participants, hospital clients, staff, visitors, bikes, cars, delivery trucks, etc. They recognize the significant number of people accessing the health precinct and they are hiring extra flag people to assist with directions and information during the full construction period. There may be times where trucks need to deliver materials, equipment, etc that will require temporary closures but these are expected to be brief and coordinated through the flag people. You may wish to advise your research participants and delivery personnel that there is construction work underway so they can plan for extra time to arrive at their destination on site. The City expects there will be 2 phases due to upcoming winter weather. Phase I will be work conducted on 10th between Oak to Willow Street, and if they have time they'll continue work from Willow to Cambie. Phase II will accommodate any work not completed in Phase 1 (likely the work from Willow to Cambie. (They will assess in summer 2018). They are also looking at developing pamphlets that we may be able handout to research participants, etc who will be accessing the site. We'll forward any printed materials to those groups involved with research participants if/when received.

Here is a re-cap of the info provided in this week's VCH Newsletter with some additional details:



10th Avenue construction begins November 6

The City of Vancouver's 10th Avenue Corridor Project is set to begin Monday, November 6. Access to all health facilities will be maintained throughout the project; however, construction of street safety improvements will affect commuters using West 10th Avenue between Oak and Cambie.

Construction schedule

- November 6, 2017 to June 2018

- Monday to Friday: 7 am – 5:30 pm (when necessary, up to 8 pm on weekdays and/or on weekends)

Travel impacts



Traffic control personnel will be on-site to help commuters reach their destination and locate suitable parking, when needed.

If you're driving

- 10th Avenue will be one-way eastbound from Oak Street to Willow Street.
- Partial street closures will be required as work progresses.

If you're walking or cycling

- The street will remain open at all times for pedestrians and cyclists.
- At select times, cyclists will be asked to dismount in the construction area.

Safety improvements



Enhanced pick-up and drop-off areas for patients and clients are among the safety improvements planned for West 10th Avenue.

The project is designed to improve patient safety and access, while improving the safety, comfort and accessibility for all modes of transportation along 10th Avenue. Key safety improvements include:

- enhanced pick-up and drop-off areas for patients and clients, including 12 new passenger-loading zone and vehicle-staging spaces
- 10 new disability parking spaces
- raised crosswalks and intersections
- measures to separate road users
- enhanced lighting and wayfinding

In other transportation news

If you're working on the VGH campus on Saturday, November 4, please note that 10th Avenue between Oak and Laurel will be closed to vehicles from 7:30 am to 3 pm. During the closure, alternating bike traffic and pedestrian access will be maintained when it's safe to do so.

The road closure is necessary to protect everyone's safety while work is underway to install a new cooling tower at the Jack Bell Research Centre.

Learn more

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