



JOINT PROJECT

WESTERN AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

(Artesia Boulevard to 182nd Street)

PROJECT FACT SHEET

Q: What work does the Western Avenue Project include?

A: This project includes:

- Roadway widening, reconstruction and asphalt overlay
- Relocation of power poles for street widening
- Replacement of displaced curb and gutter, sidewalk and driveways
- Installation of trees in parkways
- Construction of access ramps at corners
- Re-striping of traffic lanes and relocation of a traffic signal pole
- Installation of dual southbound left-turn lanes at the Western Avenue/Artesia Boulevard Intersection

Q: Why is this a joint project?

A: The cities of Torrance and Gardena share jurisdiction of the public right-of way along Western Avenue. Approximately 80% of the right-of way is in Torrance, 20% is in Gardena. Torrance will take the lead role in the administration of the project, but each City will pay for improvements constructed in their jurisdiction.

Q: Who will be constructing this project?

A: The City of Torrance will be administering the construction of the Project. Sully-Miller Contracting Co. has been awarded the contract for construction.

Q: What is the construction schedule?

A: Construction is scheduled to commence in October 2003 and be complete in February 2004.

Q: What are the hours of construction?

A: Work will take place during the day from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Monday through Friday).

Q: How will traffic be affected?

A: A minimum of one lane of traffic will be open in each direction at all times. Traffic delays are expected and it is recommended that alternate routes be used to avoid the construction area.

Q: Will access to my driveway be affected?

A: Access to businesses or residences will be provided at all times. For businesses with multiple driveways, at least one access will be maintained at all times. At establishments with only one access, the work will be phased to provide continuous access. It is possible at times during construction that momentary access blockages could occur as equipment is actively working across your driveway. These blockages would be very short. Every effort will be made to maintain business access.

Q: How much is this project going to cost and how will it be funded?

A: Construction costs are estimated at \$1.3 million and will be funded from Prop C and Gas Tax Funds.

Q: Who do we call if we have questions?

A: The City of Torrance's Public Works Department, Engineering Division staff can be contacted during normal business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays at (310) 618-2820. During weekends, holidays, alternate Fridays and evenings, the Engineering office is closed. However, you can leave a message and City staff will return your call the following business day. For an emergency callout, contact the Torrance Police Department at (310) 328-3456.

The City of Gardena's Public Works, Engineering Division staff can also be contacted during normal business hours at (310) 217-9528.