

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

June 2024

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) continues to make construction progress on improvements in your neighborhood. DWSD thanks the community for your patience and support as we work hard to improve your neighborhood. DWSD has the following update on our project in the Far West Detroit neighborhood.

Recap of May Construction Update Meeting



Earlier this month, DWSD held a construction update meeting at the Ann Arbor Trail Magnet School. More than 40 neighbors were in attendance to hear about project updates and also provide feedback to the DWSD project team. Since the meeting, DWSD and our contractors have worked to resolve a number of the construction concerns expressed. If you did not attend, please click on the link below to view the presentation for an update on current construction and work beginning this spring and summer.

Presentation: <https://detroitmi.gov/document/presentation-update-community-far-west-stormwater-improvement-project-5162024>

Current Work

Sawyer Street Construction:

Our contractor, Major Contracting, has completed all sewer work along Sawyer and has started restoration which includes concrete pouring for streets and driveways. During this work, all intersections on Sawyer will remain closed to traffic. Residents near Sawyer should continue to use Tireman and Majestic as alternate routes. Sawyer between Chatham and Parkland will be reopened by the end of June.



South Basin Earthwork:

The contractor continues to work on final grading, topsoil placement and seeding around the south basin. The bike path along the east shoulder of Outer Drive will be restored following completion of all landscaping work. Planting of the remaining plants and trees will occur in the fall.

Parkland Water Main:

Most of water main and water service line replacement work on Parkland between West Warren and Tireman has been completed under a separate DWSD contract. Remaining work includes the restoration of sidewalks, streets and lawns. It is anticipated that this project will be complete by early fall.

Next Up: Bramell Street (Sawyer to Tireman)

We anticipate starting construction on installing a storm sewer down the middle of Bramell in June. During this work, residents may temporarily lose access to their driveways. **Prior to starting this work, affected residents will receive door hanger notices for timeline and impact to driveways.**

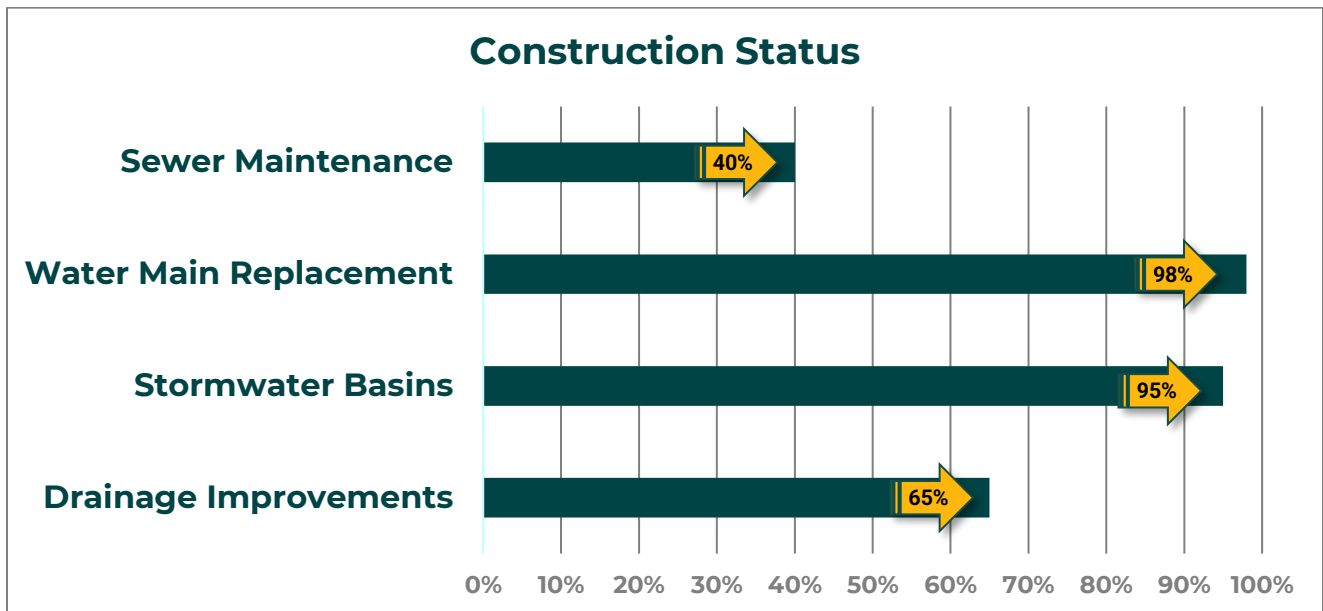


Map showing current and upcoming work on West Parkway, Belton, Sawyer, and Parkland.




Completed Work

The project began in Spring 2022 and is expected to be completed in Fall 2026. Key milestones are noted below.

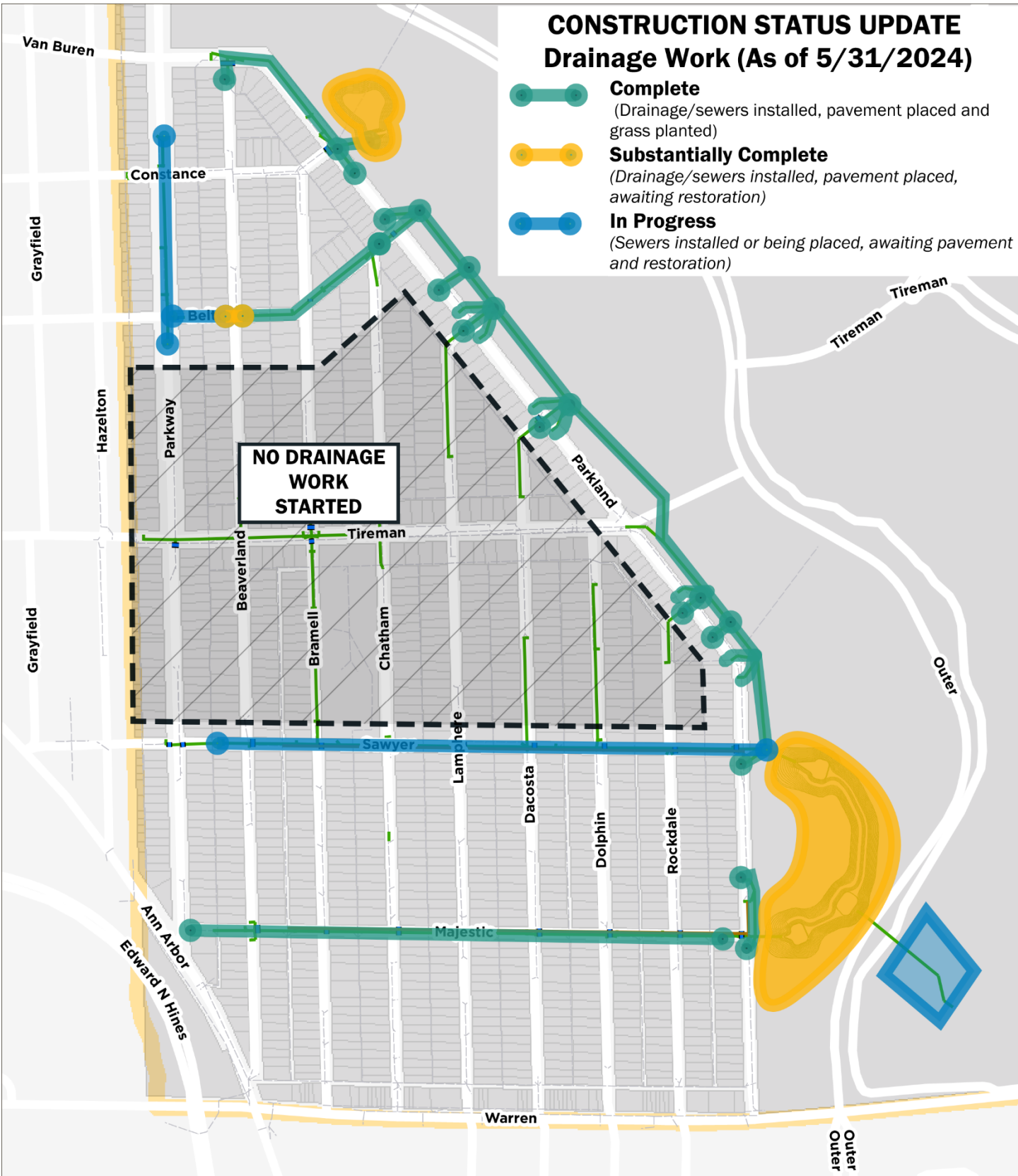
- The planned water main installations throughout the neighborhood are complete (note that additional work on Parkland is underway under a separate contract).
- Storm sewer along Majestic, Parkland, and Belton and Sawyer is complete. All combined sewer work is also complete.
- The north and south stormwater basins have been graded and restored. Landscaping in the park area around the basins will continue to progress this summer.



CONSTRUCTION STATUS UPDATE Drainage Work (As of 5/31/2024)

-  **Complete**
(Drainage/sewers installed, pavement placed and grass planted)
-  **Substantially Complete**
(Drainage/sewers installed, pavement placed, awaiting restoration)
-  **In Progress**
(Sewers installed or being placed, awaiting pavement and restoration)

**NO DRAINAGE
WORK
STARTED**



Stay Engaged

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

- **Updates via Email** -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. Meeting notices are sent through the email list Nextdoor, and door hangers are distributed to the entire neighborhood.











Thank You!

We know construction projects can be messy, dirty, and noisy. The work can also be inconvenient for our residents as you move to and from your homes. **DWSD understands this and appreciates your patience throughout this process as we work to upgrade the infrastructure in your neighborhood.**

DWSD is available to answer your questions or concerns regarding construction in Far West Detroit. 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).

WHAT YOU SHOULD EXPECT

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

WATER SYSTEM	SEWER SYSTEM
 <p>Brief interruptions of water supply when a new service line is being connected to the system. Every attempt will be made to inform impacted residents and businesses prior to disruption and service is generally restored the same day. Please contact DWSD Customer Care if you do not have water service for more than six hours or overnight.</p>	 <p>You will be notified when your sewer connection will be temporarily plugged. During this time, your sewer system should not be used. Don't use toilets(s), sinks, bathtub/shower, basement drains, dishwasher and clothes washer. This is to prevent backups into your home. You will be notified when your sewer line is safe to use. During this time you will have access to running water.</p>
 <p>Water main work may require some hydrants to be out of service intermittently. These hydrants will be tagged as out of service and DWSD will coordinate with the Detroit Fire Department with up-to-date information.</p>	 <p>Contractors working on sewer pipelines will need to access manholes in backyards and alleys. All manholes need to be accessible – free of vegetation, fencing or other objects. 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.</p>
 <p>Contractors will have large trucks and heavy equipment. For the safety of everyone in the neighborhood, please keep a safe distance from all machinery.</p>	 <p>The community may experience an odor during sewer construction activities.</p>
 <p>Construction will bring some noise, dirt and debris to the neighborhood.</p>	
 <p>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.</p>	
 <p>Lawns, sidewalks and driveways may be disturbed. Contractors will return to restore property. Temporary restorations may occur before permanent work is completed during April – October when weather permits.</p>	
 <p>To perform work, contractors may need to trim or cut trees and brush to access streets and alleys.</p>	