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Public Works launches web map showing construction impacts

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The City of Rochester Public Works Department has developed an interactive web map application (https://tinyurl.com/cormnconstructionimpacts) that is intended to inform the public of major impacts to roads, pedestrian facilities, and parking. This tool also provides general information on City of Rochester (City) sponsored projects that are currently or planned to be under construction.

City Engineer Dillon Dombrovski states: "I am proud of the creativity of our Geographic Information Systems (GIS) team, along with the collaboration of the construction and communications team in the development of this new tool that will give the community an overview of the various projects that have been completed, are actively under construction, or are planned for the future. It also provides a general overview of the construction impacts to roads, sidewalks and parking in an easy to read map."

The current version of the web map application focuses on City projects in the downtown area. Projects actively under construction are visible by default while completed and future projects can be switched on by the user. The next version of the application, expected to be complete by the end of July, will add active private construction projects in the downtown area with significant travel impacts to the map. For projects outside of the downtown area, those with significant travel impacts will be added as time allows. If detours exist, those are also identified on the map.

Project information on the application is expected to be updated weekly. The tool does not show real-time travel impacts, thus is not to be used as a replacement for navigation applications such as Google Maps.

This web map application does not include state, county or Rochester Public Utilities projects.

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