



Project Overview

Denver Public Works is installing a new storm water pipe to address persistent, nuisance flooding along Ellsworth Avenue between Colorado Boulevard and Birch Street in the Hilltop neighborhood. The City will be installing 15 new inlets and a 24 to 30 inch storm pipe to alleviate localized drainage issues and address additional runoff coming from the Graland Country Day School property. The project will include installation of new curb and gutter, some sidewalk improvements, and new ADA compliant ramps. Work will start at Colorado Blvd and proceed east on Ellsworth Avenue to Birch Street.

Why is this needed? Ellsworth Avenue between Colorado Boulevard and Birch Street experiences nuisance flooding, standing water and, during the winter months, the curb and gutter on the north side of the street often becomes encased in ice. The excess water is due to poor drainage after storm events, and drainage from the Graland Country Day School property.

Timeline

Construction is expected to begin in late July or early August, 2018 and last for approximately four months until the end of November, 2018.

Traffic, parking, and pedestrian impacts:

Ellsworth Avenue will be closed in both directions for one block at a time beginning at Colorado Boulevard and ending at Birch Street. Homes with driveway and garage entrances on Ellsworth Avenue will temporarily lose access for 3-5 days while excavation and construction is underway on their block. In some cases, Public Works may have to dig up and rebuild residential driveway aprons (an apron is typically the section of a driveway that runs from the sidewalk to the roadway). Should a driveway apron be affected, the project inspector from Denver Public Works will notify in advance and work closely with the resident regarding driveway repair and access. Intersections on Ellsworth Avenue will only be closed while construction crews rebuild curb, sidewalk, and ADA ramps. There will be no parking on blocks with active construction.



Ellsworth Avenue looking east, January 2018

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