

## Mayor Iveson kicks off 2014 road construction season

### *City commits to road infrastructure improvements with \$404 M investment*

Mayor Don Iveson kicked off the City's 2014 construction season today on 63 Avenue, announcing a \$404 million investment in more than 125 arterial road, bridge, interchange and neighbourhood road projects.



"During the election campaign, my Council colleagues and I heard from citizens about the need to invest in roads," said Mayor Iveson. "Today the City is renewing its commitment to this top infrastructure priority."

The work on 63 Avenue demonstrates the City's ongoing commitment to repairing roadways. In 2013, work included reconstruction of the westbound lane between 99 Street and 104 Street, as well as overlay on Calgary Trail southbound from 63 Avenue to 51 Avenue. In 2014, work will include the eastbound lane between 99 Street and 104 Street and rehabilitation of Alendale Road between 104 Street and 106 Street.

New projects in 2014 include the 102 Avenue over Groat Road Bridge replacement and 112 Avenue reconstruction between 50 Street and 60 Street. Other projects continuing in 2014 include the Walderdale Bridge replacement project, QEII/41 Avenue SW interchange and Guardian Road/Lewis Estates Boulevard.

"With more than 125 projects identified, citizens can expect a lot of road construction this year," said Mayor Iveson. "This is an exciting time. We appreciate everyone's patience during construction season and ask that everyone keep safe by obeying speed limits and watching for workers in construction zones."

On April 15, City Council allocated an extra \$27 million to address additional arterial roadway and neighbourhood roads in 2014 and 2015. Additional paving locations are currently being identified and will be announced later this spring.

Work on roads means traffic closures and detours. Drivers should expect significant traffic impacts during this construction season, such as the eastbound lane of 63 Avenue, which will close Sunday, May 4.

The City recommends that drivers find out where construction will be happening on their routes to and from work and familiarize themselves with closures and detours. Traffic and road project details are available online at [edmonton.ca/roadprojects](http://edmonton.ca/roadprojects).

All road project locations are available at [edmonton.ca/constructiononyourstreets](http://edmonton.ca/constructiononyourstreets).

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