

Public Service Announcement

April 30, 2015 City of Edmonton

Groat Road closed next two weekends

Removal of damaged girders to proceed

After careful evaluation, the City of Edmonton and its contractors on the 102 Avenue Bridge Replacement Project have determined that three girders (4, 5 and 6) must be removed for repair or replacement. Girders #1, 2 and 3 do not appear to have been damaged when the other girders buckled during installation on March 16 and will remain in place. Girder #7 was not damaged but must also be moved in order for crews to safely access the other girders.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 1 and continuing until 6 a.m. on Monday, May 4, Groat Road will be completely closed to traffic between 107 Avenue and River Valley Road as the removal of the first two girders proceeds. A second closure will take place from 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 8 until 6 a.m. on Monday, May 11 during which time the other two girders will be removed.

The three damaged girders will be returned to the manufacturer. Adecision about whether each of the girders can be repaired or must be replaced will depend on further analysis. Ateam of structural engineers will make the final determination.

Parking will be banned along the east side of 116 Street between 100 Avenue and Jasper Avenue for both weekends. Parking on 109 Street between 99 Avenue and 102 Avenue will also be banned during the weekend of May 8 to 11 only. There will be no access to the multi-use path adjacent to Groat Road during the closures.

The City appreciates the continued patience and understanding of Edmonton residents as we work to resolve the 102 Ave Bridge situation.

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