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Water main replacement to close lane for six months *Caution urged along South Murphy Road construction site*

MURPHY (November 3, 2021) Crews working to replace a critically important water main along the northbound side of South Murphy Road will intermittently close the inside lane from Briar Oak St. to FM 544 starting later this month.

Officially called the South Murphy Road Asbestos Cement Waterline Replacement project, the work will start on Nov. 11 and is expected to last some six months, depending on the weather.

While water service is not expected to be interrupted for residents in the area, there will likely be some traffic congestion and delays because of the work.

The project will affect the lane closest to the median along the three-quarter-mile stretch of South Murphy Road from Briar Oak St. to FM 544, among the highest volume streets in Murphy. For this reason, City officials are encouraging commuters to plan their routes with the construction in mind.

Motorists may elect to start their commutes earlier or later, depending on the time of day. Alternatively, taking different routes to avoid the area completely may be preferable for commuters who want to minimize delays. The southbound lanes of South Murphy Road will not be affected.

The project is necessary to replace 3,500 feet of an 8-inch water main, increasing the reliability of water service, improving water flow throughout the system, and addressing the potential of main breaks due to the age of the existing main, the wear due to water pressure, and the life of the existing pipe material.

Construction is under the direction of Murphy Pipeline Contractors, LLC.

Questions and comments may be directed to Public Services Executive Administrative Assistant Bryce Gullatt at bgullatt@murphytx.org or by calling 972-468-4378.

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 20,010, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income well above the state average. With more than 80 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a family-oriented community with a strong sense of place. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.