



## Community Update – September 2023

### St. Roch Drainage Upgrades

The \$18.5M **St. Roch Drainage Upgrades** is an infrastructure project with the City of New Orleans' Department of Public Works and Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans. This project is intended to help alleviate flooding by increasing the capacity of subsurface drainage between local streets and trunk lines as well as by using green infrastructure options which may include retention/detention basins, street basins, rain gardens, and street-side bioswales. Once complete, residents will experience an overall improved quality of life as the project will improve subsurface drainage capacity between local streets and trunk lines and install green infrastructure such as retention/detention basins and bioswales.

We recognize that temporary inconveniences do tend to accompany infrastructure upgrades and we are grateful for your continued patience. The following is an update and path forward on completing this project by the anticipated Fall 2024 end date.

#### 30-Day Forecast

The Department of Public Works (DPW) and Command Construction Industries, LLC. have completed repairs to the water lines and watermain on N. Villere and will be finishing water testing on the side streets by the end of September. Command has begun construction of sewer lines upgrades on Arts and Music; a total of three crews will be working on sewer upgrades across the following blocks in the coming 30-days:

- **2200-2500 BLOCKS OF NORTH VILLERE ST**
- **1300-1400 MARIIGNY ST**
- **1300-1400 MANDEVILLE ST**
- **1300-1400 SPAIN ST**
- **1300-1400 MUSIC ST**
- **1300-1400 ARTS ST**

This work is part of the FEMA funded Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)'s Leveraged Gray / Green Infrastructure projects and is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2024. The scope of work varies block by block but includes the following:

- Replacement of damaged underground water, sewer and drainage lines;
- Repaving the roadways;
- Replacing damaged sidewalks and driveway aprons; and
- Installing Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant curb ramps at intersections.

#### How to Stay Informed

Questions about this project may be directed to [roadwork@nola.gov](mailto:roadwork@nola.gov) or to our RoadworkNOLA hotline 504.658.ROAD (7623) or **sign up for RoadworkNOLA text alerts by texting ROADWORK to 77295, or go to [ready.nola.gov/alerts](https://ready.nola.gov/alerts) to create a whole profile and select the "roadwork" alert list.**