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Public Service Announcement

Repairs to the Blue Lake Road and Green Lake Road are taking longer than anticipated and thus the roads will remain **closed to ALL public access (pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular traffic).** When the public stays out of the way of our contractor our community costs for this project remain low. Our best estimate of the re-openings are as follows:

- Green Lake Road is **expected to reopen to public pedestrian access by December 5**th.
- Blue Lake Road is **expected to reopen to public pedestrian access by** December 14th.

These Extensive Road Repairs are being primarily funded by the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) as repairs from the 2015 Landslide. These repairs will allow the Electric Department to complete the dam overlook project which will lead to a re-opening of public vehicle access to Blue Lake sometime next summer. This closure is meant to ensure the safety of the public while large construction equipment is working on the narrow roads. Again, this closure applies 7 days a week and to all pedestrian traffic including bicycles. For additional information please contact the Electric Department at 747-4000.