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Traffic Alert South Rillito Interceptor Sewer Rehabilitation Project

This is the first in a series of traffic alerts that will be issued throughout the construction of the South Rillito Interceptor (SRI), Sewer Rehabilitation Project. These alerts will announce construction, detour and street closure information as it affects traffic.

The SRI is a major sewer line that runs along the south side of the Rillito River. This portion of the rehabilitation project is 3.9 miles long and begins in an area near Columbus Boulevard and Deer Dancer Way and continues west along the south bank of the Rillito River to Tucson Blvd.

Pima County and its contractor, KE&G Construction, Inc. have begun construction on the first phase of the SRI rehabilitation project which is bounded on the east by Columbus Boulevard, the north by the Rillito River, the south by Ft. Lowell Road, and on the west by Alvernon Way. The work for phase one is scheduled to continue through May 2014.

- During the week of March 2, 2014, crews will begin removing landscaping, handrail, sidewalk and the median along a portion of Deer Dancer Way. This work is in preparation of traffic being shifted to the north side of the roadway to allow crews and equipment to complete work on a sewer manhole located in the area.
- Two-way travel on Deer Dancer Way will be maintained
- The landscaping, handrail, sidewalk and median will be replaced when the work is completed.
- Motorists, pedestrians and bicyclist should watch for large equipment and workers in the area.
- Beginning the week of March 17, 2014, the intersection of Paradise Falls and Columbus Boulevard will be closed to bicyclist and motorists. The closure will be in place for approximately three weeks.

The contractor has also begun work on the installation of the sewer bypass system that will be in place during the sewer pipe rehabilitation work. The rehabilitation process chosen for this project is known as cured in place pipe (CIPP). This process uses a resin impregnated felt liner that is forced into the sewer line (54" and 48") and heat cured, therefore, lining the existing sewer line with a completely new pipe.

During this project motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists should watch for;

- Changes in traffic control
- Heavy construction traffic
- Sewer bypass equipment

For additional information or to view detailed maps of the area, visit <u>www.sewerimprovements.info</u>. You can also call the information line at 520-622-2527.