



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW  
Bears paw South Feeder Main construction  
Stage B - 34 Avenue N.W.

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# Information package for residents on 34 Avenue N.W.

The City of Calgary is moving quickly to build a new feeder main parallel to the existing Bears paw South Feeder Main (BSFM). Despite urgent reinforcement work, the existing BSFM remains in critical condition and could fail again. The new steel feeder main, expected to be completed by the end of 2026, will help support a reliable and safe drinking water supply for Calgarians and our regional customers.

Stage A construction is underway from the Shaganappi Pump Station to 73 Street N.W. on the west side of the Bow River. Stage B construction is planned to begin the week of May 11, 2026, using an open-cut method to install the pipe under 34 Avenue N.W. from 73 Street N.W. to 89 Street N.W.

You are receiving this information package now as construction will begin on your block in about two weeks. This package provides you with important information about the construction.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to safely deliver this important infrastructure project.

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## Construction Method

The City is using an open-cut construction method for the pipe installation under 34 Avenue N.W. This means that construction crews will dig a trench, install the new pipe, backfill the trench, and restore the surface to at least its original state.

Construction takes place in the public right-of-way (see [About Rights-of-Way](#) on page 8). If there are potential construction impacts to your yard, we will notify you in advance, and all yards will be restored with similar materials (See [Trees and landscaping](#) on page 9).

## Construction hours

Construction crews will work from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., six days a week and Sundays as required. Work outside these hours may be required periodically due to project needs. Construction is not currently planned for Sundays; however, work will occur when necessary due to traffic needs, schedule changes or weather requirements.



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### Construction sequencing

Construction will happen in one-block sections at various points along 34 Avenue N.W. from 73 Street N.W. to 89 Street N.W. between May and November. Separate construction crews will work on each block — sequencing was determined based on project needs and construction efficiency.

Work on each block will take about 10-12 weeks to complete and each block will be restored as the open cut trenches are backfilled. If there are disruptions to residential yards, they will also be restored using similar materials (see [Trees and landscaping](#) on page 9).

On the next four pages, you will find:

- A table and a map outlining approximate construction dates and sequencing for each block.
- Two maps illustrating intersection impacts at 77 Street N.W. & 33 Avenue N.W. and 83 Street N.W. & 33 Avenue N.W.

**NOTE: The schedule may change due to weather and project needs.**

Timing (approximate)	Work Area by Street
May-June	Cross tie - 77 Street & 83 Street N.W. between 33 and 34 Avenue
June-August	79 Street to 80 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
June-August	85 Street to 86 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
June-September	86 Street to 87 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
June-September	73 Street N.W. between Bonita Crescent and 34 Avenue N.W.
July-September	80 Street to 81 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
July-August	73 Street to Bonita Crescent N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
August-October	89 Street N.W. between 33 and 34 Avenue N.W.



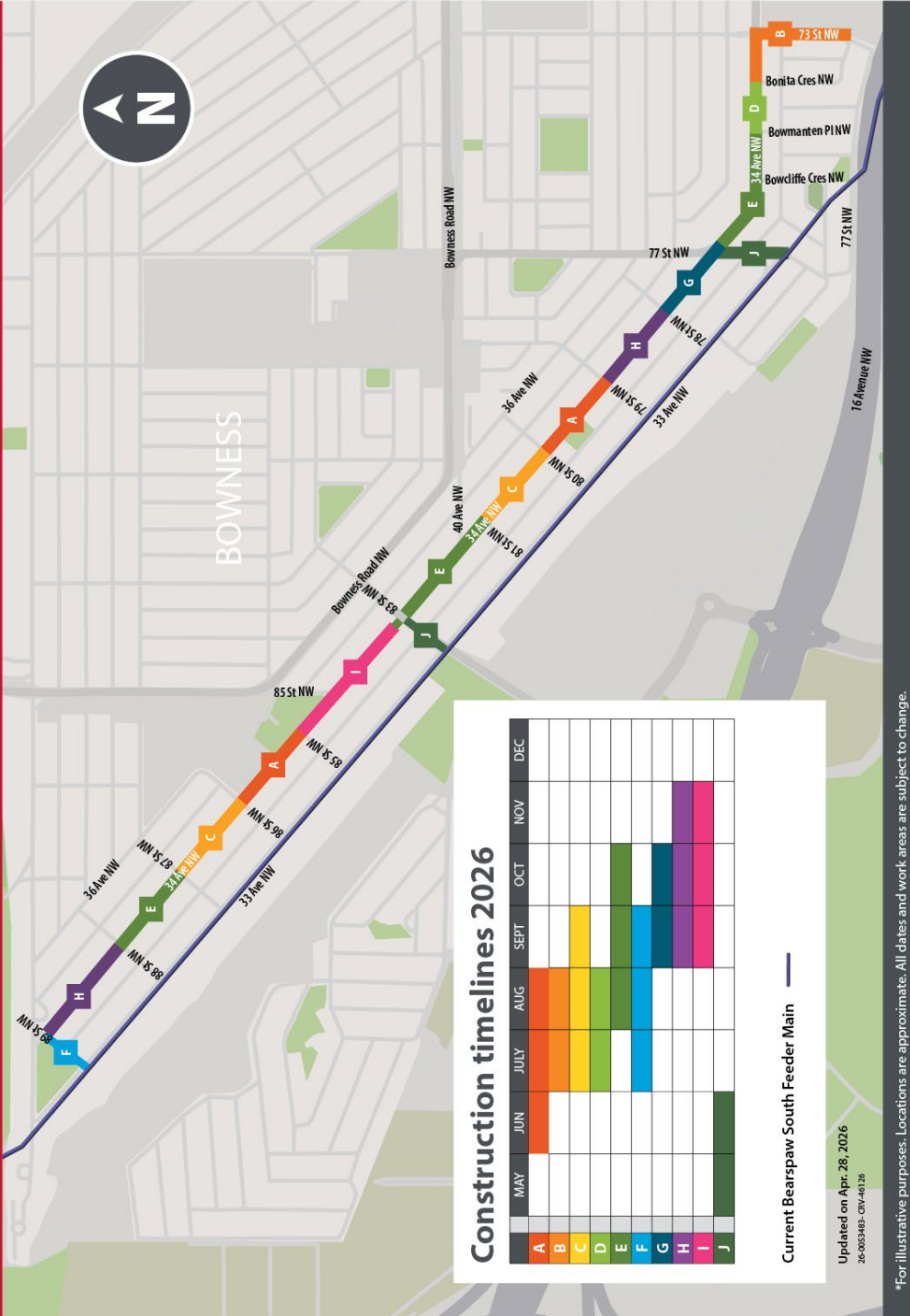
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Timing (approximate)	Work Area by Street
August-October	Bonita Crescent to Bowmanten Place N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
August-October	81 Street to 83 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
August-October	Bowmanten Place to 77 Street N.W. 34 Avenue N.W.
August-October	87 Street to 88 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
September-October	77 Street to 78 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
September-November	88 Street to 89 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
September-November	78 Street to 79 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
September-November	83 Street to 85 Street N.W. on 34 Avenue N.W.
October-November	33 Avenue and 89 Street N.W. Intersection
October-November	89 Street N.W. Intersection



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Bearspaw South Feeder Main Stage B construction schedule



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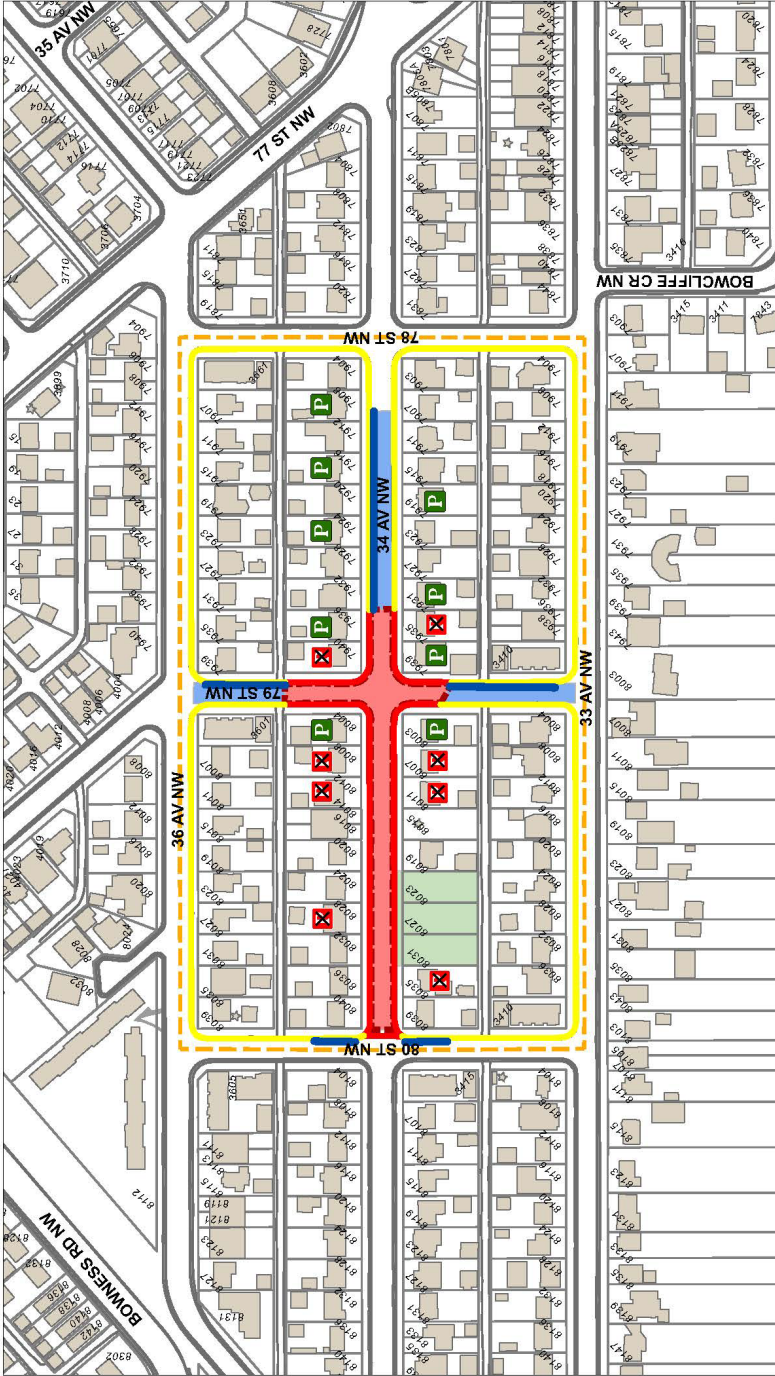
#### Construction maps



### Bears paw South Feeder Main Construction Map

79 ST NW to 80 ST NW on 34 AV NW

Beginning June 2026



Date Printed: May 19, 2026

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Timelines and construction map details subject to change  
ISC: Unrehearsed

**Legend**

- No Driveway Parking
- Driveway Parking Permitted
- Local Traffic Only, No Thru Traffic
- Pedestrian Route
- Traffic Detour (2 Way Traffic)
- Excavation Fencing
- Road Closed
- Park
- Curb & Gutter
- Pathway Stairs
- Sidewalk/Pathway
- Sidewalk Closed



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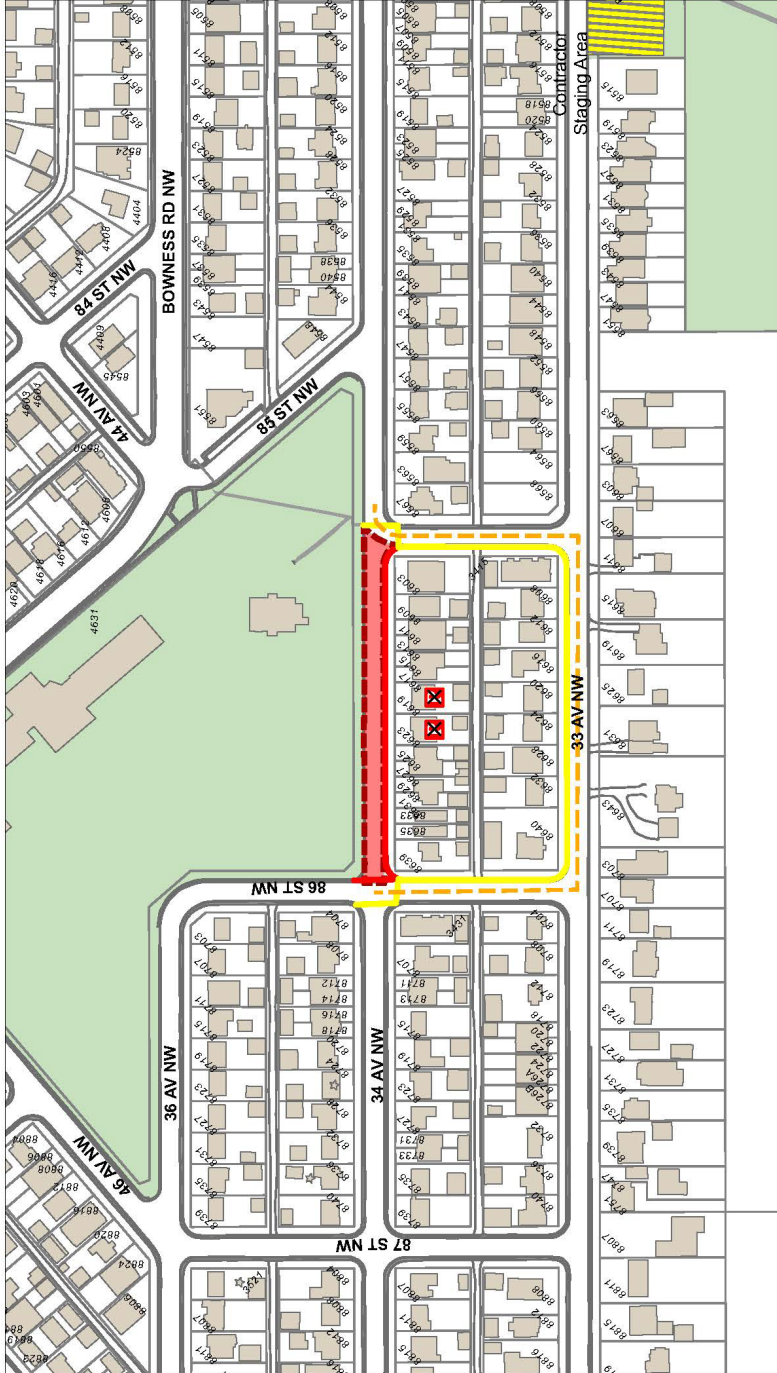
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### Bears paw South Feeder Main Construction Map

#### 85 ST NW to 86 ST NW on 34 AV NW

Beginning June 2026



Date Printed: April 30, 2026

Meters  
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Timelines and construction map details subject to change  
ISC: Unrestricted

Legend

- No Driveaway Parking
- Sidewalk, Closed
- Pedestrian Route
- Traffic Debour (2-Way Traffic)
- Excavation Fencing
- Road Closed
- Contractor Staging Area
- Curb & Gutter
- Pathway Stairs
- Sidewalk/Pathway
- Park



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### About rights-of-way

The public right-of-way is an area that gives The City space to do things like install street light poles and plant trees. This space also gives shallow utilities (like gas, power, and telecommunications companies) a place to build and maintain their critical infrastructure. The space the right-of-way takes up in your yard will vary by community. The public right-of-way often extends beyond the paved road and sidewalks and can include areas that look like part of a private yard.

For more information on rights-of-way, visit [calgary.ca/utilities/rights-of-way](http://calgary.ca/utilities/rights-of-way)

### Residential impacts

The following information identifies the impacts residents may experience.

#### Daily living

- Noise, dust, and vibration will occur during construction activities. Vibrations from this type of construction are not anticipated to exceed acceptable levels and should not negatively impact properties nearby. Vibrations are being monitored, and it is normal for residents to feel some vibration.
- Construction crews will work from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., six days a week and Sundays as required, on blocks where construction is in progress (see [Construction hours](#) on page 2).
- Heavy equipment and construction vehicles will be moving to and from the site throughout the project.
- If you have a pet that is sensitive to loud noises, speak to your veterinarian and read this web resource for valuable tips for pet owners: [www.aaha.org/resources/safe-and-sound-noise-aversion-in-pets/](http://www.aaha.org/resources/safe-and-sound-noise-aversion-in-pets/)

#### Properties

- There will be limited or no front access from the roadway during open cut construction; alleys will remain open for residential access. Your City Construction Liaison will be in the community door knocking in advance of construction. If you have questions, please email [BSFMproject@calgary.ca](mailto:BSFMproject@calgary.ca) or [CBR@calgary.ca](mailto:CBR@calgary.ca), call 311 and ask to speak to your liaison, or visit the Community Resource Centre at 7904 43 Ave. N.W. (see [Have questions? Need additional support?](#) on page 12).



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- Water outages are NOT planned or expected, but short shutoffs may occur when making pipe connections or when connecting to temporary water systems. If this is required in your area, you will receive advanced notice of temporary water being provided.

#### Mail and deliveries

- We are working closely with Canada Post to support continued mail delivery in the area. Mail delivery may be adjusted, such as postal carriers walking across lawns when sidewalks are closed.
- When placing orders for goods, services and take-out food, advise the service provider about street closures and lack of on-street parking. Provide alternative routes (such as back-alley access) if possible or have deliveries made to an alternate address.

#### Streets and sidewalks

- Road closures, traffic detours, and restricted street parking will be in effect (see [Alternate vehicle parking](#) on page 10).
- Sidewalk closures and detours will be in effect and will be clearly marked.
- Construction areas will be fenced-off for safety.

#### Trees and landscaping

During Stage B construction, some trees and shrubs in and near the public right-of-way may be affected.

The public right-of-way often extends beyond the paved road and can include areas that look like part of a private yard. Ahead of construction, our team conducted a detailed inventory and health assessment of all trees and shrubs within the public right-of-way, including those nearby or overhanging into the right-of-way.

#### What to expect:

- Tree pruning may be needed where branches extend into the public right-of-way.
- Trees that are in poor condition, or that would be negatively impacted by construction, may need to be trimmed or removed.
- All trimming and removals will be completed only when needed and as construction moves from one work area to the next. This approach helps minimize unnecessary impacts.



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#### How work will be done:

- If a tree on or near your property is impacted, a member of our team will contact you directly.
- All tree work will be carried out by qualified City arborists or professional tree removal contractors.

#### Replacement and compensation:

- We are committed to repurposing and replanting trees whenever possible.
- In the unlikely event that a privately planted tree on your property outside of the Right of Way must be removed, you may be eligible for compensation.
- All landscaping restorations are covered by a two-year warranty (two growing seasons).

#### Alternate vehicle parking

During construction on your block you will not be able to park on your street, in front of your home or in your front driveway if you have one. Many residents who currently park on the street or in a driveway will need to park in the alley behind their homes or on adjacent streets. We need to work together to ensure essential services are not disrupted.

#### Your safety is important to us:

To improve safety and to help people navigate at night when walking and parking in the back alley, The City is installing lighting. If the lighting is not effective in your area, please contact us (see [Have questions? Need additional support?](#) on page 12) and we will do our best to adjust the lighting. City Security will also patrol the area 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

#### Alley parking:

The Parking Bylaw regulates parking and Waste & Recycling Services have requirements for garbage collection. These bylaws and requirements are in place to ensure services continue uninterrupted. This will include being mindful of the following:

- **Parking near an alley entrance:** Please help keep entrances to alleys clear. Park your car at least 5 metres (16 ft) away from an alley entrance. Garbage trucks require a wide turning radius due to their large size. They need enough room to enter and exit the alley.
- **Parking at the end of an alley:** Keep vehicles away from the end of a closed alley or within a turnaround area. These turnaround areas are designed for large vehicles to turn around safely.

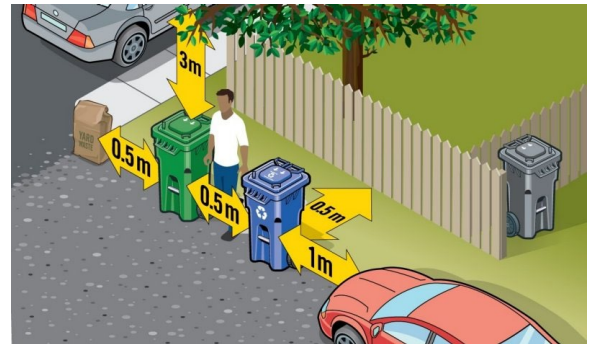


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- **Garbage bins:** Make sure there's at least 1 metre (3 ft.) of space between any vehicle and the closest cart. This is to give enough clearance for the collection trucks.
- **Alley width:** Alleys must be at least 6.1 meters wide to allow for proper vehicle passage.
- **Passing space:** You must leave at least 3 meters of width for other vehicles to pass you.
- **Garages:** Make sure there's at least 5 metres of space between your vehicle and a garage entrance.



Residents and visitors should adhere to these regulations to avoid fines and ensure public service operate efficiently.

#### Adjacent street parking:

Some people don't use their vehicles every day or may go away and leave their vehicle on the street. When you park in front of your own home, your neighbours probably know the vehicle is yours. But on an adjacent street it may look unfamiliar to residents, and if left too long, may appear abandoned. Keep the following parking regulations in mind:

- **72-hour rule:** A vehicle can be considered abandoned if it is not moved within 72 hours. If a complaint is made to The City, abandoned vehicles may be tagged and later towed if not moved. Citizens sometimes make complaints due to concerns that an unfamiliar vehicle has been stolen and abandoned.
- **Garbage bins:** The same clearance rules for alleys apply to streets. Make sure there's at least 1 metre (3 ft.) of space between any vehicle and the closest cart.
- **Driveway and garage clearance:** Make sure there's at least 5 metres of space between your vehicle and a garage or driveway entrance.
- **Excavation clearance:** If you are parking near the construction, make sure there is enough room for vehicles, including construction vehicles, to move around you.



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## What is NOT impacted

The following information clarifies areas that are NOT impacted and what services will continue without interruption.

- No construction will take place in alleys. Alley garages will remain accessible.
- Waste and recycling pickup will continue in back alleys.
- Electricity and internet service will not be impacted.

## Emergency Services

- The City is working closely with emergency services (such as the Calgary Fire Department and Emergency Health Services) to help ensure these services can operate as usual.
- As with any construction project or road closure, emergency services plan alternate response routes in advance and make contingency plans to minimize any impacts to response times.
- Fire hydrants will remain accessible.

## Have questions? Need additional support?

We understand that construction will be especially challenging for some individuals and families living on or near 34 Avenue N.W. We are committed to supporting residents who may need extra consideration during this time. This may include but is not limited to persons with disabilities, mobility challenges, cognitive or sensory needs, or health conditions that could be affected by construction activity.

If you would like to discuss your specific needs or explore available support options, we encourage you to contact the Community Resource Centre team. Team members are available to listen and to help identify appropriate options and supports can be tailored to individual needs.

Whether you have construction questions, or want to discuss specific challenges, you can reach us in the following ways:

- **In person:** Visit the Bearspaw South Feeder Main Community Resource Centre (CRC) at the Bowness Community Association, 7904 43 Ave. N.W. The Centre is open:
  - Monday and Wednesday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
  - Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.



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- **Construction Liaisons:** Two Construction Liaisons are assigned to this project to support people impacted by construction. They are also on-site at the CRC (Bowness Community Association) on Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

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Phone: 403-371-3656

**Chris McGeachy**

Email: [christopher.mcgeachy@calgary.ca](mailto:christopher.mcgeachy@calgary.ca)

Phone: 403-826-0100

- **Email:** Contact the team at [BSFMproject@calgary.ca](mailto:BSFMproject@calgary.ca) Share your needs or questions, and they will follow up directly.
- **Call 311** and ask to be contacted by a member of the project team.
- **Online:** Visit [calgary.ca/BearspawFeederMain](http://calgary.ca/BearspawFeederMain) for up-to-date information about construction.

Here you will find:

- The [Resident Contact Information Form](#) and we encourage you to sign up to receive timely updates
- All past construction notices
- Links to past E-newsletters
- Past information session recordings for viewing
- Traffic impacts
- Community links and resources related to construction in the area.