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Streetcar work accelerates in Downtown, requiring new lane restrictions, street closures

EL PASO, Texas — As work associated with the El Paso Streetcar Project accelerates in Downtown El Paso, commuters will encounter new lane restrictions on Kansas Street and Wyoming Avenue and a new complete closure of Oregon Street next week.

WYOMING AVENUE BETWEEN SANTA FE STREET AND KANSAS STREET

Beginning on **Monday, August 8, 2016**, one lane of Wyoming Avenue will be closed between Santa Fe Street and Kansas Street for underground utility work. This lane restriction will impact motorists who use Exit 19/Downtown from eastbound Interstate 10. Motorists are encouraged to consider alternate routes into Downtown including Exit 18B/Porfirio Diaz Street.

KANSAS STREET BETWEEN FRANKLIN AVENUE AND SAN ANTONIO AVENUE

Beginning on **Tuesday, August 9, 2016**, Kansas Street will be reduced to two lanes between Franklin Avenue and San Antonio Avenue. This closure is necessary as crews work on foundations for the Overhead Contact System which will power the streetcars. Motorists who use Exit 19B/Downtown from westbound I-10 to access El Paso City Hall, the El Paso County Courthouse, and other downtown offices should consider alternate routes such as Exit 20/Cotton Street or César Chávez Border Highway (Loop 375) into Downtown.

OREGON STREET BETWEEN MISSOURI AVENUE AND WYOMING AVENUE

Beginning on **Wednesday, August 10, 2016**, Oregon Street will be closed to all traffic between Missouri Avenue and Wyoming Avenue for utility work. Marked detours will be in place to assist motorists as they avoid this closure. Alternate routes include Mesa Street and Campbell Street. Lane restrictions which are currently in place within this block are not related to the El Paso Streetcar Project.

STANTON STREET BETWEEN MISSOURI AVENUE AND WYOMING AVENUE

Stanton Street remains closed to all traffic between Missouri Avenue and Wyoming Avenue for utility work. As part of this closure, lane restrictions will remain in place along Missouri Avenue at Stanton Street for utility work. Motorists who use Exit 19B/Downtown from westbound I-10 are encouraged to consider alternate routes such as Exit 20/Cotton Street or César Chávez Border Highway (Loop 375) into Downtown.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS AT OTHER LOCATIONS

As work continues through the 4.8 mile route, the following traffic impacts will remain in place during the week of August 8:

Complete Closures:

- Santa Fe Street between Third Avenue and Father Rahm Avenue (weeknights 6 p.m. to 4 a.m.)
- Kansas Street between Paisano Drive and Father Rahm Avenue (including intersections)
- Father Rahm Avenue between Kansas Street and Santa Fe Street (excluding intersections)
- Crosby Avenue between Oregon Street and Stanton Street (excluding intersections)
- Oregon Street between Schuster Avenue and Glory Road (open to northbound traffic only)
- Hauge Road west of Oregon Street
- Rim Road west of Oregon Street

Lane Restrictions

- Santa Fe Street between Franklin Avenue and Loop 375

- Oregon Street between Yandell Drive and Schuster Avenue
- Franklin Avenue at Oregon Street
- Oregon Street at Father Rahm Avenue
- Campbell Street at First Avenue

WEATHER IMPACTS

Much of the work associated with the El Paso Streetcar Project cannot be completed during or immediately following heavy rain. As monsoon moisture moves into the Desert Southwest, occasional unanticipated changes in scheduled construction activities may take place.

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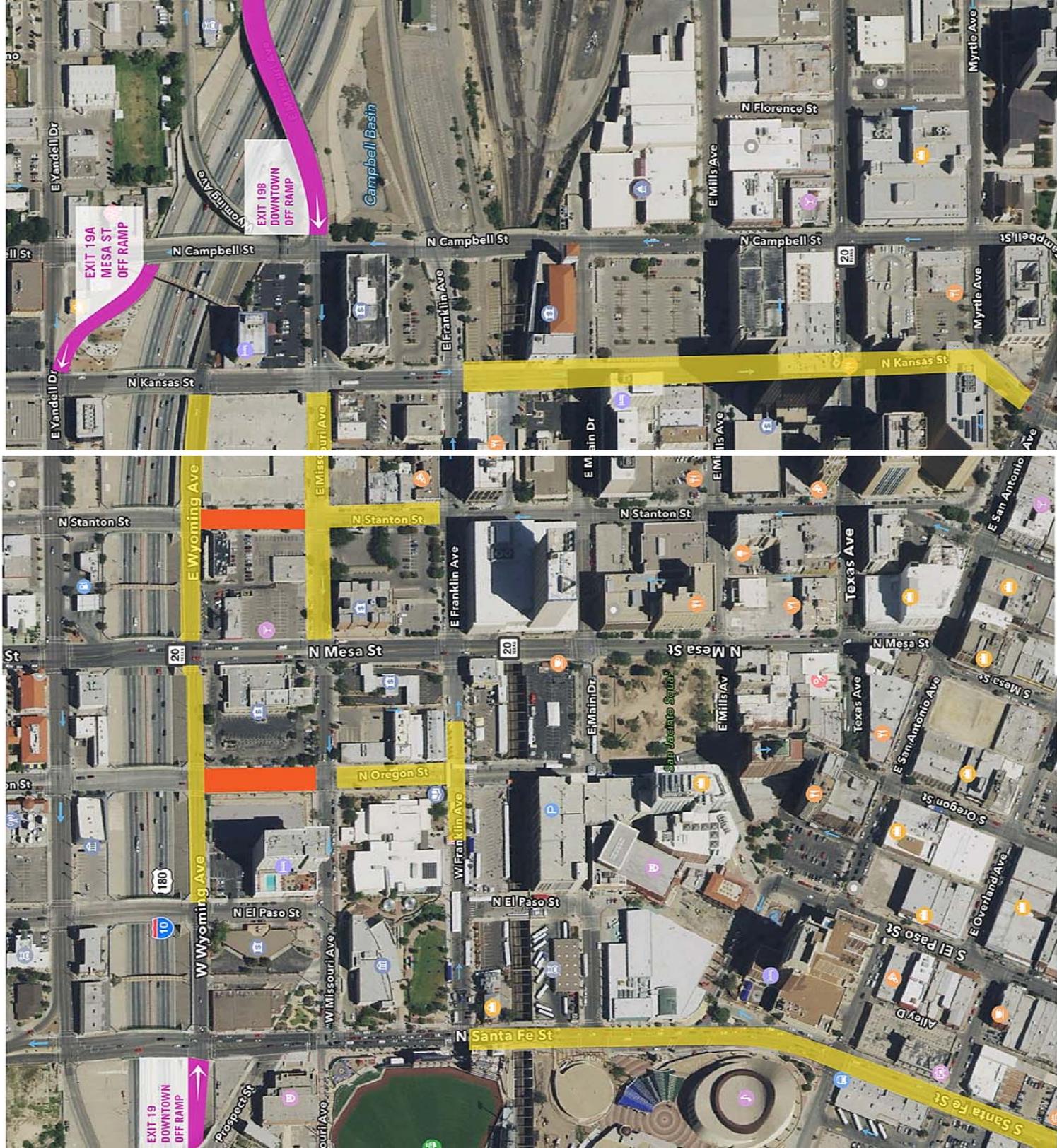
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- Like the El Paso Streetcar on Facebook and Instagram.
- Call the bilingual project information line: (844) 252-RAIL.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The CRRMA is tasked with constructing the project, using Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) funding and a design provided by The City of El Paso (City). Once operational, the City's Mass Transit Department (Sun Metro) will operate and maintain the Streetcars and associated facilities. The CRRMA will place track over a 4.8-mile route, adding 27 stops and a maintenance and storage facility. The route will be serviced by Presidents' Conference Committee (PCC) streetcar vehicles – the same vehicles that ran on El Paso streets until 1974. The route runs in two loops, connecting the international bridges, retail areas, government buildings, convention center and downtown ballpark with the medical center, University of Texas at El Paso and several historic neighborhoods.

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 Lane Restrictions

 Street Closures