

2020 Mill and Overlay Project Update



June 5, 2020

Phase 1 – Jefferson Road and Heritage Drive

All major construction work is complete. Remaining work includes striping the road lanes and planting trees. No schedule has been for sure determined for either of these items but planting of replacement trees is tentatively being planned to be done in the fall, while striping within the next month.

Phase 2 – Seventh Street and Eighth Street

All major construction work is complete. Remaining work includes striping the road lanes and planting trees. No schedule has been for sure determined for either of these items but planting of replacement trees is tentatively being planned to be done in the fall, while striping within the next month.

Phase 3 – Carleton College East Area

Sod restoration crews were on site throughout the past week, finishing placing the new sod in areas damaged due to construction. See page below for helpful information and tips to help guarantee sod growth. Road crews finished milling the top two inches of asphalt by the middle of the week. By the end of the week, paving crews began paving the top two inches of asphalt wear course back on the street.

At the beginning of next week, patching crews will finish repairing major cracks or other issues in the base course of the asphalt. Towards the end of the week, paving crews will also finish paving the top two inches of asphalt wear course back on the street. Once paving is substantially complete, remaining work includes striping the road/bike lanes, and planting trees. No schedule has been for sure determined for either of these items but planting of replacement trees is tentatively being planned to be done in the fall, while striping within the next month.

Phases 4 – Carleton College West Area

Sod restoration crews were on site throughout the past week, finishing placing the new sod in areas damaged due to construction. See page below for helpful information and tips to help guarantee sod growth. Road crews finished milling the top two inches of asphalt by the end of the week. Also, near the end of the week, patching crews began repairing major cracks or other issues in the base course of the asphalt.

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For additional information regarding the project, please visit the Project website:
<https://www.ci.northfield.mn.us/1313/2020-Mill-and-Overlay-Project>

Questions/Concerns?

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Brian Schmit.

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New Sod Information and Tips

As new sod is being installed, we ask your help to ensure the sod survives. The following guidelines will help:

- **MOWING** – Please do not mow for at least three weeks. The leaf blades are all that remain for the plant to live. Do not cut what is left of the grass because it may not come back.

After three weeks set the mower deck at least 3 inches high or at the highest setting. Do not cut more than half the plant off at a time, and do not mow during hot weather. It is better to have long green grass than short brown dirt. Please cut your new sod at this height for the remainder of the year.

- **WATERING** – The contractor will water as needed during the warranty period for the sod. Even during this time, if you notice the sod is drying out, please feel free to water it as appropriate. Water, Water, Water!

You will be responsible for watering and maintenance of your new sod after the warranty period. New sod roots can take over a year to reach full length. It is recommended that the new sod get at least 2 inches of water per week in three or four applications. To check if you are watering enough, place a shallow, flat bottomed container under the sprinkler. Measure the water depth in the container and use this information to determine the appropriate length of time needed to achieve the desired amount of watering.

- **FERTILIZING** – Your new sod was fertilized where it was grown; therefore, it will not need fertilizer until next spring. If you fertilize too soon you risk killing the sod.

- **WARRANTY PERIOD** - The warranty period for the sod placed in front of your house will last 30 growing days from the date of installation. After this warranty period, care and survival of the sod will be the property owner's responsibility. All sod issues must be reported to Brian Schmit within the warranty period.

Following these steps will restore your lawn to its prior beauty as quickly as possible. Please contact Brian Schmit at brian.schmit@bolton-menk.com or 612-368-1228 with any questions or concerns.