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Town set to close part of Coleman St. for the summer Stretch between Prosper Trail and Talon Lane to reopen in August

PROSPER (June 3, 2015) Starting next school year, the road to Prosper High School will be smoother, slightly wider and less susceptible to water inundation, says Prosper's Senior Engineer Matt Richardson.

"A summer-long project starts on June 6 that will substantially upgrade Coleman Street," he said. "From Prosper Trail northward to Talon Lane, Coleman will be completed reconstructed, removing the asphalt and replacing it with concrete. Plus, the roadside ditches will be replaced by an underground drainage system."

Saturday, June 6, the \$2.4 million project will enter a new phase, closing the mile-long stretch of road completely until mid-August. While summer classes at Prosper High School will be in session, the volume of traffic during the summer months will be significantly lower, causing the least amount of disruption on this highly-traveled thoroughfare. Initial work on the project began in April.

"Students and parents needing to get to Prosper High School during the summer can take Frontier Parkway off of the recently-reconstructed Preston Road," said Richardson. "In fact, Preston Road is the primary detour for the duration of the construction."

While allowing limited traffic on Coleman Street during construction was considered, doing so would have lengthened the project's construction period, increased the project's cost, and would possibly impede movement of motorists and contractor equipment. "Getting the work done in a timely manner with the least overall disruption was our focus," he added.

In addition to the new roadway, a traffic signal will be added to the intersection of Coleman Street and Prosper Trail, increasing the safety and efficiency of vehicular movement through that intersection.

Tiseo Paving, which has a favorable track record with street reconstruction in Prosper, is the primary contractor.

Toward the end of this project, preliminary work will begin on the extension of Coleman Street in an easterly direction to Preston Road after it curves in front of Prosper High School. The extension is expected to be complete by the end of 2015.

The \$1.3 million extension will provide new access to Prosper High School and current and future adjoining neighborhoods and residential subdivisions.

Collin County is participating in the financing of the overall project by contributing \$1.4 million.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 15,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."