

RECONNECTING

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ONE MOBILE: RECONNECTING PEOPLE, WORK AND PLAY
THROUGH COMPLETE STREETS

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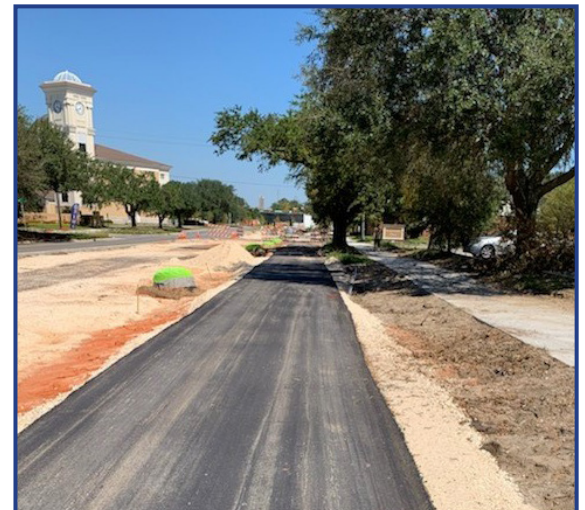
Welcome to the ninth edition of the Revitalizing Broad Street Improvement Project's **RECONNECTING** newsletter. In this issue, you will find news on what is happening now and what comes next, as well as the information on bike lanes.

BROAD STREET BIKE LANES

Trading vehicles for bicycles is about to become easier for City of Mobile residents. Bike lanes are taking shape along Broad Street, and construction crews are building up the lanes this fall. A [2014 US Census Report](#) indicates that the number of people traveling to work by bike increased roughly 60 percent over the last decade, from about 488,000 in 2000 to about 786,000 during 2008-2012.

The Mobile area has several bicycle and walking trails. These include, Chickasabogue Park, Glen Sebastian Nature Trail, Medal of Honor Park, Midtown-Downtown, Three Mile Creek Trail and USA Mountain Bike Trails. The addition of bike lanes along the Broad Street Corridor Project will further accommodate cyclists and encourage this healthy transportation mode.

These bike lanes in the Broad Street Corridor Project add value for Mobile's citizens, giving them the option to choose their transportation and consider what is good for the environment and physical health.



Bicyclists and drivers need to know the rules of the roadway. For information on how to share the road and other safety protocols, visit [Drive Safe Alabama](#).

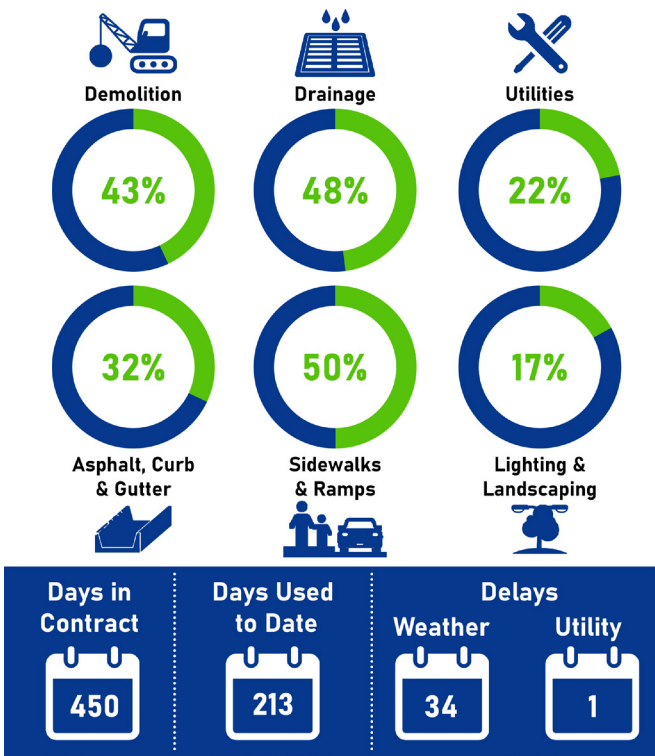
Alabama has a goal Toward Zero Deaths over a 25-year period. It all starts with you!

WHAT TO EXPECT

BROAD STREET: The contractor will place crushed aggregate base on the northbound lanes between Lawrence and St. Anthony streets. Once the crushed aggregate is placed, the binder courses of asphalt will be installed, allowing traffic the use of the northbound lanes. [Read about pavement layers here.](#)

ROUNDAABOUT: Three types of curb will be used for the roundabout. Placement of the type N curb, which separates the roundabout's landscaped center from the brick pavers, atop the truck apron, will be completed soon. Crews will then proceed to the type G mountable curb at the inside of the travel lane and finally the type A curb at the outside edge of the travel lane.

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PROJECT NEWS

- Crews are adding curbs and driveways along North Broad Street between Lawrence and St. Anthony streets. They have built the bike lane and are beginning to bring up the base of the travel lanes.
- Landscaping is an ongoing effort along North Broad Street, with crews adding topsoil to newly constructed medians with irrigation systems in place.

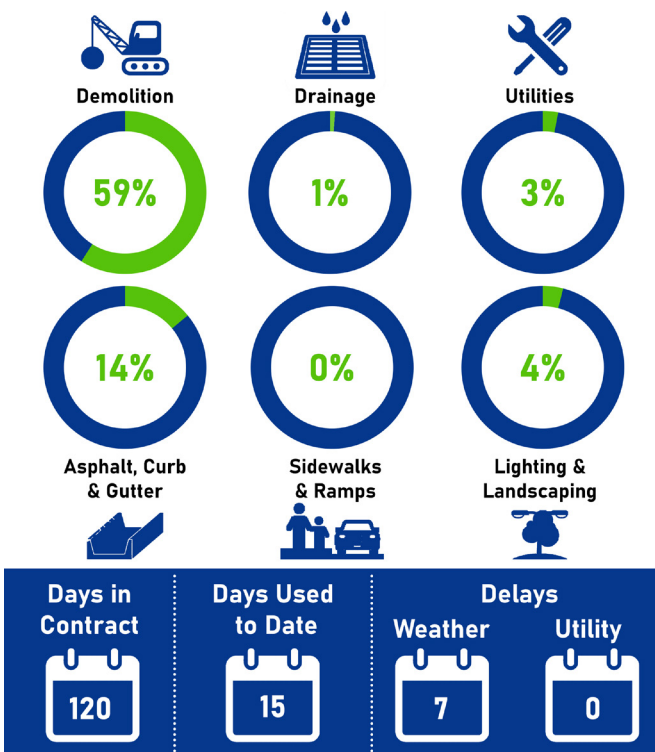


Crews use the jack & bore process to install a 24" waterline at Springhill Avenue.



Crews add topsoil to a newly constructed median after installing the irrigation system.

ROUNDBOUT CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS



PROJECT NEWS

- Construction crews are building up what will be the center of the roundabout. Borrow, or filler material, has been hauled in and compacted to bring this part of the work up to the elevations specified in the design plans.
- Crews are finishing the placement and relocation of utility lines along the project. The sanitary sewer system work at Palmetto Street is complete, and the storm sewer is close to completion.



Material is brought in to build up the Broad and Canal Street intersection for the roundabout.



Crews place new storm sewer lines in the proper alignment for a new junction box.