

# The OREGON AVENUE OBSERVER



## PROJECT OVERVIEW

Welcome to our inaugural issue of The Oregon Avenue Observer. Each month we will bring you construction highlights and features that are designed to offer you an inside look into the reconstruction of Oregon Avenue.

The reconstruction of Oregon Avenue NW Project (from Military Road to Western Avenue and Western Avenue from Oregon Avenue to 31st Street) is located in Ward 4, Washington, D.C. This project will include the following improvements along the Oregon Avenue corridor:

- Installation of a new sidewalk - west side
- New curb and gutters
- Streetlights
- Signage and pavement markings
- Drainage structures and systems
- LID facilities
- Construction of a new bridge over Pinehurst Run



Public Kickoff Meeting, December 11, 2019.

## MEET THE PROJECT CONTRIBUTORS

### District of Columbia Power Line Undergrounding Joins the Oregon Avenue Reconstruction Project

The District of Columbia Power Line Undergrounding (DC PLUG) initiative is jointly funded by Pepco and the District of Columbia. It is focused on the underground placement of up to 30 of the most vulnerable power distribution lines. In the face of increasingly severe storms, the DC PLUG initiative is expected to improve resiliency and reliability on selected feeders by an estimated 95%. Feeders are primary distribution power lines that provide service to approximately 1,100 people within a specific neighborhood.

The DC PLUG plan calls for construction on selected primary mainline and primary lateral portions of feeders underground in Wards 3, 4, 7, and 8. The electric distribution system in Wards 1, 2, and 6 is already largely underground. To minimize impact to the customer, the DC PLUG team will identify planned District Department of Transportation (DDOT) work as an opportunity to underground feeders. Our first opportunity project is Feeder 14900 which coincides with the DDOT Oregon Avenue Reconstruction Project.

Construction on the DC PLUG initiative started in June 2019. A video of the groundbreaking event can be found here <https://tinyurl.com/rf2acxc>.

For more information on the DC PLUG initiative, please visit [www.dcpluginfo.com](http://www.dcpluginfo.com).

## PROJECT UPDATE

Phase 1 construction is progressing according to schedule. Last week Capitol Paving of DC, Inc. (contractor) continued the Pepco trench excavation at several locations and concluded the DC PLUG concrete encasement duck bank installation. In addition, the contractor continued the installation of Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) conduit of different sets and completed the connection of the conduits into the installed manholes. Capitol Paving of DC, Inc. continued installation of DC Water sanitary sewer manholes and sanitary sewer pipes for connection. Construction continued on trench backfilling after removal of the trench boxes. Contractors completed the week with the continuation of installing conduit bends to the installed electrical manholes while manhole recessed conduit entries were sealed with class B concrete.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Construction can bring about an abundance of exciting enhancements to a community, and a change in routine is often inevitable. To ease the transition of change within this construction zone, we worked closely with Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to ensure continued access to the E6 transit bus, with as little change as possible during the reconstruction of Oregon Avenue. The E6 transit bus has been re-routed along Utah Avenue, allowing for continued service on Oregon Avenue and the Knollwood Community. Please see the revised route below or visit our website at [www.oregonavenueproject.com](http://www.oregonavenueproject.com) for more information.



Contractor install ground wire rod



Omni Contractors for Capitol Paving installing PVC conduit



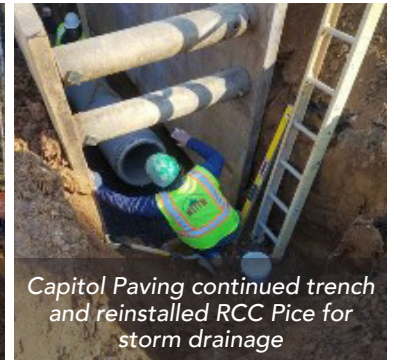
Capitol Paving continued trenching and reinstalling RCC Pipe for storm drainage



Capitol Paving continued trenching and reinstalling RCC Pipe for storm drainage



Capitol Paving continued trench and reinstalled RCC Pipe and backfilled



Capitol Paving continued trench and reinstalled RCC Pipe for storm drainage



Contractor continued trench excavation and installation of PVC conduit and recess



Omni Contractors for Capitol Paving installed PVC conduit and backfilled



**E6**  
Chey Chase Line  
Phase 1A, 3A, 3C  
Detour during  
DDOT's  
Oregon Avenue  
Reconstruction  
Project  
Revised

**Legend**  
ES Stops  
● Unaffiliated Stops  
● Skipped Stops  
E6 Route  
— Unaffiliated Route  
— Route Skipped  
- - - Detour Route  
— Jurisdiction  
— Roads  
— Parks



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## PROJECTED CONSTRUCTION PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

Phase 1 Activities - Beech St. to Western Ave.  
Phase 2 Activities - Military Rd. to Rittenhouse St.  
Phase 3 Activities - Rittenhouse St. to Beech St.

	2020				2021				
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
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Phase 2 Activities - Military Rd. to Rittenhouse St.				█	█	█	█	█	█
Phase 3 Activities - Rittenhouse St. to Beech St.							█	█	█

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