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News Release

*For Immediate Release*

**Southbound National Closed Immediately**

Both southbound lanes of National Avenue between Linwood Drive and Portland Street will be closed immediately for sewer utility work.

Southbound traffic will be reduced to one lane and routed through the center turn lane at the point of the utility work. Both northbound lanes will remain open. The one-block stretch of National will re-open by early Tuesday morning. At this time, sewer maintenance crews estimate the work will be finished before the Tuesday morning traffic rush.

The utility work is necessary due to a nozzle stuck in a sewer pipe, which can cause a slow backup in the system. All wastewater is currently contained within the system.

The maintenance will require sewer utility crews to work beneath the surface of National Avenue. The surface will be repaired with asphalt by the time the lanes re-open early Tuesday morning.

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