



City's Sage Addition work is moving along

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Work is progressing on the drainage and dirt work in the city's Sage Addition in northwest Imperial, and the start of paving is near.

Van Kirk Sand & Gravel continues to bury storm sewer pipe in preparation for concrete paving, expected to start next week, either Tuesday or Wednesday.

Imperial Public Works Supt. Pat Davison said when the crew finishes dirt work on Cactus Circle, the most interior circular street in the addition, the paving will start on Cactus Circle tentatively midweek.

Davison emphasized "tentative" because progress will depend on weather and other unforeseen circumstances.

Once Cactus Circle is paved, dirt work will move to Sand Love, followed by paving.

After that, the crew will move to Sage St., where dirt work will be completed between Yucca and West 11th, followed by paving of that section.

Van Kirk continues to bury the storm sewer pipe in areas of the addition, and hopes to have that portion of the project done in about three weeks, Davison said.

When the concrete is started, Werner Construction, the general contractor on the project, plans to pour the entire 36-foot wide streets and curb in one section.

With the unique way the Sage Addition is laid out, that may pose some issues on access for residents as the paving moves along, Davison said.

He said he is trying to keep people informed on such details as much as possible. The city is also attempting to make project updates on its Facebook page that residents can check.

A lot of dirt work has been underway because the streets are being lowered to accommodate the drainage and curb, Davison noted. The contract calls for removal of 13,000 yards of dirt.

Some telephone cable and additional water mains also had to be lowered in some areas to accommodate the project, which has put the project behind a little, Davison said.



Cornerstone work to follow

Once Van Kirk has all of the storm sewer pipe done in Sage Addition, it will move to the other summer street project in the Cornerstone Commercial Park, probably in mid to late August.

Van Kirk will lay the storm sewer and install water mains ahead of the paving of a 40-foot wide concrete Second Street from Holland St., east to Orsa St.