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## Oakley Avenue Water Main Replacement Project T-281122.09 Post-Presentation Q&A

- Q:** Will the Oakley portion of the project use horizontal directional drilling (HDD)?  
**A:** HDD will be the primary method used on SW Oakley.
- Q:** Which side of Oakley, East or West, will the HDD activity take place?  
**A:** The drilling will take place on the West side of Oakley Avenue.
- Q:** What are the days of the week and hours of the day the work teams will be onsite?  
**A:** A normal work schedule (weather permitting) is Monday – Friday 7am-7pm.
- Q:** If damage occurs to sprinkler systems, driveways, curbs or trees, will they be replaced or repaired by the City?  
**A:** Any damaged or removed driveways, sidewalks, curbs and gutter shall be replaced/repaired by the contractor. However, The City's restoration policy does not extend to any additions or improvements that the property owner deliberately places in the City's right-of-way. These items include, but are not limited to: Sod, sprinkler systems, retaining walls, flower beds, trees, shrubs, and other horticultural improvements. The property owner is financially responsible for any damage that occurs to these items.

The following policy speaks to irrigation systems in the right-of-way:

*City of Topeka and Shawnee County*

*Standard Technical Specifications–Section 4.02-D*

### *Sprinkler Systems*

Sprinkler systems for lawn and landscaped areas affected by construction shall be neatly cut and capped at the limits of the construction by the Contractor. The Contractor shall coordinate this work with the affected property owner(s). Sprinkler systems located within existing right-of-way will not be repaired. However, the Contractor shall carefully remove and salvage to the property owner any sprinkler heads or sprinkler system controls that may have been located on the public right-of-way. If a sprinkler system located on private property is damaged, it shall be replaced by the Contractor prior to permanent seeding or sodding of the area. The Engineer shall notify the Contractor if any special agreements have been made with the property owner regarding the sprinkler system. Sprinkler system work shall be considered subsidiary to other items of the Contract.

The complete, City of Topeka and Shawnee County Standard Technical Specifications, document can be found at <https://www.topeka.org/engineering/design-right-of-way/>

*Further questions regarding this project can be directed to Duncan Theuri with the City of Topeka Utilities Department.*

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