

# **Town of Beaufort**

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## **Notice of Planned Construction Cedar Street Pervious Pavement Installation**

Work by the Town of Beaufort's contractor, Sunland Builders, Inc., is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. The work will be performed along Cedar Street from its intersection with Turner Street to the Pollock Street intersection. The work will involve the demolition and removal of the parking lane asphalt on both sides of the street followed by the replacement of the asphalt with pervious concrete. Work will be conducted on a block-by-block basis with the Turner Street to Craven Street block being first. Sunland Builders will begin work at the Craven Street to Queen Street block upon completion of the Turner to Craven block. Thereafter, the Queen Street to Pollock Street block will be constructed.

Sunland Builders estimates that each block will take up to 30 days to complete. Each block will be open to local traffic only during the time it is under construction with transient traffic being detoured. This means that only those motorists traveling to residences and businesses that border the work zone will be allowed entree so long as there is driveway access to the residence or business they are trying to reach. Sunland Builders plans to maintain driveway accesses within the work zone; however, there may be a few times when a given driveway needs to be closed for one to two hours. There will also be one time when each driveway will need to be closed for three days so that the pervious concrete can cure (i.e., harden).

The permeable pavement project is being jointly funded by the North Carolina Division of Water Resources, the Coastal Federation, and the Town. The pavement is intended to complement the bioswales recently constructed by the N.C. Department of Transportation at many of the intersections along Cedar Street. The permeable pavement should reduce the runoff directed to the bioswales, helping them to be more efficient at filtering pollutants particularly during smaller rainstorms. Together, the bioswales and permeable pavement are viewed as a step towards the Town's goal of watershed restoration.

The bioswale and permeable pavement projects are only a part of the larger effort to rehabilitate Cedar Street. Other work already completed has included the replacement of the water and storm water piping beneath the street as well as lining of much of the below ground sanitary sewer lines. The rehabilitation efforts will conclude with the repaving of the street by the N.C. Department of Transportation. The Department's repaving effort is currently scheduled to occur in the Fall.

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