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SUBJECT: Eklund Avenue reconstruction project and Junction Avenue/Saint Marie Street rehabilitation project set to begin Monday, May 12 BY: Kelli Latuska, Public Information Officer

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[DULUTH, MN] Two significant road construction projects are set to begin on Monday, May 12. The Eklund Ave reconstruction project is tentatively scheduled to begin on May 12, 2025. The work includes full-depth reconstruction of Eklund Avenue, including bituminous pavement, concrete sidewalks, curb and gutter, driveway improvements, and utility work consisting of new water main and improved storm drainage system between Maple Grove Road and Swan Lake Road. The project is scheduled to be complete in Late October. The affected section of road will be closed to traffic during the work.

The Junction Avenue/Saint Marie Street rehabilitation project is tentatively scheduled to begin on May 12, as well. The project consists of a combination of street reconstruction and pavement rehabilitation along Junction Avenue and Saint Marie Street near the University of Minnesota Duluth campus between College Street and Carver Avenue. Project work includes full-depth pavement reconstruction, mill and overlay, concrete walks and driveways; concrete curb and gutter, and concrete ADA pedestrian ramps. Project utility work includes storm sewer replacement and rehabilitation, gate valve adjustments, manhole adjustments, and electrical duct bank installation.

The Junction Avenue/Saint Marie Street rehabilitation project is scheduled to be substantially complete by mid-August of 2025. Major work will be suspended from August 18, 2025 to September 8, 2025. Project completion is expected by late October 2025. Detours will be posted in the area.