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Lane Closures Planned on Pleasant Street for Pedestrian Bridge Installation

April 26, 2019 – Work to install a pedestrian bridge over Pleasant Street began this week with lane closures starting on Monday, April 29.

Beloit College is renovating the old power generation station-Powerhouse into an award-winning student center and the pedestrian bridge is part of Beloit College's project. To construct this project, Pleasant Street will experience various lane closures for up to two months.

Pleasant Street will remain open during construction, but motorists will experience a reduction in lanes. All vehicle traffic southbound on Pleasant Street will need to merge into one lane, which would normally be the northbound left lane. All vehicle traffic northbound on Pleasant will need to merge into the rightmost lane. These lane shifts will only be in the area of the Powerhouse. The contractor will have signs and orange barrels to guide motorists through the area.

The sidewalk by the powerhouse will also be closed during this work. Through pedestrian traffic should cross the river and use Fourth Street, West Grand Avenue, and the Wood Family Fishing Bridge. Recreational pedestrians can use the riverwalk path up to the sidewalk closure area, then turn around and go back. The contractor will have signs and barricades to remind pedestrians of the sidewalk closure, and to keep them a safe distance away from the work zone.

The lane closures may be expanded at times when large sections of bridge are being placed by a crane. As always, motorists are to proceed with caution when driving through construction zones, and be on the lookout for ever-changing conditions.

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