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CITY OF BURIEN TO LAUNCH SLURRY SEAL PILOT PROGRAM SUMMER 2015

Limited, Single-Day Road Closures Anticipated in Northeast Burien

BURIEN, WASH. – This summer, the City of Burien will initiate a Slurry Seal Program to lengthen the life of its roads at a fraction of the cost of complete repaving. The project area will include portions of streets in Northeast Burien between Glendale Ave S and S 128th St, east of SR 509. A map can be found at <http://bit.ly/1HSP4MS>.

“We look forward to putting this state-of-the-art maintenance method to work on our streets,” said Maiya Andrews, Public Works Director for the City of Burien. “As we all know, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and that’s especially true when it comes to caring for our infrastructure.”

Slurry seal is a mixture of fine aggregate and emulsified asphalt applied to residential roads. Considered to be preventive maintenance, slurry seal extends the life of existing asphalt by sealing it from the harmful effects of water penetration and sun. Slurry seal is a cost-effective treatment that provides a new wearing surface to last an additional three to seven years.

Because slurry seals need to be applied during warm, sunny weather to cure properly, the program must be completed mid- to late-summer. While slurry seal is laid, the road must be cleared of debris, cars, recreational vehicles, and other personal items for **one day**. During that day, the street will close to all car, bike, foot, and pet traffic while the seal cures. The road will reopen to all traffic the following day.

Residents and businesses affected by the project will be notified by mail several weeks in advance and via door hangers the week that the seal will be laid. More information on the timing of impacts will be available by early July. Visit www.burienwa.gov/slurryseal for updates.

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