

CITY OF THE DALLES

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PRESS RELEASE

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TOPIC: Union Street Underpass Remains Closed

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Though flood waters have receded from the Union Street Underpass, the road section remains super saturated. A drying period of seven to ten days is critical to avoid damage to the road section. The Union Street Undercrossing will remain closed to all traffic except for authorized vehicles that will be accompanied by City personnel.

Union Street northbound remains closed to through traffic at the railroad tracks, and remains completely closed north of the Hattenhauer access road (111 West First Street). Access to Lewis and Clark Festival Park will be open throughout the drying period.

Approaching the undercrossing from the west side, West First Street will be closed to through traffic at Terminal Way and will be completely closed beyond the Oregon Cherry Growers Riverside facility employee access.

Motorists are encouraged to continue using Webber Street as an alternate route to access West First Street during the undercrossing's closure.

The Union Street Undercrossing closure and extended drying period of the road section is a normal occurrence during the spring water runoff season.

Please be alert to traffic control detour signs and for your safety do not enter the road closure area. For questions or concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at (541) 296-5401.