

## Paving of Forbes Avenue in Oakland to Begin This Weekend

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (July 30, 2025)** – Two lanes of traffic along Forbes Avenue in Oakland will be closed for portions of the next two weekends while crews restore the roadway following construction associated with the University Line bus rapid transit project, Pittsburgh Regional Transit announced today.

Crews will mill and pave the right lane of Forbes Avenue at three locations between Craft Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard starting at 8 p.m. on Friday, August 1 through 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 2.

Although crews will only be working on the right lane adjacent to the curb, the center lane will be blocked by construction equipment. Crews will maintain one lane of traffic during the work. Parking and stopping along Forbes Avenue will be prohibited during paving.

Paving activity will also occur on Saturday, August 9 in the right lane of Forbes Avenue from Schenley Drive to Schenley Drive Extension (both of which border Schenley Plaza). Details regarding this section of paving will be determined early next week.

## **Traffic and Pedestrian Impacts:**

- Buses will continue to serve stops on Forbes Avenue during paving, with the exception of the stop on Forbes at Craft, which will be temporarily out of service.
- Most side streets along Forbes Avenue between Craft Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard will remain accessible for traffic.
- Flaggers will be on site to help with traffic flow. However, motorists are advised to allow extra travel time.
- Pedestrians will continue to have access to sidewalks and crosswalks.
- Roadway barriers are expected to remain in place until lane striping is completed, which is expected to happen before August 15.

This construction is part of the second phase of the University Line, which will connect downtown Pittsburgh, Uptown, and Oakland with dedicated bus lanes to improve reliability, reduce travel times, and enhance the overall travel experience for commuters. PRT contractors recently completed relocating and upgrading water, sewer, and electrical

infrastructure on Forbes Avenue in preparation for the installation of four new PRTX stations. The University Line is expected to be complete in 2027.

To learn more about the University Line project and what's next, visit <a href="https://prt-brt-newshub.prezly.com/">www.rideprt.org/brt</a> and to receive ongoing updates for Phase II construction, visit <a href="https://prt-brt-newshub.prezly.com/">https://prt-brt-newshub.prezly.com/</a>

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