



# City of Thousand Oaks

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
MARK D. WATKINS, DIRECTOR

August 12, 2010

## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS/BUSINESSES/PUBLIC AGENCIES/MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES**

**Subject: Norwegian Grade (North Moorpark Road) Improvements  
City Project Nos. CI 5165 and CI 4541**

The City of Thousand Oaks will soon begin a Capital Improvement Project for the section of Moorpark Road between Calle Contento and Santa Rosa Road, commonly referred to as the Norwegian Grade. Work will consist of pavement rehabilitation, road repairs, drainage improvements, installation of new guardrail, and installation of a northbound left turn lane at the YMCA entrance.

The City awarded a contract for the work to C. A. Rasmussen, Inc. of Valencia, CA. The contractor, as of August 2, started preliminary work to mobilize its equipment and materials. There may be some short-term traffic control and minor construction during the month of August. Because the Norwegian Grade is a narrow, winding, two-lane mountain style roadway, the pavement rehabilitation project will require closing the roadway during construction and traffic will be detoured to accomplish the work. Beginning in September after Labor Day, the Norwegian Grade will be closed to through traffic for 60 days for the actual construction work. Access from the north will be provided for the homes, businesses, and McCrea Ranch and to the YMCA from the south during this construction period. The contractor will coordinate with those properties to accommodate access needs during the road closure. The contractor will provide traffic control and we request that those who must access the area allow extra time and exercise caution for the safety of themselves and construction workers.

The contractor will also work extended hours and Saturdays.

In addition to the construction activities, you may notice temporary increases in construction related vehicles traveling to and from the work areas including excavators, paving equipment, dump trucks and asphalt trucks.

The detour route during construction between Santa Rosa Valley and Thousand Oaks will be the 23 Freeway, or alternately via Camarillo and the 101 Freeway.

Bicyclists will have an alternate route via Read Road and bike path easement access to Olsen Road.

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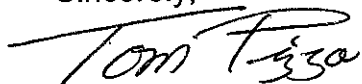
Message board signs will be set up to inform the public of the pending closure at least one week in advance of the road closure. The contractor will also provide notices and coordination with the adjacent properties and residences to their access needs.

The City has also contracted with Penfield & Smith, an experienced Civil Engineering and Construction Management firm to provide technical, administrative and management services during the course of the work. Christopher P. Gabriel, P. E. will be primary contact for Penfield and Smith. His number is (805) 963-9532.

The City's Project Manager is Dan Lazo, P. E. and he can be reached at (805) 449-2443. My phone number is (805) 449-2430.

Thank you and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Pizza". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Tom Pizza, P.E.

Engineering Division Manager

Construction and Right-of-Way Management