PROJECT INFORMATION

REGARDING

Impacts to the Des Moines River Water Trail during Phase 1 of the NW 66th Avenue Reconstruction and Kempton Bridge Replacement Project
OVERVIEW OF DES MOINES RIVER WATER TRAIL IMPACTS

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS
Phase 1: The proposed improvement is to replace the existing 2-lane bridge with a 4-lane bridge and include a multi-purpose trail on the bridge to connect the trail systems on the east and west sides of the Des Moines River.

IMPACTS TO WATER TRAIL
During construction, a causeway will be in place in the river to allow construction, so the width of the river course will be reduced at the project site. A 60' wide channel between the construction obstructions (coffer dams, piers, causeway) with channel markers placed in the river to guide users.

The Water Trail will be closed during very brief periods when the bridge beams are set, when formwork for the bridge decking is placed, and during demolition of the existing bridge.

During these brief closures, the contractor will deploy and maintain 2 lines of buoys – one north of the bridge, and one south of the bridge, to prevent boaters from floating under the bridge work. Prior to these closures, notices will be sent to interested parties and organizations.

SCHEDULE
Construction of the project is planned to begin in June of 2015 and will likely continue until the spring of 2017.

If you have additional questions or comments regarding the proposed improvements, please contact:

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If trail users or residents wish to receive project schedule updates via email as they are developed, submit your email address and contact info to us at publicworks@polkcountyiowa.gov