



# Bears paw South Feeder Main Construction Update

March 11, 2026

## **Bears paw South Feeder Main construction update**

While the Bears paw South Feeder Main (BSFM) is shut down for reinforcement construction, we will also be completing other essential feeder main related work in the area. During this time we will be making water infrastructure repairs and upgrades, preparing existing infrastructure to connect into the new steel feeder main once it is completed and building redundancy in our water distribution system where possible.

## **Where we are working**

- **33 Avenue N.W. and 83 Street N.W. - partial intersection closure and lane reductions**
  - Recent investigative work on the BSFM along 33 Avenue N.W. has shown the need to repair valves controlling water distribution in the area. This work must be done now while the feeder main is out of service, so that we can properly connect the new feeder main to the existing system, and will help to build redundancy in the network delivering water to Bowness.
  - Construction will begin Thursday, March 12 and last for approximately 10 days.
  - The intersection will be partially closed and there will be lane reductions. Temporary traffic lights will be used to direct traffic at the intersection and traffic flaggers will be on site for peak hours between 6a.m. - 9a.m. and 3p.m. - 6p.m.
  - We apologize this information was not available at our recent community information sessions. The need for this work was discovered after our events and must be actioned immediately.
  
- **33 Avenue N.W., near 83 Street N.W. intersection**
  - Borehole drilling for soil sampling along the BSFM.
  - Residents should anticipate seeing crews working in the area and noise from hydrovac trucks.
  - Beginning March 16, work is anticipated to take about 1 week. Each hole will take about 2-3 hours to complete.
  
- **33 Avenue N.W. and 87 Street N.W. intersection closure**
  - We previously shared plans for excavation to assess existing utilities, at the intersection of 33 Avenue N.W. and 87 Street N.W., to begin on March 17. This project start has been delayed until March 23 and is now expected to be completed by March 30.
  - Excavation will require a full intersection closure.

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## Construction impacts

As a resident in the community, you should expect the following impacts:

- Crews will be working 7a.m. – 7p.m., every day until work is completed.
- Heavy equipment and other construction vehicles around construction sites.
- Traffic impacts and detours. Temporary street parking impacts.
- Driveway access may be impacted for some residents. City representatives will be reaching out to impacted property owners directly.
- Fenced off areas for equipment and supplies.
- Noise, dust and vibrations.
- There are no planned water, gas or electric outages, but temporary shutoffs may be required.

The BSFM has been shut down to complete reinforcements on the pipe. During this time it is critical for residents and businesses to use less water since the Glenmore Water Treatment Plant is supplying most of the city and region and is operating at maximum capacity. **No outdoor water use is permitted at this time. We're also urging Calgarians to take steps to reduce their indoor water use.** Learn more about how you can use less water at [calgary.ca/savewater](https://calgary.ca/savewater).

## Project information or questions

Visit [calgary.ca/bears pawfeedermain](https://calgary.ca/bears pawfeedermain) to learn more about the reinforcements construction process, ongoing area construction and impacts, and available community resources.

If you have any questions about this work please call 311, visit [calgary.ca/bears pawfeedermain](https://calgary.ca/bears pawfeedermain) or email [bsfmproject@calgary.ca](mailto:bsfmproject@calgary.ca).

**We want to thank Calgarians for your understanding while we complete this necessary work.**



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2026 Bears paw South Feeder Main Reinforcements Traffic Impacts – 83 Street N.W. and 33 Avenue N.W.



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