

Allegan Downtown Streetscape Project

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Current Progress

With the new water main installed on Brady St., Milbocker & Sons have begun installation of the new storm sewer through both rain and sun. As the depth decreases on these new pipeline systems, Milbocker can remove trench boxes and lay pipe efficiently, installing almost 300 feet in one day this week. The installation of the storm pipe and catch basins had led Milbocker to various abandoned masonry walls lining the sides of their trench. These walls provide great shoring for trench safety as crews work to install this new system. As with the other new systems, as each length of pipe is laid, earthwork crews have continued to fill in the trench behind them.

Alongside this work, the new water main is having pressure, disinfection, and bacteria testing done this week. Once this testing is complete Milbocker will begin installation of new water service connections. This new water system downtown will also help ensure that the City of Allegan follows Michigan's Lead & Copper Rule, keeping citizens safer from potential lead line contamination within the city limits.

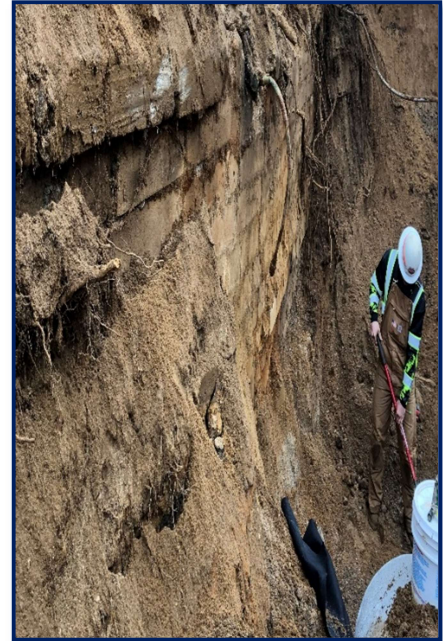


Fig 1: Milbocker working in their trench alongside abandoned masonry walls



Fig 2: Storm sewer installation progressing along Brady St.

Upcoming Work

Now that water main work has wrapped up, Milbocker will be working on installing the new storm sewer crossings along the entire length of Brady St. from State St. to Hubbard St. As this installation progress, water main services will additionally be replaced, and new water services will be connected to the new main and run into residences along Brady St.

These new service connections will mean that water service may temporarily be interrupted while Milbocker transfers your service from the old main to the new main. Any affected properties will be coordinated with ahead of time, and a notice will be provided in advance.

Throughout the project, the contractor plans to leave sidewalks in place as long as possible to maintain access to residences and businesses. When a section of existing sidewalk needs to be removed, the affected property will be coordinated ahead of time, and a temporary walkway will be maintained.