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## Construction on Nickel Plate Trail to close Fall Creek Parkway in mid-April

*This release is being re-sent with an updated detour route. Please see below.*

INDIANAPOLIS -- The **Nickel Plate Trail project** is set to initiate a full closure of Fall Creek Parkway at Evanston Avenue from April 15 to April 30. This closure marks a significant step forward in the ongoing efforts to transform the Nickel Plate Railroad bed into a dynamic multi-use trail, spanning from the State Fairgrounds into Hamilton County.

"The Nickel Plate Trail project represents a pivotal endeavor in our commitment to fostering healthier, more connected communities," said Indy DPW Director Brandon Herget. "By repurposing the Nickel Plate Railroad bed into a versatile multi-use trail, we're not only providing recreational opportunities but also creating vital links between neighborhoods, schools, and parks. The completion of the Nickel Plate Trail promises to be a transformative milestone, enriching the lives of residents and visitors alike for generations to come."

The \$14.9 million project broke ground in late 2023 and is expected to remain in construction until mid-2025, adding nine miles of trail to the city's network. The project includes the development of multi-use spur connections at 62nd Street east of Eastwood Middle School and on 86th Street west of Sahm Park, enhancing connectivity and accessibility across the region.

The closure of Fall Creek Parkway at Evanston Avenue allows for the full removal of the railroad crossing at this section. The roadway will be patched with new asphalt, and a section of the concrete median and curbs will be replaced on each side of the road. Detour routes will be clearly marked to minimize inconvenience for commuters and residents during this period.

**The Fall Creek Parkway detour is as follows:**

**Northbound:**

- Head west on 38th Street at the intersection of 38th Street and Fall Creek Parkway
- Turn north on College Avenue
- Head east on 46th Street
- Turn south onto Keystone Avenue
- The detour ends once driver has returned to Fall Creek Parkway

**Southbound:**

- Head north onto Keystone Avenue at the intersection of Keystone Avenue and Fall Creek Parkway
- Turn west on 46th Street
- Head south on College Avenue
- Turn east on 38th Street
- The detour ends once driver has returned to Fall Creek Parkway

A visual map of the detour can be found [here](#).

Community members are encouraged to stay updated on project developments and closures via our social media pages and are advised to plan alternate routes accordingly.

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