



Media Advisory

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Street Construction Off Ben Taub EC

Project could interfere with TV station live remotes now through Oct. 1

Media's use of the park just east of the Emergency Center at Ben Taub General Hospital will be off limits now through Oct. 1 as major construction on Lamar Fleming Street is performed.

The park has routinely been used by television and radio news crews to stage live remotes from outside of Ben Taub Hospital. Other news coverage of ambulance and patients to the hospital also may be disrupted.

The construction, which began June 1 and is headed by the Texas Medical Center, will install new water and utility lines, as well as make landscaping improvements and add new lights to the area.

To accommodate the project, one lane of traffic will be closed at all times. The open lane is now a one-way corridor traveling north to south from MacGregor Way to Moursund.

"We regret not being able to accommodate any live-truck remotes by media because of this construction," said Eric Price, Security Captain of the Harris County Hospital District's Department of Public Safety. "We don't have the space to allow them any other parking use."

Ambulances, emergency patient drop-offs and METRO buses will still continue to use Lamar Fleming. A number of signs and security officials will direct those entering the street.

The Harris County Hospital District is the fourth largest public metropolitan healthcare system in the country. It comprises Ben Taub General Hospital, Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital and Quentin Mease Community Hospital, 13 satellite clinics in homeless shelters, 11 community health centers, five school-based clinics, five mobile health units an HIV/AIDS facility and a dental center.

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