

Work nears completion on Eastwood Road

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Staff photo by Dana Hawley

Traffic slowdowns have been a normal occurrence along Eastwood Road, where extensive median work and repaving for the Autumn Hall development are underway.

Construction on Eastwood Road related to traffic improvements for the Autumn Hall development have caused delays between Military Cutoff Road and Market Street, but the first phase of the project should be complete within the next week.

Mike Brown, Autumn Hall project manager, said the work is the first of two phases of improvements. "The first phase is to mill down the existing asphalt and put in the islands, which are in there now. Now, they're putting in fresh asphalt for a smooth road surface. That should be complete this week, weather permitting," he said.

The earth-filled islands will eventually be planted with vegetation, he added. Barnhill Contracting Company is performing the traffic improvements.

The work will either be finished by Friday afternoon or will pause during the Memorial Day weekend to avoid lengthy delays with the heavy holiday traffic.

The second phase of the project is to complete improvements along the second half of the road frontage of Autumn Hall. Brown said the second phase would not begin before the end of the summer. ~ Jules Norwood