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## **TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL AT HWY 61/HWY38 INTERSECTION**

*Drivers urged to avoid intersection as repairs continue following accident Wednesday*

**MUSCATINE, Iowa** – A semi took out a traffic light pole and mast at the Highway 61/Highway 38 intersection Wednesday (Oct. 18) morning according to Muscatine Power and Water (MPW). Crews from MPW have installed a temporary flashing red four-way stop at the intersection according to Brian Stineman, Public Works Director for the City of Muscatine.

Officers from the Muscatine Police Department have been at the scene for most of the day directing traffic as MPW removed the broken pole and installed a flashing red four-way stop. However, officers will not be on scene past this afternoon.

Drivers should expect long delays at this intersection and should seek alternate routes when possible.

Stineman said that he has spoken with MPW who will be setting up temporary poles and spanning traffic lights for temporary intersection control starting Thursday (Oct. 19) morning. The temporary traffic lights should be up and running by late Thursday morning. Permanent repair including a new pole and masts will not be complete for at least 30 days.

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