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CITY TO EXERCISE, TEST 2ND STREET FLOODGATE

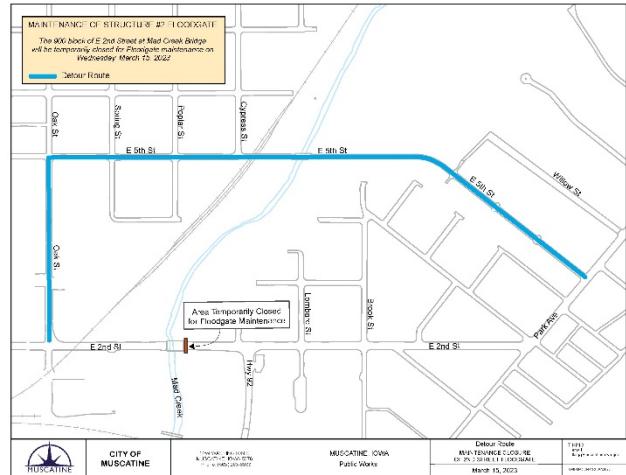
2nd Street closed Wednesday morning; detour will be 5th Street

MUSCATINE, Iowa – The Department of Public Works is planning to exercise the flood gate on 2nd Street at Mad Creek as part of a training exercise and flood preparedness plan.

The City of Muscatine plans to close East 2nd Street from Oak Street to Highway 92 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, as the gate is moved into place to complete the flood wall and then moved back to its storage location.

The detour for the street closure will be to use East 5th Street from either Park Avenue or from Oak Street.

Maintenance of the flood gate is usually conducted annually prior to the start of the spring flood season. The National Weather Service has indicated that there is a well above normal risk for





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flooding in their 2023 Spring Flood Outlook with the highest potential for moderate flooding (above 18 feet) the last two weeks of April.

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