

PPD News

Physical Plant Department

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Roadway Repair to Impact Traffic on Redondo Loop

Road Project

2 The University of New Mexico's (UNM) Physical Plant Department (PPD) will begin a roadway repair project on Redondo Drive the week of June 20, 2016. The work will be performed from the northwest corner of Coronado Hall extending all the way to George Pearl Hall.

PPD Scholarship

The project will include milling and patching the existing asphalt, installation of concrete collars around utility valve boxes, an asphalt overlay, new pavement markings, and minor signage enhancements.

Safety Awards

3 During the estimated four-week project, various lane closures and lane reductions will be required. Barricades and directional signage will be provided and flagmen will be present to direct traffic as needed.

Kudos

Crosswalks throughout the project will be closed at various times, however, there will be crosswalks available for use. Access to the "A" and "R" parking lots, as well as the Cornell Parking structure, will also be briefly disrupted. Alternative access will be provided at these times.

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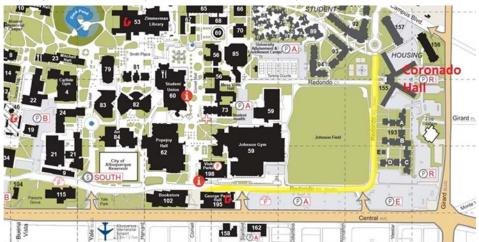
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PPD is requesting the campus community to do its best to avoid the area if possible, and please follow all detour and pedestrian traffic signs.

Staff Council Elections

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the project, contact PPD associate director, Willie West, at (505) 277-0615, or supervisor, Juan Garcia, at (505) 277-3272.





PPD's Building Coordinator Meeting Scheduled

The Physical Plant Department will be hosting the next Building Coordinator Meeting on Wednesday, June 29th from 9-10:30 am. It will be located in the Anthropology Building room 163. Topics will include information about the summer construction project at the Student Residence Centers (SRCs), a new texting feature available for the UNM community to submit concerns to PPD, University Communications & Marketing (UCAM) will present about the branding initiative and how Building Coordinators can positively affect and interact with UNM's brand, and a recap of a recent water concerns at the UNM Children's Campus.

PPD is excited and motivated to engage this community and to provide the needed resources to aid in the success of the UNM campus. All PPD managers are being asked to attend this meeting.

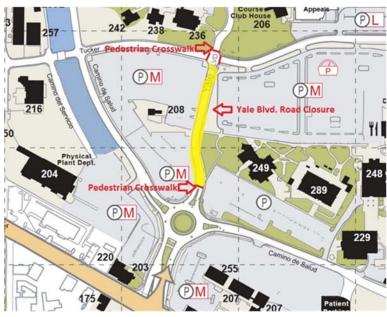
For more information on this meeting, please contact Rachel Stone at 277-7831 or email at racheld@unm.edu.

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North Campus Yale Blvd. Road Closure

The University of New Mexico's (UNM) Physical Plant Department (PPD) will close Yale Blvd. north of Lomas at the roundabout in order to repave this roadway beginning Monday, June 6, 2016. The work will include the removal of the existing asphalt, installation of new base course material and asphalt, pavement markings, and other minor signage replacements. It is estimated that the roadwork will be complete on June 22nd, but is always dependent on the weather which could cause delays.

Yale Blvd. will be completely closed from the north side of the roundabout to Tucker Ave. (see map). The sidewalk on the west side of Yale Blvd. will be closed, as well the crosswalk on the north end of Yale Blvd. and the crosswalk at the UNM Observatory. The east entrance to the Observatory parking lot will also be closed. The crosswalks at the roundabout will remain open, including the sidewalk on the east side of Yale Blvd. Detour signs will be installed to direct vehicle traffic around the construction site.



Intermittent lane closures will occur on Tucker Ave., however flagmen will be present to direct traffic during those time. Please avoid the area if possible and please follow all detour and pedestrian traffic signs.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact Willie West, Associate Director at 277-0615 or Juan Garcia, Supervisor at 277-3272.

PPD Scholarship Applications Now being Accepted

The Physical Plant Department Scholarship Committee will meet in July to consider awards for the 2016-2017 academic years. Two separate awards will be available; each providing \$300.00 per semester. Awards for the second semester will be contingent upon satisfactory scholastic performance during the first semester. These awards will be based on demonstrated academic performance, financial need, and educational program.

University of New Mexico students who are children of full-time or retired Physical Plant Department employees, including high school graduates who have recently been accepted to UNM, are eligible to apply.

Applicants need not designate which award they want. The committee will select the most deserving student in each case. No one will be awarded both scholarships.

Application forms are available at the Physical Plant Service Building. You may ask the administrative support staff for assistance, or you may call 277-2421 and they will send you a form. The form is also available online. On your computer browser enter http://ppd.unm.edu/for-ppd-staff/scholarship%20form%20information.html. Complete the form, print, and return the completed form with grade transcripts to Mary Ann Montoya in the Physical Plant office no later than June 27, 2016. (Please note: The application form indicates to enter your SSN. If you are a UNM student, please enter your UNM ID# instead.)

PPD Launches new Website

The Physical Plant Department (PPD) has unveiled a new website. The mobile-responsiveness and navigation will make the site easier to use for our customers. Please bookmark the new URL which is ppd.unm.edu.

Please be aware that many of our customers may have bookmarked PPD's previous homepage (iss.unm.edu/ppd/) in order to submit Service Requests. With the launch of our new site, customers may have difficulty knowing how to access the iService Desk. If you haven't already, please bookmark http:// http://servicedesk.unm.edu/ in order to make your service requests.



The Physical Plant Department is responsible for the care and upkeep of the physical campus environment. Additionally, the department maintains the University's district energy system providing electricity, steam, chilled









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Kudos

Willie,

I just wanted to reach out to you really quick and let you know I really enjoy working with Mark and Nick [PPD Special Activities]. They always do a great job on my projects. I appreciate their helpfulness and work ethic. They helped with a project today and I just wanted to share my positive experiences with them.

Thanks,

Mark S. Orgeron, Office of the Provost

Dear Victor,

I am writing to thank you and recognize the excellent suport we received recently from several of your custodial staff. As you know, CARC has 36 faculty and students from the SOE moving into the Center this week from Farris Engineering --- they will be resident at the Center for the next 18-20 months. In preparation for their arrival, and also to address mandated cubicle moves by the Fire Marshal, we requested floor cleaning and polishing in several areas of the CARC "main showroom floor" that had not been cleaned in 7+ years (possibly decades). They were quite dirty and in some places badly stained.

Custodial supervisor Andrez Moya and crew member John Sannar returned to CARC several times in order to get the job done in a timely fashion, and before the students started to arrive on Monday. They put in extra time and effort to clean up stained (even rusted) areas, and put down several coats on successive days, to hopefully stand up to heavy traffic from the incoming students.

They did a fantastic job, and were truly dedicated to making the Center look great: the floor shines like a mirror now!

I wanted to express my sincere thanks to you and your team, and to commend Andrez and John for a truly excellent job.

Sincerely,

Susan R. Atlas

Research Professor of Physics and Astronomy Director, UNM Center for Advanced Research Computing

PPD Safety Committee issues four Safety Awards

Most PPD employees are out and about on the UNM campus, and can quite often be the first to notice safety hazards. The PPD Safety Committee awards employees who demonstrate diligence in recognizing, reporting, and/or correcting safety hazards to ensure the health and well-being of the campus community. This week, four PPD employees were recognized as "One Safe Lobo." Each winner will receive 8 hours of leave in recognition of their efforts to keep our campus safe.



Jose Bejarano, turf tech in PPD Grounds & Landscaping, corrected an irrigation malfunction that created ice on a sidewalk that was a trip/fall hazard.



David Romero, turf tech in PPD Grounds & Landscaping, corrected an irrigation malfunction that created ice on a sidewalk that was a trip/fall hazard.

PPD Promotions

Please congratulate David Thomas on his promotion! David was previously a Utility Plant Technician, and has been promoted to supervisor of Water Systems with PPD Utilities. He began his new position on May 28, 2016. Congratulations, David!

Welcome to PPD

Please welcome Kevin Swartz to the PPD Sign Shop. He is the new Sign Tech, and began his new position on June 6, 2016. Welcome to PPD, Kevin!

Staff Council Elections

Congratulations to PPD's own Mary Clark, sustainability manager, for being elected as Speaker for the UNM Staff Council.

Clark said, "This is my third year in a row being elected Speaker of Staff Council and I feel very proud and grateful. I am also happy to continue representing Precinct 17 for Staff Council and to bring the issues and concerns of the Physical Plant Department staff to the UNM administration."

The Staff Council Executive Committee members for 2016/2017 are:

President - Danelle Callan

President-Elect - Renee Delgado-Riley

Speaker - Mary Clark

Treasurer - Carla Sakiestewa

Grade-At-Large Representatives - Joaquin Baca and Daniel Weems

Precinct-At-Large Representatives - John Byram and Aaron Cowan

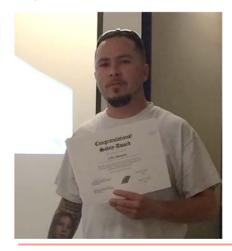
Past President - Crystal Davis (non-voting, ex-officio)

Administrative Officer - Kathy Meadows (non-voting, ex-officio)



Mary Clark, UNM sustainability manager, and reelected Speaker for the UNM Staff Council.

Safety Awards Continued



John Marquez, turf tech in PPD Grounds & Landscaping, noticed a large Elm tree limb hanging over the street and parking on Redondo Drive. He immediately contacted the PPD arborist crew to remove the hazard.



Shawn Walraven, ornamental/turf pest control technician in PPD Grounds & Landscaping, submitted a list of blue emergency lights that needed to be replaced due to dim lighting.



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The Physical Plant Department's mission is to consistently deliver effective programs and efficient facility service based on sustainable and collaborative outcome aligned with The University of New Mexico's core mission.

The Physical Plant Department's vision is that our community, state, and national peers will recognize The University of New Mexico's Physical Plant Department as a leader in campus sustainability and facilities stewardship.