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Lemen/North/East undergrounding of PG&E lines (update)

PG&E has delayed the start of their construction work for the Lemen/North/East undergrounding project until December 7. They were previously planning to start on November 16 but were delayed. Once construction begins, the project is expected to be complete in approximately four to five months. Traffic delays, lane closures, and temporary closures of side streets are expected throughout the construction of this project.

The majority of the power poles being undergrounded are in conflict with the City's Lemen/North/East Realignment Project. Construction completion of the undergrounding project is key to the progression of the City's road realignment project. Wave Broadband and AT&T are planning to move their lines into an underground trench after PG&E has completed their work. After all of the undergrounding work is complete, the City will begin construction of the road project. The road project start date is tentatively planned for Summer of 2010.

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