

Homeowners: Tips to Remember When Your Road is Being Chip Sealed

- Dusty conditions could be present. Our chip seal process starts by cleaning the road with a sweeper, which means dust. Close your windows and move your vehicles from the area when possible.
- Move objects away from the curb. Make sure that all personal belongings and property are kept back from the edge of the road (trash cans, recycling bins, lawn ornaments)
- Expect noise. Our onsite crews will be operating heavy trucks and noisy equipment. You may see an oil distributor, chip spreader, rollers, and pick-up trucks. In accordance with OSHA standards our equipment has been equipped with back-up alarms and strobe lighting for safety so expect some level of noise.
- Don't drive through fresh oil. Be patient and wait until the crew or flaggers give you the go ahead to drive on the road. Removing oil from your vehicle will be laborious and expensive for you. It's in your best interest to be patient and not drive on fresh oil.
- Exercise caution around equipment. Pay attention to flaggers/traffic control and always yield to the heavy equipment doing the work.
- Be patient. Remember that this is an investment in your road system. Delays should be minimal and the chip seal process has a short duration.
- Don't spin or skid your wheels. Reckless driving will take the chips right off the road. Drive gingerly for the first few weeks.
- Ask Questions. When in doubt, ask our crew members questions. They will be a valuable resource of information for you.
- Reduce your speed. The roadway surface will improve over time as the rock compacts into the oil but expect some loose rock following the chip sealing. Reducing your speed is important.