

# UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

## UNIVERSITY CITY - PROJECT BLOCK 1R

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### WELCOME TO THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM E-NEWS #18

This is the eighteenth e-news update to inform you of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the University City/1R Project Block area. When significant events occur, you will receive an e-mail update.

### UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The City of San Diego has been undergrounding utility lines since 1970. Approximately 1,200 miles of overhead utility lines remain to be undergrounded. The City, in cooperation with SDG&E, Cox Communications, Time Warner and AT&T, is currently undergrounding the utility lines in your community.

### PROJECT BLOCK 1R HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.4 miles of utilities will be undergrounded
- 379 private residences will have their utilities undergrounded
- 50 street lights will be installed
- 115 shade trees will be installed
- 42 curb ramps will be installed
- Streets will be resurfaced or slurry sealed curb-to-curb

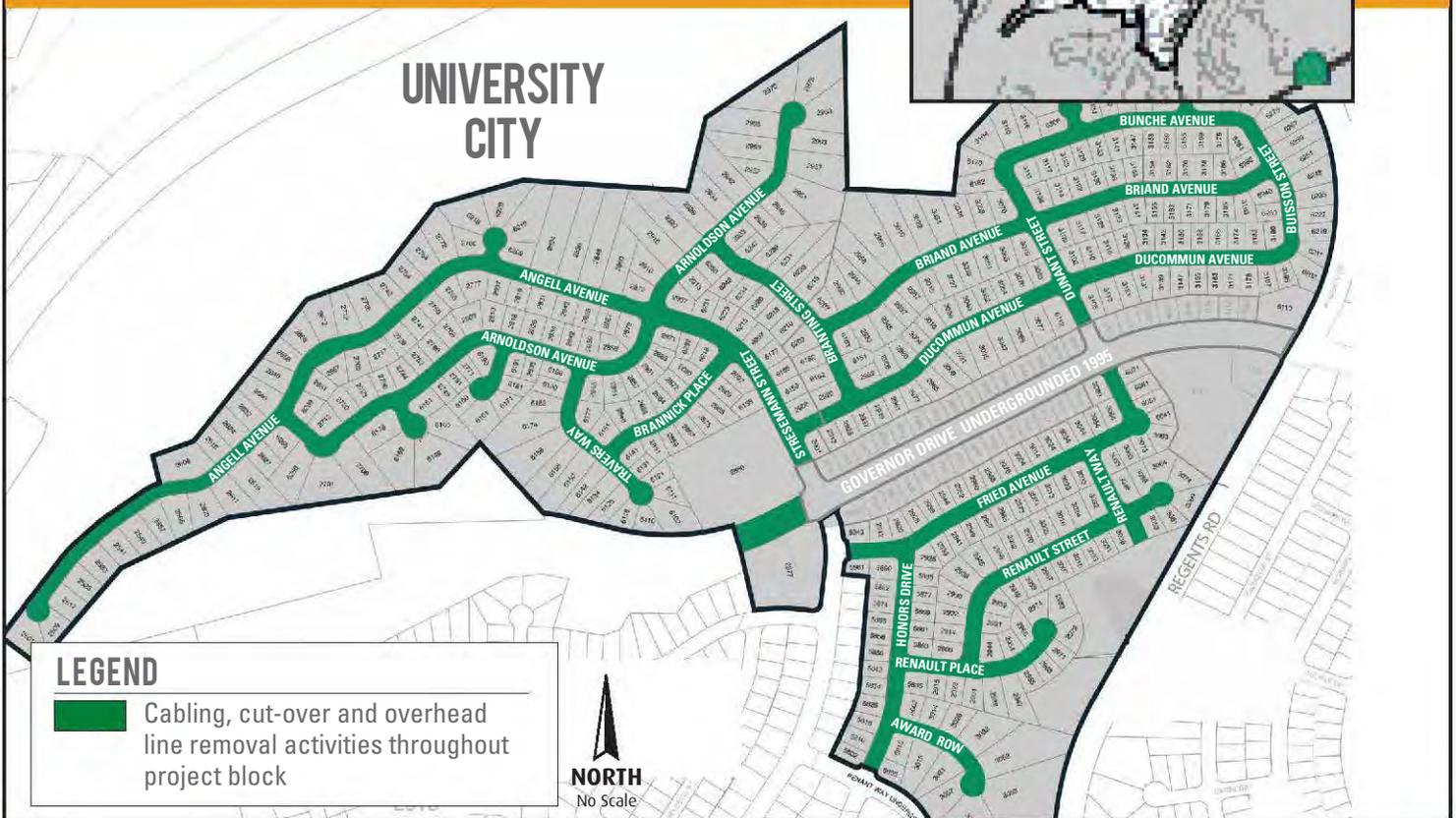
### PROJECT BLOCK 1R CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY PHASES

- Construction start: April 2009
- Panel and trench work: Complete
- Cabling and cut-overs: February 2010 - October 2011
- Streetlight Installation: Winter 2011
- Overhead line removal: Complete by Winter 2011
- AT&T services: Complete by January 2012
- Street resurfacing: mid-2012

### CURRENT PROJECT BLOCK 1R CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Finalizing customer cut-overs and installing streetlights.

### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION AREA MAP : UNIVERSITY CITY



## PANEL AND TRENCHING ACTIVITIES

**All panel and trenching work is now complete.** If you have any questions or concerns about the electrical or trenching work completed on your property, please do not hesitate to contact the contractor listed on the door hanger we left at your property.

## CABLING, CUT-OVER AND OVERHEAD LINE REMOVAL ACTIVITIES

After a majority of the trenching operations were completed by the trenching contractor, the cabling portion of the project began. Another contractor performed the cabling work. Cabling involves technicians placing new utility lines in the new conduits, so that the new lines can be "energized" and brought into service. Once the new system has been energized, the process to "cut-over" customers from overhead to underground services will begin. Once customers have been cut-over, the overhead lines will be removed. We anticipate this process will move very swiftly and it's not nearly as disruptive or distracting as the trenching work, which is why you may not even see us working.

**SDG&E is 100% complete with their cabling and cut-over activities.**

**Time Warner Cable is 100% complete with their cabling and cut-over activities as well.**

**AT&T is 100% complete with their cabling activities and 75% complete with their cut-over activities. They are scheduled to finish by the end of January 2012.**



Crew members roll up recently removed over-head utility lines.

Once SDG&E, Time Warner Cable and AT&T have all completed removing their overhead lines, the utility poles will be removed by SDG&E and AT&T.

## STREETLIGHT INSTALLATION

**99% of the streetlights have been installed.**

## CORRECTION NOTICES

**All panel work has been completed and inspected in the 1R Project Block.** Most of these corrections were minor and were the responsibility of the property owner. Corrections needed to be completed before we could cut customers over to the new underground system.

## SAFETY

If you see anyone on your property that is not visibly wearing an identification badge, or if they are in a vehicle that is not marked with a contractor or utility company name, please call the Information Line at (619) 533-3841 or the San Diego Police Department. The construction crew must travel in marked vehicles and have proper identification at all times on the job site.

## CONTACT US

In the event that you are not satisfied or pleased with the work that was done on your property or your street, please let us know. **Please do not attempt to make corrections, adjustments or improvements yourself.** We promise to work with you on reaching a solution or creating an outcome that meets your needs and ours in this process. We will not be able to switch your services to the new underground system if any modifications were done to our work. If you are unsure about the status of the work that has taken place on your property or your street, contact us at:

- Information Line: (619) 533-3841
- Email: [undergrounding@sandiego.gov](mailto:undergrounding@sandiego.gov)

## UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM VIDEO

A video about the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be seen by visiting our web site at [www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding](http://www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding) and clicking on video. By watching it, you can see all the processes associated with our work and gain a better understanding of what is involved in completing those processes.

We thank you in advance for your patience and support while we complete the Utilities Undergrounding Program project in the University City community.