



Azalea Road Project Lake Craig Flood Management



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Timeline

2015 JANUARY/FEBRUARY
Project complete

2014 NOVEMBER/DECEMBER
Installation of sidewalk
Final paving of new and existing road
Installation of Stormwater BMPs
Installation of waterline to soccer facility

2014 SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER
Assembly of bridge
Sidewalk installation
Patching existing Azalea Road

2014 SPRING/SUMMER
Grading floodplain and bridge construction begun

2014 FEBRUARY
Grading
Bridge abutments
Stream restoration

2013 JUNE 15
Begin construction

2013 MAY 21
Award construction contract

2013 FEBRUARY 6
Planning & Zoning Review
([minutes & audio recording](#))

2012 DECEMBER 7
Technical Review Committee review

2012 SEPTEMBER 25
[Environmental assessment](#) completed.

2012 MARCH through NOVEMBER 2nd and 3rd community meetings held

2012 FEBRUARY 14
Presentation to City Council

2011 NOVEMBER 4
First community meeting

What's happening now?

The bridge for the new section of road is now complete. Crews are working on finishing the installation of sidewalks and guardrails. A traffic circle has been installed where the new one-way section intersects the existing road to facilitate traffic during high use periods. Paving on both sections will soon be completed. NC Department of Transportation has finished the sidewalk and changes to the roadway at the intersection of Azalea and Swannanoa River Road. A traffic signal will be installed at the intersection.

Work on the waterline to the soccer facilities is nearing completion. A final component of the project will be the installation of stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) to help manage stormwater run-off. The project will be completed by the end of February 2015.

Why it's happening

Phase I of the Lake Craig / Azalea Road Improvements Project is an effort to better manage high water flood events and create new and improved infrastructure for vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists at one of the City of Asheville's most popular park complexes. The \$3.7 million project [uses a mix of federal and state local funds](#) and will include:

- Much needed [flood control](#)
- Traffic signal and turn lane along NC 81 near the [WNC Nature Center, Recreation Park](#), and the [John B. Lewis Soccer Complex](#) (NCDOT project)
- Sidewalks along Swannanoa River Road, a bike path and road improvements along Azalea Road
- One-way road into the John B. Lewis Soccer Complex to improve safety

Supporting documents

[Environmental assessment](#)
[Aerial photo of proposed project](#)

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