



STATE OF TEXAS CAPITOL COMPLEX PROJECT PHASE II



Texas Capitol Complex Update

Progress updates on the Capitol Complex Project | **September 2023**

SPECIAL FOOTBALL UPDATE



Welcome Back to UT Longhorn Football Tailgating

The Texas Facilities Commission is proud to offer UT Football Tailgating on State property near the university campus. For details on tailgating policies, tailgating lots, parking and maps, please visit our [webpage](#).



GAME DAY REMINDERS

State Employee Game Day Parking

- State employees are permitted one FREE parking space in either State garage A, E, F, G, or J on a first come, first served basis. (Garage T and W are also available for Capitol Complex employees with badge access to these garages).
- State parking locations not listed above will be closed and barricaded, and not available for public access.
- The 16th St. entrance to State garage J will be closed in the morning on game days, however State employees may enter on Guadalupe Street.
- State employees are required to show the parking attendant a State of Texas employee ID for a FREE parking permit. DPS parking stickers on vehicles are not sufficient for free entry.

Closed STATE GARAGE for UT Issued Alumni Parking Permits Only.

- ALL spaces in State garage B, Q, and R are temporarily leased to the University of Texas for Football Home Games. ALL spaces are utilized for parking with a UT Issued Alumni Parking Permit Only.
- State employees and the general public are not permitted to utilize these State garages without the proper UT issued permit.
- Garage B, located at 1511 San Jacinto Blvd.
- Garage Q, located at 1610 San Jacinto Blvd.
- Garage R, located at 1706 San Jacinto Blvd.



2023 TEXAS HOME FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 2 – RICE @ 2:30 PM

Sept. 16 – WYOMING @ 7 PM

Sept. 30 – KANSAS (TBA)

Oct. 28 – BYU (TBA)

Nov. 4 – KANSAS STATE (TBA)

Nov. 24 (Friday) – TEXAS TECH @ 6:30 PM

Construction Traffic Updates

SAFETY ALERT:

Drive defensively and slow down on 15th Street



15th Street & Congress Lane Closures: The westbound lane of 15th Street from Brazos Street to Lavaca Street (adjacent to the construction site) will be closed for the duration of the Capitol Complex construction project. This lane will be used as a construction loading zone for the building projects. Watch out for heavy equipment and construction vehicles entering and exiting the loading zone at Brazos and exiting at Lavaca. **THE SIDEWALK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF 15th STREET IS CLOSED.** Please use the sidewalk in front of the Capitol instead.

Colorado Street is Closed. Colorado Street will be closed between 15th Street and 16th Street for the duration of the project. Please drive carefully in this area.

Follow us on X (formerly known as Twitter) for specific details on street and closures. [@TFCtx](#)

Pedestrian Updates

Walking Routes

Need a map? Use the special sidewalk routes developed for this project. ([Download a map here.](#))

Onsite Maps - Look for the six foot, red, A-frame signs for a current map of the sidewalk routes around the construction. Use your smart phone to scan the QR code on the signs to open a pdf of the Capitol Complex Travel map you can take along with you.

Traveling from the Bullock Museum to the Capitol - [Watch this video.](#)

Closed Sidewalks

All sidewalks adjacent to the construction zone are closed.

- **CLOSED:** Colorado between 15th & 16th Street (All Sidewalks) – Use the sidewalks on the west side of Lavaca Street to travel north or south or use the covered sidewalk next to the Robert E. Johnson Building (REJ) building to travel north or south.
- **CLOSED:** Congress between 15th & 16th street (All Sidewalks) – Use the covered walkway along the REJ Building instead.
- **CLOSED:** 15th Street between Lavaca & Congress (North) – Use the sidewalk on the Capitol side of the street instead.
- **CLOSED:** Lavaca between 15th & 16th Streets (East and South) – Use the sidewalk along the William P. Clements (WPC) building instead.

Closed Crosswalks

- **CLOSED:** Congress & 15th Street
- **CLOSED:** Colorado & 15th Street
- **CLOSED:** Colorado & 16th Street (East, West, and South)
- **CLOSED:** Lavaca & 15th Street (East and North)
- **CLOSED:** Lavaca & 16th Street (East and South)



Where to Cross 15th Street

- **Congress** – Use the Brazos Street crosswalk.
- **Lavaca** – Use the west crosswalk closest to the Double Tree Hotel.

IMPORTANT FOR YOUR SAFETY



Construction zone on 15th Street between Congress Avenue and Lavaca Street. The construction loading zone occupies the northern lane of 15th Street. Watch out for construction vehicles entering and exiting from this lane. [Watch the video.](#)



Watch your step! There is uneven pavement and detours in this area.



PLEASE - Respect the flaggers.



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Construction Progress Report



Work is now underway on all three sites of the Phase II project. Ongoing work at the 1501 Lavaca site includes mass excavation and material removal with shotcrete and rock anchor installation. Excavation will continue through the end of the year.

Site clearing and grubbing is currently underway on both the 1500 Congress site and final block of the Texas Capitol Mall. Upcoming work includes the relocation of underground utilities in the area in preparation for further excavation.

The Texas Facilities Commission is proud to share these exciting project milestones with you. Please share this newsletter with others who may be interested in the progress of Phase II of the Capitol Complex.

24-7 Construction Cameras

There are three construction cameras documenting this iconic project. Watch the progress on all these projects via the construction cameras on our project website. www.TexasCapitolComplex.org

[View Images from the Construction Cameras](#)



The Capitol Complex Project newsletter will soon feature a new **Team Spotlight** series that will provide information on the background, expertise and inspiration of the amazing companies building the historic Phase II project. Keep an eye on this section. We are just getting started and there is a lot more to come!

Photo courtesy of JR RAMON Demolition.

Neighborhood News

Bullock Texas State History Museum



AUSTIN MUSEUM DAY - September 17, 2023, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Participate in Austin Museum Day, explore your family history, and celebrate Grandparents Day with activities that connect generations!

Commemorate Grandparent's Day at the Bullock Museum for Austin Museum Day! Bond through playing a variety of classic games together and create your very own historic Cup and Ball game. Enjoy FREE admission for all three floors of Texas History and join drop-in activities designed with the whole family in mind from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Special family programs combine art creation, activity stations, and in-gallery discovery centers. Check out the day's activities here: [Austin Museum Day 2023 | Bullock Texas State History Museum \(thestoryoftexas.com\)](https://www.thestoryoftexas.com/austin-museum-day-2023)

Blanton Museum of Art



B-Scene – September 22, 2023, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Austin's favorite art party is back—remixed and better than ever!

Four times a year, you are invited to spend a night at the museum. More art than ever before, plus live music, food, drinks, art activities, dancing, and late-night hours.

Get your wristbands and details here: [B Scene - Blanton Museum of Art](https://www.blantonmuseumofart.org/b-scene)

Waterloo Greenway



Cardio Dance – Fall 2023 Series at the Moody Amphitheater - September 12th - October 31st.

Tuesdays | 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Kick off your Tuesday evenings with a dance party! A rotating schedule will cover all types of dances including tango, samba, ballroom, Afro-Latin flow, and more. Instructor-led classes. All ages and abilities welcome. No dance partner or experience required. RSVP recommended, but not required.

Details and reservations here: [Cardio Dance - Fall 2023 - Waterloo Greenway Conservancy](#)

Moody Center



Many exciting September events are planned at the Moody Center. Acts from the Jonas Brothers, to Drake, to Sting. Get details, book tickets and find parking here. <https://moodycenteratx.com/>

Visit the projet website at

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