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City of Duluth to begin blasting for rock removal on the Sixth Avenue E extension project on June 25, 2024

[DULUTH, MN] The City of Duluth will begin rock removal for the Sixth Avenue E extension project through controlled blasting on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 between E First Street and E Second Street. The blasting schedule and warning schedule is as follows:

Blasting Schedule:

Start Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Duration: Approximately 2 weeks

Blast Times: Monday through Friday at noon and 4 PM

Residents and businesses in the vicinity of Sixth Avenue E are advised to be aware of the following expected warnings:

- 5 minutes before blast: Warning signal is a 1-minute series of long air horn blasts
- 1 minute before blast: Blasting signal is a 1-minute series of short air horn blasts
- After blast: All-clear signal is a prolonged horn blast following inspection of blast area.

The City of Duluth is committed to ensuring the safety of and minimal disruption to the community during this necessary construction activity. The blasts are scheduled for specific times to allow residents and businesses to prepare and take any necessary precautions.

The blast area surrounding the blast site will be secured, and access will be restricted during the blasting times. Each blasting area will be covered with mats and tires so there is no flying rock. Noise and vibrations from the blasts are expected but will be closely monitored by sensors around the site to stay within safe limits.

The City of Duluth appreciates the community's cooperation and understanding during the work on this important infrastructure project. These efforts are essential for improving the City's infrastructure and ensuring long-term benefits for our residents and businesses.

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