UDOT Update: US 89 Road Widening

The Manti to Keller Lane project on US 89 will consist of adding one northbound and one southbound lane in addition to shoulder widening from 850 North to Keller Lane starting July 15th.

Excavation will begin on both sides of the roadway for the first eight weeks of the project. Paving is scheduled to begin in the middle of September and end the second week of October.

There will be minor construction activity following paving (pavement marking, fencing, signs and seeding) with the project finishing the second week of November.

Lane closures will occur each day with flaggers and a pilot car operation in place. We have adjusted our schedule to accommodate the Sanpete County Fair the week of August 17th through the 24th. Only minimal impact is anticipated on this 2-mile long project.

Amendment to Open Burn Restrictions

The Open Burn policy has been amended to allow pit fires for cooking purposes without requiring a permit.

As per request of the Ephraim City Fire Chief, Kerry Steck, the City Council has banned all other open burning between now and September 1st without a written permit from the Chief.

If you would like to request a burn permit, you may contact Chief Steck at 851-0424.
Preparing our Yards to Increase Wildlife

1. **FOOD**
   Each tree and shrub species has a different food value and attracts different animals. Some, like cherries, may be relished by as many as 50 species of birds. Others, such as forsythia, or fruitless cultivars have little wildlife value. Having a wide variety of trees with high food value is the single best way to increase your pleasure of viewing wildlife.

   Suggested Wildlife Feeders:
   - Cherries
   - Plums
   - Dogwoods
   - Berries
   - Apples
   - Sumacs
   - Hazels
   - Oaks
   - Chestnuts

2. **COVER**
   Cover is essential to attract wildlife. It provides protection for breeding, nesting, sleeping, traveling, and hiding from enemies. Ideal cover for a wide range of animals is provided by dense plantings of conifers. In urban settings, even a single spruce tree will help.

   Suggested Cover Plants:
   - Cedars
   - Mulberries
   - Pines
   - Spruces
   - Raspberries
   - Firs
   - Hollies
   - Hemlocks
   - Oaks

3. **WATER**
   Water is as essential for wildlife as it is for humans. Provide it and you will be rewarded with more birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

Upcoming Events

**CITY SPORTS**

- **The Soccer Field Day** for grades 1-8 which was to be held July 31st has been re-scheduled for August 5th from 5:00 - 6:00 pm. west of the tennis courts.

   Please bring appropriate shoes, shin guards, soccer ball if you have one, drinking water, and a good attitude!

   There will be no field day for pre-school or kindergarten.

   **Flag Football** registration will be in process from August 1st to August 30th.

   Please address questions to Phillip Murray at 851-3954.

**SKYLINE FAMILY HEALTH EXPO 5K RUN AND 15K BIKE RACE**

This event will be held September 6th. There will be vendor booths, classes held by health care professionals, and games and prizes for all. There will also be a free screening of “Fed Up” at the Towne Theatre. Bring the family for a day of fun.

Utah Heartland Farmers’ Market

A new farmer’s market will be starting this Fall to serve Ephraim and the Sanpete County area! Thanks to the support of Ephraim City, Ephraim Community Garden, and a generous grant from Utah State University, it will take place at Ephraim Square, which includes the Ephraim Co-op, Granary Arts and Ephraim Community Garden on 100 North Main Street.

Because this is our first year, we need to get the word out to everyone who wishes to sell, buy, or trade locally produced foods and goods. If you are an avid gardener, farmer, artist or craftsman and would like to sell at the market please contact us. We’re also looking for people to perform during the market if you or someone you know has a talent they’d like to share.

The purpose of the market is to encourage local trade, and to provide access to fresh, natural and more healthful food for our community. See you there!

Saturdays beginning August 9th
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
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