

Public Works Role in Mitigating Construction Impacts of Private Development
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The City of Aspen is experiencing a high rate of redevelopment. These projects consist of everything from single family homes to large commercial developments. The common factor in all the projects is limited space. Each project builds from lot line to lot line leaving little space for constructing the project. Many times this limited space forces the developers to approach the City in using the Right of Way (ROW) to build these projects. In addition to the use of the ROW, the developers often put strains on the neighborhoods with noise, dust and increased traffic associated with the development. Lastly these projects have required an upgrade of the city's utility infrastructure including the storm system, sanitary system, electrical and gas systems.

In response to these pressures the City has developed a program to manage these issues to minimize impact to the traveling public, maintain a resort community atmosphere for its tourists, reduce construction impacts to neighborhoods, while allowing the development to proceed as quickly as possible. The construction management program includes managing stormwater, noise, dust, aesthetics, safety to the traveling public, and construction standards for work within the ROW.