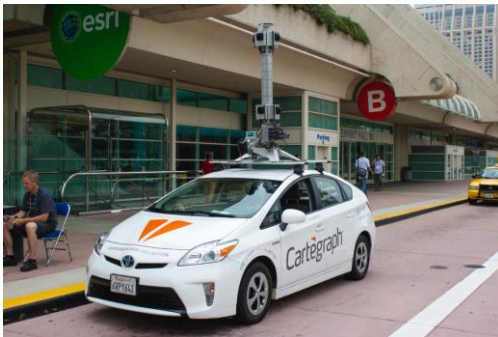




City of Hemet Public Works Technology Project Hits the Road October 1st!

The City of Hemet has contracted with Cartegraph Systems Inc., to collect information about City assets in public right-of-ways. The Cartegraph team will drive two specialized vehicles through every street in the city limits recording imagery that will be used to create a GIS mapping of a number of assets including street lights, street signs, trees, storm drain inlets, water hydrants, manholes, and valves. Data collection will begin Wednesday morning, October 1, 2014.



In addition to right of way imagery, the project will also provide a valuable city-wide pavement condition inspection. Having a complete city-wide inspection will assist the Public Works and Engineering Departments in more efficiently planning street maintenance, obtaining alternative funding for maintenance costs, and establishing operating budget needs into the future.

Kris Jensen, Public Works Director, shared that "City staff is very excited about this project as it will provide the most comprehensive inventory of our assets and streets that the City has ever had. The information collected will tie directly into our current work order system, allowing us to create a linked work history on each asset in real time. Instant access to this type of mapped information is invaluable when emergencies occur, and will help us expedite response in those situations. With our current staffing levels, it would take the City more than five years to produce what the Cartegraph team can deliver in five months."

The imagery collection portion of the project is expected to be completed in approximately two weeks, weather permitting. Cartegraph staff will be collecting data daily, including weekends, and the vehicles will display not only the Cartegraph logo, but also the City Seal. For any questions regarding this project, please call Public Works at 951-765-3712.