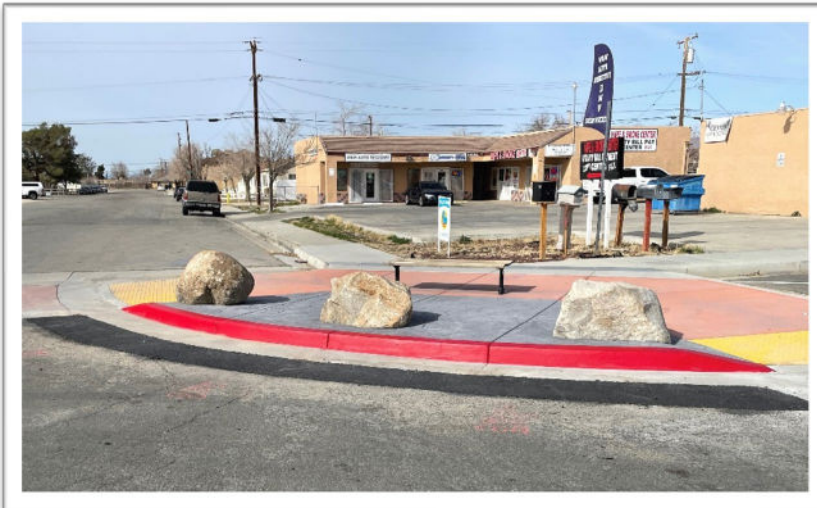


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Ribbon-cutting Celebrating the Diamond Street Improvements *Strengthening pedestrian safety and economic growth of the business corridor*



- What:** Kern County Public Works celebrates the completion of the Diamond Street Improvements with a ribbon-cutting.
- When:** **Friday, May 5, 2023**
10 a.m.
- Where:** **Karl's Hardware**
2700 Diamond Street, Rosamond, CA 93560
- Who:** Ribbon-cutting Remarks and Attendees:
- Kern County Supervisor Zack Scrivner, District 2 – *Master of Ceremonies*
 - Kern County Public Works Staff
 - Eric Landsgaard, Owner of Karl's Hardware
 - Jack Miller, Rosamond Chamber of Commerce
- Background:** Join Kern County Public Works, elected officials, and community members as we celebrate the completion of the Diamond Street Improvements.

In 2015, the first improvements on Diamond Street between Rosamond Boulevard and Orange Street were constructed with the goal to promote economic growth along the Diamond Street business corridor, which includes businesses such as Karl's Hardware, Hideaway Family Diner, Rosamond Market, Expert Automotive, The Tire Store, and many more.

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Improvements along the street included solar lights, benches, ADA ramps, landscape planters, trees, and irrigation. After enduring extensive damage and loss of infrastructure, it became necessary to rehabilitate the area and take this opportunity to improve pedestrian safety.

To improve pedestrian safety and enhance the community, raised curbs, decorative concrete, irrigation repairs, boulder installation, and landscape planter modifications were built, along with tree planting.

The initial improvement project cost \$2,992,860 and was completed in September 2015. The rehabilitation project began in January 2023 and was completed in April 2023 with a cost of \$345,998. Kern County Public Works' total investment in the Diamond Street business corridor comes to \$3,338,858.

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