

City of Tempe HAWK Beacon Signal

The High Intensity Activated CrossWalk (also known as the HAWK) is a new pedestrian crossing signal recently installed at two mid-block crossings in Tempe. These two crossings are located just north of Elliot Road at the Western Canal on Rural Road and on McClintock Drive. The HAWK crossings were installed as part of the Western Canal Multi-Use Path Project.

How does it work?

Pedestrian/Bicyclist:

- When you approach the signal, a solid “don’t walk” symbol will be displayed.



- To cross the street, press the button to activate the beacon signal.
- After several seconds, the pedestrian “walk” symbol illuminates.



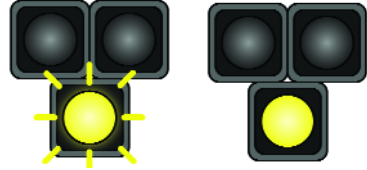
- When the “walk” symbol is illuminated, you may cross the street while watching for oncoming traffic.
- After the “walk” time is complete, a flashing “don’t walk” symbol will appear and you should finish crossing the street.



- Do not begin to cross the street during the flashing “don’t walk” symbol.
- Once the signal cycle is complete, a solid “don’t walk” symbol is displayed.

Motorist:

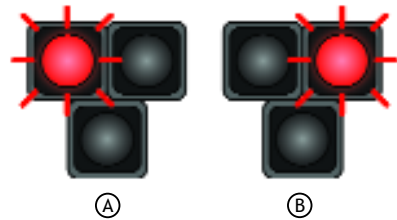
- The beacon signal will flash yellow for several seconds and then change to solid yellow, letting you know that you need to prepare to stop.



- The beacon signal then turns solid red letting you know that you must stop.



- The beacon signal then displays an alternating flashing red light.



- After coming to a complete stop and making sure there are no pedestrians in the crosswalk, you are then allowed to proceed through the crossing even though the beacon signal is flashing red.
- Once the pedestrian is safely through the intersection, the signal will turn off. You may then proceed through the crossing without stopping.

