

City crews to shore up Reedy River

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goal is to work on it until Thursday."

City of Greenville crews begin early today on two weeks of shoring up about 500 feet along the Reedy River bank to forestall erosion, a city official said.

Mike Murphy, the city's public works director, said the job will involve city crews who will begin working on the Peace Center side of the river. The crews will lower the river and take boulders in the river and place them alongside the riverbank.

"It's for the erosion around the drainage pipe" on the Peace Center side of the river, Murphy said. He said the job will look like the rocks that are similarly arranged on the Riverplace side of the river.

The job isn't budgeted to cost any more than the \$4,200 paid to consultants who helped with the project, he said.

"There's no cost to the city," Murphy said. "Our

The crews will break so that wedding receptions and related events on the Wyche Pavilion side of the Reedy aren't disrupted.

The city also spoke with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who are experts in the field, said Matthew Oni Maxey, an acting assistant engineer. He said in a prepared statement that the city also met with the state Department of Health and Environmental Control, Upstate Forever and Friends of the Reedy River, two local environmental groups.

Murphy said this is an opportune time of year to do the work between summer's end and before the Thanksgiving holidays. He said the city also didn't want to disrupt anything involving last weekend's St. Francis Fall for Greenville festival.

"These next few weeks will be perfect," he said.