



METROPOLITAN WATER TUNNEL PROGRAM

NOTICE TO ABUTTERS

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The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) will be conducting field work to support a major water supply tunnel program in the Metropolitan Boston Area. The two proposed water tunnels will improve reliability for our water infrastructure and allow our aging existing water tunnel system to be rehabilitated without interrupting service.

As part of the design effort, MWRA has hired GEI-Delve Joint Venture and other firms to perform pavement cores, vacuum excavations, and test borings to study the existing geological conditions, as well as collecting subsurface soil samples. Observation wells may be installed within selected boreholes to measure groundwater levels.

The site activities will include establishing a work area around each boring location, to provide providing a working space for a drill rig, support trucks, and equipment. Erosion and sedimentation controls will be installed, as needed. At each of the boring locations, the work is estimated to take about 1 to 2 days to complete, including site set-up and breakdown. Upon completion of site activities, our crews will restore the work sites.

MWRA has planned for a total of six test borings along Fremont Street, Charles Street, Wexford Street, Arlington Road, and Brook Road in Needham. The work will be on the public roadways and not on any private property.

Work is scheduled to begin on or around December 9th, weather dependent, and occur typically between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Construction Zone Safety Plans will be implemented to ensure worker and general public safety in each area.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact:

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