METROPOLITAN WATER TUNNEL PROGRAM NOTICE TO ABUTTERS



Newton

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, the MWRA has hired CDM Smith and other firms to perform test borings to drill and collect samples of soil and rock, conduct logging and permeability testing in each boring, and install piezometers within the boreholes to measure groundwater levels.

The site activities will include installation of temporary construction fencing and erosion and sedimentation controls around the work area to provide working space for a drill rig and support trucks, equipment, material storage, etc. At this location, the work is estimated to take about 6 to 8 weeks, including site set-up and breakdown. Upon completion of site activities, our crews will restore the work site.

MWRA has planned for test boring and vacuum exploration activities within the grassy clearing located at the end of Countryside Road, within the former water tower parcel. All work will be outside of roadways and contained within the grassy area.

Work is scheduled to begin the week of August 15th, 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 for traffic control, and ensuring worker and general public safety in each area.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact:

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