

## Town of Ridgefield Water Pollution Control Authority

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

RE: Route 7 Pump Station, Force Main and WWTF Decommissioning Project Work on Haviland Road between Still Road and Route 7

Dear Resident:

We are writing to inform you of the nighttime work scheduled to take place along <u>Haviland Road between Still Road and Route 7</u>. Work in this area is planned to begin Friday of this week or the beginning of next week. In an effort to reduce commuter disruption due to the force main construction project, the work taking place in this area will be limited to the second shift, 3 pm to 11 pm. There will be no morning work in this area. Weekend work will not occur unless there is an emergency situation that needs to be addressed. The WPCA's Engineer, AECOM, will have a resident representative on site with the Contractor during construction. The afternoon school busing schedule is being coordinated with the Ridgefield Public Schools during this second shift construction. Buses will be allowed by the construction unless there is a risk to Public Safety.

With respect to impacts to your daily lives, there may be from time-to-time delays travelling through the neighborhood. Police Officers will be on detail to direct traffic and to protect public safety, and the Contractor will be required to maintain a safe and neat work zone. However, you may be inconvenienced for short periods when work is done right in front of your home, and you may experience short delays from time to time in entering or leaving the neighborhood. Parking will also be disrupted from time to time, and you may need to make other arrangements for parking for brief periods, when the work crews are working in very close proximity to your home.

If you have any questions about the construction, please feel free to call:

AECOM's Resident Representative at 860-671-3536; or M&O Construction's Superintendent at 860-307-6301 (Will Kennedy)

Should a resident have an emergency, please continue to contact your local emergency departments.

The WPCA will be posting weekly construction updates on the Town's website for residents and businesses to view at <a href="https://www.ridgefieldct.org/water-pollution-control-authority-wpca.">www.ridgefieldct.org/water-pollution-control-authority-wpca.</a>

In addition, we would like to offer the following advice/suggestions to help you cope with this project work:

## Helpful Hints to Ease the Impact of Construction - Safety is our Prime Concern

Maintaining a safe construction work zone is the top priority for the Town of Ridgefield project as it moves through the Town's neighborhoods.

## You can help by:

1. **Safety:** Reminding children – **EVERYDAY** – to walk only in safe areas as directed by the Police Officer on Detail or the Contractor. Caution them to stay away from the excavation site and construction equipment. **Please stay away from construction areas unless escorted or directed by construction personnel.** 

- 2. **School Busing:** The Ridgefield Public School Department has been coordinating with AECOM, the Town's Consulting Engineer and the Contractor regarding the school busing schedules which started on August 29, 2022.
- 3. Access: Residents will always have access to their homes. Senior citizens and people with disabilities, please feel free to ask the Contractor and/or the Police Officer on Detail to assist you to get you through any rough areas in front of your homes. These folks are there to help you and to keep the work zone safe. Trash pickup and other services will also continue. If deliveries need to be made to your home or service/repairmen need access, please coordinate the timing of these activities with the Contractor and Resident Representative; and always feel free to call our office for further assistance. Please remember that advance notice to the Resident Representative and Contractor of these activities will help us all!
- 4. **Emergency Access:** Please be assured that access will always be available for emergency services including ambulance, police, fire, DPW services, and utility repair crews, as well as for such services as mail and package deliveries, etc. The Police Officer on Detail will work closely with the Resident Representative and Contractor to provide emergency and routine access to your home or business.
- 5. **Vibration:** It is very likely that due to the nature of the soils in the neighborhood that the Contractor will, from time to time, have to hammer and remove rock during the course of this project, and so one can expect a certain amount of vibration associated with the excavation and installation of the pipes.

Again, we want to thank-you for your understanding, cooperation, and assistance as we work to complete this very important public improvement project in a timely and efficient manner.

If there are questions on this project, please also feel free to contact:

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