

Memo

To: Bethpage Residents

From: Edward Hannon, Project Director

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2021; 5 p.m.

Subject: RW-21 Piping installation (Sept 16 and 17)

Emma St (Between N. Herman and N. Windhorst) closure

Upcoming work on Central Avenue, N. Herman, S. Pershing, Brenner and Sheridan

Safe driving in work zones

Northrop Grumman is providing this progress report to you on the installation of piping to support the RW-21 groundwater treatment system project. Our contractors continue to conduct road work on townand county-owned streets along the piping route.

To date, we have excavated approximately 1,830 feet of trench along the utility corridor onto Sophia Street, North Herman Avenue, and Emma Street; installed approximately 1,820 feet of piping within the utility corridor, in Sophia Street and North Herman Avenue to Emma Street; installed temporary asphalt on Sophia Street and 1,260 feet on North Herman Avenue; excavated 440 feet of trench; installed 390 feet of piping; and installed 370 feet of asphalt on South Pershing and along Stewart Avenue. We completed our work with PSEG to secure utility poles to allow trenching to safely proceed. We substantially completed our work in the well vault on William Street.

This morning, our contractor's dump truck, which was full of clean soil and heavy, inadvertently backed onto the temporary steel plate over the trenched area in front of 37 Emma Street. This caused the dump truck to tilt slowly and land sideways into the trench. Over the course of a few hours, we up righted the truck, restored the work area, and continued working. There were no injuries and no property damage. We were immediately in touch with the homeowner. We are taking additional steps to ensure our drivers have greater visibility as they navigate their large vehicles along the steel plates.

Our schedule through September 17 is as follows:

Thursday, September 16 and Friday, September 17: Our crew continues trenching and piping installation on Emma Street (heading west toward Stewart). Our Stewart Avenue crew will continue trenching and installing piping at the intersection of Emma Street. We have started work in the well vault located behind St. Martin of Tours parish in the Town of Oyster Bay municipal parking lot. We expect this work to take several weeks and ask commuters to observe our work zone during work hours. Work will be completed by 4:30 p.m. With two crews working on Emma Street at the same time, we expect to complete this work between October 8 and October 15 (depending on weather conditions and the complexity of installation).

Preparation for upcoming work on Central Avenue: We are finalizing traffic control plans for our work to cross Central Avenue (at Grumman Road East/Hickey Blvd. 9/30 to 11/5) and Central Avenue (at Seaman Avenue 11/8 to 11/30). We are scheduled to begin installing traffic control signage on Central Avenue at the end of September. The work will be very complex and challenging to complete as we navigate a variety of existing utilities. It will require significant traffic controls to ensure our work crews are safe as we conduct the utility test pitting, asphalt cutting, trenching, piping installation and then restoration. The timing to complete this work is also weather dependent as we move into the Fall.

Preparation for upcoming work on North Herman Avenue and S. Pershing, Brenner and Sheridan: Once our crews complete Emma Street entirely, we anticipate beginning work to complete the piping on North Herman Avenue (Emma to Central) October 12-21 (trenching, piping installation

and restoration). At that time, our Stewart Avenue crew will begin its work on S. Pershing, Brenner and Sheridan (10/12-11/4).

Safe driving and walking through work zones: We are seeing a new increase in the speed of vehicles traveling on Stewart Avenue and will engage with the 8th Precinct for their enforcement support. In an effort to get drivers to slow down on approach to and in our work zones, we will again request that the NCPD reinstall the electronic "your speed is" signage on Stewart Avenue (both north and south of the Emma Street intersection).

As a reminder, Emma Street (at North Windhorst) has been excavated and plated. It will remain plated (approximately two weeks) until the piping is installed and the trench is backfilled. Out of an abundance of caution, due to the complexity of the work and materials stored on Emma Street (specifically between North Herman Avenue and North Windhorst Avenue), that segment of Emma Street remains closed until the work is complete there. Both the easternmost, northbound lane of Stewart Avenue and the intersection of Stewart Avenue and Emma Street remain closed as we conduct work.

Updates to Bethpage School District Walkers/Bus Routes: We want to thank the Nassau County Police Department and its crossing guard for their continued support assisting students as they safely cross Stewart Avenue to and from Central Blvd. Elementary School. Our flag personnel will continue assisting parents and children entering and exiting Central Blvd. through our work zone as we complete the work over the next three weeks. We provided an updated look-ahead schedule to Stacey Popkin in the Bethpage School District Transportation Office.

National Grid work in the area: National Grid has ongoing residential gas installation efforts in the area near our project work. We are in close coordination with their project teams so that their work and ours can proceed without delay.

ORANGE LINE IS CURRENT WORK ZONE; Black line is completed piping.



Work vehicles moving in and out of our staging area: You may also observe our equipment vehicles entering and exiting our staging area off Broadway south of Arthur Avenue.

Upcoming Virtual Community Meeting: I will review our upcoming work along Central Avenue (9/30-11/30); North Herman Avenue (10/12-21); and S. Pershing, Brenner and Sheridan (10/12-11/4) at our next virtual meeting. Call-in details are forthcoming.

If you have any questions about our project work or would like to be added to our opt-in community email list please contact **Dianne Baumert-Moyik via mobile at (516) 754-2645** or via email at <u>dianne.baumert-moyik@ngc.com</u>. Visit <u>www.northropgrumman.com/bethpage</u> for project updates. We appreciate everyone's continued support. Thank you.