# **Northeast Boundary Tunnel Project**



Florida Avenue NW Construction Site Newsletter June 27, 2019

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## Greetings, residents and businesses.

On or about Tuesday, July 9, 2019, DC Water's contractor will deliver a drill rig, which is a large piece of construction equipment, to the Florida Avenue NW Construction Site, located on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, NW between Florida Avenue and Rhode Island Avenue, NW. In order to relieve chronic sewer flooding, DC Water is constructing a diversion facility on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NW which will include a diversion chamber, a 20-foot diameter drop shaft, and other structures to convey flow from the existing sewer to the Northeast Boundary Tunnel. The drill rig will be used in the construction of the drop shaft.

Because of the size of the drill rig, it will be necessary to deliver it during hours when traffic is reduced on Rhode Island Avenue. The estimated time of this delivery will be between 2:00 AM and 4:00 AM. The equipment is being moved from its current position at the Rhode Island NE Construction Site to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, NW site.

Residents should be advised they may experience noise from trucks and the removal of the drill rig from a large flatbed vehicle. Assembly of the drill rig will not occur during the overnight hours. The drill rig will be assembled during regular construction hours, 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM Monday – Friday.

On or about the same day, July 9, work will begin within the fenced construction site to install secant piles as support for the excavation of the drop shaft. For this work, which is expected to be completed in 12 weeks, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, NW will continue to be closed to traffic and sidewalk closures will be in place as well as a pedestrian detour on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NW.

#### **Pedestrian Detour**

• The crosswalks across 3<sup>rd</sup> Street at Florida Avenue and Rhode Island Avenue, NW will be reduced in width, but will allow for continued safe pedestrian crossing during construction.

#### **Additional Information**

- People who live or work near the affected locations will notice additional construction equipment and personnel as well as noise associated with construction activities.
- Commuters and pedestrians will notice road signs and/or flagging personnel directing them safely around the work site. Please slow down, stay calm, and be patient as you approach the work zone.
- Pedestrians will notice signage for the closed sidewalks reducing access. Follow the pedestrian detour to safely cross 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, NW.

### For more information, please contact

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Northeast Boundary Tunnel Project Webpage: <a href="https://documents.com/NEBT">dcwater.com/NEBT</a>

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The pedestrian detour is indicated by green arrows. The crosswalks at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Florida Avenue, NW and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Rhode Island Avenue, NW will be open.

