



## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ADVISORY

### DC Clean Rivers Project - Northeast Boundary Tunnel Shaft Excavation Work to Begin at 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE

Pedestrian crosswalk to be closed at intersection of Rhode Island Avenue, NE and 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE

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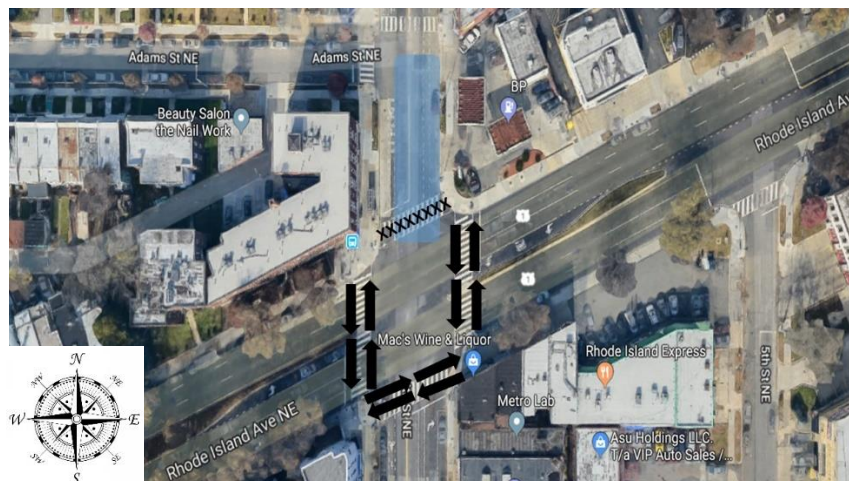
(Washington, DC) – In preparation for construction associated with the DC Water Northeast Boundary Tunnel (NEBT) ([dcwater.com/NEBT](http://dcwater.com/NEBT)), DC Water's contractor will begin setting up for shaft excavation activities on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE at the intersection of Rhode Island Avenue, NE. This will require the current work site on 4<sup>th</sup> Street to be expanded into one lane of Rhode Island Avenue. Subsequently, westbound traffic on Rhode Island Avenue will be reduced from three lanes to two lanes as it moves past the construction site. Once past the intersection with 4<sup>th</sup> Street, motorists can again utilize three travel lanes.

Shaft excavation activities will begin on or about Monday, May 6, 2019. Work hours will be 7 AM to 7 PM Monday through Friday. This work will take 12 months to complete.

Access to all the businesses in the vicinity will remain open during construction activities.

#### Pedestrian Impacts

The pedestrian crosswalk across 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE at Rhode Island Avenue, NE intersection will be closed for approximately 12 months. Detour signs will guide pedestrians to safely cross Rhode Island Avenue, NE and the southern intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE.



Map of the pedestrian detour at the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NE, and Rhode Island Avenue, NE

## Travel Restrictions

Westbound Rhode Island Avenue, NE traffic will merge left around the 4th Street, NE construction and then return to three-lane travel immediately past the intersection.



Map of the travel restrictions on the 400-block of Rhode Island Avenue, NE

## Safety Information

- Commuters and pedestrians will notice road signs and/or flagging personnel directing them around the work site. **Obey road crews flaggers and pay attention to signs.**
- As a result of the construction work, commuters may experience congestion within the 250-foot designated work area. **Don't tailgate, keep a safe distance, and don't drive distracted.**
- **Please be patient and stay calm.** Plan to allow extra time while traveling around the area. Check real-time traffic apps and the NEBT website for updated traffic impacts.

## Additional Information

- Access to all businesses in the vicinity will remain open during construction activities. Motorists will see flaggers guiding them into the BP Gas Station if they choose to enter.
- People who live or work near the affected locations will notice additional construction equipment and personnel as well as noise associated with construction activities.

## Project Details

The Northeast Boundary Tunnel is the largest component of the Clean Rivers Project. It begins south of RFK Stadium and will extend north to Rhode Island Avenue, NE and west to 6<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. When complete, the approximately five-mile long tunnel will significantly reduce chronic flooding in areas it serves.

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