



Freshwater Brook Sewer Replacement, Ph. 3 Project Newsletter Update

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Current Status of Phase 3

The deep pipe connections in the Lucknow/Fenwick Street intersection are now complete and the large diameter pipe is heading up Fenwick Street to connect to the pipe previously laid on South Park Street between Fenwick and South Streets. Once this connection is made the temporary sewage lift station now located at Fenwick/South Park Street will be relocated to the North side of Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery. This will allow the remainder of the pipe work on South Park Street to be connected to the previously laid pipe in the cemetery. The modifications and connections to the water transmission and distribution lines and a number of sewer pipes in the South Street/South Park Street intersection are also now complete. Work similar to this will take place in the Fenwick/South Park Street intersection during that connection.

When pipe work leaves the South/South Park Street intersection heading to Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery we will be connecting to the existing 1200mm combined Freshwater Brook Sewer thereby diverting a portion of it into the new system. The South Street pipe work is the last of the deep pipe work remaining to be completed on the project.

The new waterline on South Park Street is tested and disinfected. Houses will soon to be re-connected to the new waterline and the temporary water (blue pipe on the surface) will be removed. Curb and asphalt paving will follow.

On Fenwick Street between Queen and Lucknow restoration of the street has begun. Waterline testing and disinfection is starting in this section.

One of the normal side effects of blasting is the generation of blast gases. As a precautionary measure the contractor has provided commercial grade Carbon Monoxide detectors, along with instructions, to all residents within the blasting area. The contractor has also hired a private consultant to provide air quality monitoring and work with residents during the blasting operations. In the interest of resident safety, Halifax Water has also hired a consultant to provide third party air quality monitoring.

Halifax Water, Dexter Construction and Terrain Group are committed to completing the work as quickly and safely as possible. The work is complicated and challenging. We appreciate your patience during construction and regret any inconveniences. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact us (see contact information).

Restoration Schedule

Restoration involves the replacement, where needed, of concrete sidewalks, curb & gutter, as well as asphalt and landscaping. Below is the estimated schedule for restoration work.

South Park Street - Civic #1158 to South Street, curb/gutter is now reinstated. Asphalt to be placed the week of Sept.28th

Fenwick Street - Queen to Lucknow; water testing to start week of Sept.28th. Once water testing is complete, curb/gutter and sidewalk repair to start the week of October 5th. Asphalt placement to commence the latter part of the week of October 12th or early in the week of Oct.19th.

Fall Work Schedule 2009

Fenwick Street – Between Queen and Lucknow May 1st to latter part of week of October 12th or early part of the week of Oct.19th; Between Lucknow and South Park, Sept 8th to November 27th.

Fenwick/South Park Street Intersection - October 26th to November 26th;

South Park Street – Civic #1158 to South Street June 1st to October 2nd; South Street to Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery and the connection to the existing sewer at Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery to follow the Fenwick/South Park Street Intersection work.

South Street – approx. 60m east of South Park Street, to follow South Street to Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery and the connection to the existing sewer in Our Lady of Sorrows Cemetery work.

Final Connections to the Existing Sewers, including Fenwick Towers and the decommissioning of existing sewers; This work will take place after the new sewer system has been installed. It will be located in various areas and localized in nature.

The dates provided are the contractor's best projection at this time. Crews will and are making every effort to maintain the schedule.

Work Hours

Working hours are generally 7:00am to 6:00pm. It should be anticipated that the contractor might choose to work longer hours and weekends to meet the schedule.

What to Expect

Dust, noise and heavy equipment are common elements of construction, however we are committed to providing a work site that is safe and orderly. Temporary disruptions to services will occur but we will work with adjacent property owners to minimize inconvenience.

Pedestrian access (sidewalks) will generally be maintained during construction.



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Driveway Access – There will be no driveway access within the active worksite. Residents should make alternate arrangements. See “Parking” section of newsletter for availability of parking passes.

Signs - will be posted informing residents and the general public of necessary street closures and/or limited access.

Vehicular Traffic – Through traffic on Fenwick St., will not be maintained during construction, but properties will be generally accessible from one end or the other. **Please note that South Park Street between Fenwick Street and South Street is closed. There is one-way traffic north on South Park Street to the VG entrance for westbound traffic from South Street. Two-way traffic starts at the VG entrance towards Spring Garden Road. We expect to begin re-opening the South/South Park intersection to North, East and West traffic near the first of October.** There will be restricted access to driveways during construction.

Parking

Parking will be temporarily restricted in the general area of worksites to allow construction to proceed. Signs will be posted indicating the temporary restrictions. There will be no street parking (day or night) within the active construction zones. If you have any questions regarding parking and availability of parking passes, please contact Brad Blois, Terrain. (See “Contact Information” section)

Special Needs

Individuals with special needs who may be uniquely impacted by this project should contact the engineer in charge as soon as possible to make them aware of your situation. We will work with you in an attempt to minimize your inconvenience as much as possible.

Water Interruptions

As previously mentioned, during the course of the project, you may experience temporary water service disruptions. Water may be discoloured by the process of shutting down water mains, by the re-routing of water to maintain service, or by sediment. If this occurs, run cold water only until it appears clear.

Once the new water mains have been installed and disinfected, homeowners will be notified in advance of any disruptions in order to reconnect to the new water system.

Contact Information

Visit our website for project information at www.halifax.ca/hrwc. Freshwater Brook Sewer Replacement.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please feel free to contact one of the persons listed below.



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