



# METROPOLITAN WATER TUNNEL PROGRAM

## NOTICE TO ABUTTERS

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### NEWTON

The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) will be conducting field work to support a major water supply tunnel program in the Metropolitan Boston Area. The two proposed water tunnels will improve reliability for our water infrastructure and allow our aging existing water tunnel system to be rehabilitated without interrupting service.

As part of the design effort, MWRA has hired GEI-MJA JV and other firms to perform test borings to study existing geological conditions. Test borings will be drilled to collect rock core samples, and to conduct geophysical logging and permeability testing. Piezometers may be installed within selected boreholes to measure groundwater levels.

The site activities will include installation of temporary construction fencing and erosion and sedimentation controls around the work area to provide working space for a drill rig, support trucks, equipment, and material storage. At each of these locations, the work is estimated to take about 6 weeks, including site set-up and breakdown. Upon completion of site activities, our crews will restore the work site.

MWRA has planned for one test boring at the northern corner of the intersection of Christina Street and Goddard Street. All work will be outside of roadways and on land owned by the City of Newton. A portion of the sidewalk along Christina Street near the intersection will be closed temporarily to facilitate the work. Construction Zone Safety Plans will be implemented to ensure worker and general public safety in each area.

Work is scheduled to begin end of July, weather dependent, and occur typically between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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***If you have any concerns or questions, please contact:***

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