

City of Portsmouth

Department of Public Works



MEMORANDUM

TO: Karen Conard, City Manager

FROM: Zachary Cronin, Assistant City Engineer

CC: Suzanne Woodland, Deputy City Manager/Attorney
Peter Rice, Director
Terry Desmarais, City Engineer

DATE: April 12, 2022

SUBJECT: Sagamore Avenue Area Sewer Extension Project

The following e-blast will be sent this afternoon to the list of Sagamore Avenue homeowners affected by the Sewer Extension Project:

It has come to our attention that Severino Construction, the contractor on the Sagamore Avenue Sewer Extension Project distributed this letter to you yesterday regarding blasting scheduled to start May 2 by Maine Drilling & Blasting (MDB), the subcontractor. The letter also offers a free pre-blast survey of your property.

First, we apologize for not alerting you in advance that this next step in the Sagamore Avenue Sewer Extension Project was happening. We were awaiting word on the exact schedule when Severino/MDB inadvertently moved ahead with the pre-blast notices.

Second, please know that the pre-blasting survey is a routine consideration offered to homeowners when work like this is scheduled. Not all of the work will require blasting for rock removal but the process requires the entire area be notified and this takes time to complete. The City encourages you to take advantage of the free assessment.

This will be an item discussed at the preconstruction meeting on April 27, 2022. As always, if you have any questions, please contact me directly at any time: Zach Cronin, Assistant City Engineer and Project Manager at zmcronin@cityofportsmouth.com or 603.610.7304.