



# CITY OF WATERTOWN

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## Construction Update Week of April 27, 2025

*All work is weather dependent and subject to change.*

### **Water Meter Replacement Project**

In collaboration with Baystate Winsupply and Weston and Sampson, we are continuing to upgrade the City's water metering system. The Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) system allows our community to automatically retrieve meter readings without needing to enter the customer's home or facility or access their property. Please visit the link for more information.

### **Watertown High School Project**

Continued work on exterior finishes of high school building including paneling and curtain wall installation. Continued installation of interior fit-out and utility work. Please visit the link for more information.

### **Columbia Street Road Closure – Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

Columbia St will be closed on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> for an awards ceremony regarding sustainability in relation to the on-going high school project and other sustainability improvements occurring city wide.

### **Arsenal Park Improvements – Phase B**

Quirk Construction will continue preparation of pathways around the athletic field, rehabilitation work on existing park structures, and grading of the parking lot and athletic field. Please visit the link for more information.

### **Mount Auburn Street (Transportation Improvement Project)**

- Newport Construction will be replacing hydrants at various locations along the Mt. Auburn St corridor starting at the Cambridge city line.
- Newport Construction to continue traffic signal conduit installation at the following locations:
  - Mt. Auburn St and School St
  - Mt. Auburn St and Boylston St
  - Mt. Auburn St (between Bates Rd and Garfield St)
  - Mt. Auburn St (between Chester St and Marshall St)
  - Mt. Auburn St (Marshall St and Auburn Ct)
- Intermittent lane shifts are anticipated with sidewalks narrowed, but accessible. No Parking signs to be posted at affected street parking meters within the work zone

### **Saltonstall Park Improvements Project**

UEL Contractors to continue installation of formwork for new concrete stairs, ramps and walls. Concrete may be poured for the walls, weather permitting. Along with backfilling around the already poured foundations and walls. Please visit the link for more information.

### **Lowell Playground Project**

NELM Corporation Construction to continue sub-grade work at the playground; with preparation and installation work for the retaining wall, pathway and stairs. Please visit the link for more information.

### **CIP Project 2 Rehabilitations**

- AD Paolini will be mobilizing for water main improvements located within the Cottage St neighborhood with water main bypass being installed.
- Umbro & Sons to perform sewer point repair excavations:
  - Irma Avenue (between Clayton St and Mt. Auburn St)
  - Grove Street (between #195 and #215 Grove St)
- Insituform Technologies will be installing cured-in-place-pipe liners on:
  - Mt. Auburn St (Nightwork, between Prentiss St and Cottage St)
  - Templeton Pkwy
  - Prentiss St
  - Norseman Ave
  - Lovell Rd

### **Morse Street Roadway Improvements**

A.R. Belli to continue sidewalk reconstruction from Union Street to Galen Street. Please visit the link for more information.

### **Developer Mitigation Projects**

***There are no developer mitigation projects in construction at this time.***

### **Utilities**

***Note: Utility companies are responsible for notifying residents prior to conducting work.***

- Utility Contractor, M.T. Mayo, will be installing a water service connection to #25 Whites Ave (Boys and Girls Club). This will necessitate the temporary shutdown of water to the immediate vicinity. Residents and Abutters affected have been notified.
- Water service disruption is scheduled to occur on: Wednesday, April 23, 2025 between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM.
- Work may discolor your water. Please anticipate flushing your faucets for a few minutes to purge your water service of air pockets and sediment.

### **National Grid Gas**

- National Grid's Contractors, Feeney Brothers and NEUCO, will begin or continue gas main replacement work on the following streets:
  - Prescott St.
  - Palfrey St. at Pearl
  - Church St at Oliver
  - Belmont St.
  - Oliver St.
  - Elm St
  - Watertown Square (nightwork)
- Localized detours of the traffic immediately surrounding the work site may occur. Please expect minor delays.

### **MWRA - Water Main Improvements & Rehabilitation Project**

- Albanese D&S, Inc. to continue work associated with MWRA watermain installation on Common Street between Belmont Street and Bellevue Road.
- Road closure is implemented on Common Street from Orchard Street to Belmont Street during working hours (8:30 AM to 4:00 PM on typical days). During the Common Street installation, Lovell Road, Standish Road, Merrill Road, Poplar Street, and Bradford Road are open to residents only.
- Through traffic and heavy vehicle traffic will continue to be diverted to Waverley Avenue via detour signs. Please visit the MWRA link for more information and updates.

### **Eversource - Waltham, Watertown to Brighton Reliability Project**

- Vault installation will occur at #115 N. Beacon St. This will necessitate significant excavation and the closure of one lane of eastbound traffic. Traffic flows will be maintained, however, please anticipate localized delays.
- Eversource to perform electrical manhole work at three vaults located at:
  - #43 N. Beacon St.
  - #277 N. Beacon St.

- #338 Main St.
- Work to occur Monday through Fridays, 7am to 5pm. Limited excavation is anticipated.
- Eversource can be reached by the following methods for more information and updates:
  - Call **1-833-836-0302**
  - Email [ProjectInfoMA@eversource.com](mailto:ProjectInfoMA@eversource.com)
  - Sign up to receive email updates at <https://bit.ly/WW-B> or scan the QR Code

