

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON UPCOMING RIVER ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

## *Dear Fair Haven Residents:*

Please take time to review a synopsis of upcoming projects in our downtown, as follows:

- New Jersey American Water (NJAW) is doing a watermain upgrade project on River Road, from Harrison Avenue in Red Bank through Bingham Avenue in Rumson.
- The NJAW contractor will be utilizing two crews, starting at either end of the project limits and working toward the middle.
- In Fair Haven, watermain work from our western border with Red Bank to Smith Street will take place during the day and there will be police presence, however, expect detours.
- For both traffic safety and to avoid any need to close down businesses still recovering from COVID-19 losses, here in Fair Haven, the watermain work from Smith Street to Buena Vista will take place during evening and overnight hours.
- The watermain installation portion of the project will take approximately six weeks, but that estimate is based on multiple factors, which will be generally outside of the Borough's control.
- The new watermain will be installed in the southeast lane of River Road, close to the curb.
- Once the watermain is installed, the contractor will have months of follow-up work to complete the project. There will be police presence throughout this period of time to be sure vehicle traffic can get to residences and businesses. However, there will be detours, so plan for extra travel time.
- The Borough will be coordinating notifications and weekly status updates with NJAW and we will be using our various communication platforms to keep our residents and businesses well informed. If Borough residents or business owners have a question about the project, they may call Customer Service at (800) 272-1325 or email the local operations team at [RiverRoadProject@amwater.com](mailto:RiverRoadProject@amwater.com).
- The link on the NJAW site will continue to be updated. The link can be viewed here: <https://www.amwater.com/alerts/extended/river-road-monmouth-county-main-replacement-project>
- All residents that are not already receiving our weekly email updates, should sign up for the Borough's Constant Contact email notices. You can also follow us on our Borough Facebook page. To sign up for Constant Contact, please email Betty Ann Berube at [bberube@fhboro.net](mailto:bberube@fhboro.net) or call Borough Hall 732-747-0241 \*219.
- Once NJAW completes their work, the Borough of Fair Haven will be completing Phase III of our River Road Streetscape project, which will include the installation of curbs, sidewalks, and lighting, from Smith Street west to the Red Bank border.
- Finally, Monmouth County's long awaited River Road paving project is presently scheduled to be completed in late summer or early Fall 2022, after all other work on River Road is complete and the trench's have time to settle.
- During these various major construction projects in our downtown, Borough management will do our best to limit the inconvenience to our residents and businesses.

Feel free to contact me with any questions, or with any related input.

Best regards,  
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