



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Administration \* Engineering \* Highway and Grounds \* Solid Waste and Recycling \* Water and Sewer

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**Water Main Break –Monument Street:** On August 5, 2015, an emergency water main repair was performed on Monument Street, in the immediate vicinity of the Fenn School. The break was attributed to a longitudinal stress fracture identified on an 8-inch cast-iron water main installed circa 1930. During the emergency repair, service was temporarily interrupted to over 300 properties located along and off of Monument Street, north of Red Coat Lane for a period of approximately 4 hours.

**Concord Academy Water/Sewer Service Upgrade** - Water and sewer service installation work, associated with the Concord Academy facility improvements is tentatively scheduled during the weeks of August 10<sup>th</sup> and August 18<sup>th</sup>. Work will be performed on Main Street between Academy Lane and Belknap Street. Work involves installation of a new sewer manhole with a new sewer service in Main Street and installation of new water services for domestic and fire protection purposes. No water service interruption is anticipated during this work.

During construction activities traffic will be restricted to alternating lanes (between 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM). Commuters are being advised to seek alternative routes. During construction activities a portion of Main Street will not be open to truck traffic. Trucks will be detoured around the construction zone via Thoreau Street and Sudbury Road. Parts of the sidewalk on Main Street will also be closed during construction. Temporary parking restrictions will be in effect, in the vicinity of the work zone, for the duration of the project. Police officers will be available to direct traffic during construction activities. Electronic sign boards will be provided before and during construction to alert the commuters and truck traffic.

**Storm Response** - On Tuesday afternoon, August 4, 2015, several severe thunderstorms passed through Concord. CPW crews responded to twelve calls for tree limbs blocking roadways and minor street flooding caused by the strong winds and heavy downpours the storms brought to the area. Crews were able to keep all of the roads open during the storms as only minor damage was reported. CPW crews worked throughout the day on Wednesday chipping brush and sweeping streets and were able to finish all of the necessary clean up.

**Roads Program:** The crews for project contractor Lazaro Paving and subcontractor Fenton and Son continued to make progress on the various streets of the current Roads Program contracts the week of August 3<sup>rd</sup>, highlighted by the commencement of full depth reconstruction work within the Southfield/Riverdale neighborhood. Paving operations originally scheduled for the week of August 3<sup>rd</sup> on Powder Mill Road and Seven Star Lane were postponed due to weather. Work anticipated for the week of August 10<sup>th</sup> includes the reschedule of the top course paving on Powder Mill Road and Seven Star Lane as well as the continued full depth reconstruction efforts at on Pilgrim and Southfield Roads. The full depth reconstruction work is anticipated to extend into the week of August 17<sup>th</sup> at which time the reclamation of the other roads within the Riverdale/Southfield neighborhood will begin.

**The 2015 Roads Program Phase II bid opening was held Friday August 7<sup>th</sup>. The project scope includes the water main replacement and pavement improvements in Hunters Ridge Road as well as drainage and pavement improvements within Thoreau Court. The apparent low bidder was Cedrone Trucking, Inc. out of Billerica.**

**Main Street Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project:** Project contractor Century Paving completed the installation of all concrete sidewalk proposed for the project. Remaining work includes the hydroseeding of the grass strip adjacent to the new sidewalk, reconstruction of the brick crosswalk at Academy Lane and the replacement of the curb ramp at the intersection of Main Street and Sudbury Road (adjacent to the library). The hydro-seeding is scheduled to be done the third week of August. However, the curb ramp and brick crosswalk work has been pushed back to October due a delay in the contractor obtaining the bricks for the crosswalk.

**97 Thoreau Street:** Project contractor Pecora Contracting has completed the installation of the water service, tree box granite bollards, the granite curbing for the landscape areas, the concrete slabs for the trash compactor and fountain, the porous pavers, the curb ramp, and the concrete sidewalk. Work the week of August 10<sup>th</sup> is expected to include the removal and relocation of the curb ramp on the opposite side of Thoreau Street and the reconstruction of the sidewalk within the vicinity of the relocated curb ramp. It is anticipated that the project will be completed towards the end of August.