

City of Fitchburg



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FITCHBURG – The Department of Public Works advises residents of the following work that will be done, weather permitting, during the week of December 16, 2024.

Road Construction

Monday – Sunday 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

River Street Bridge:

- MassDOT's contractor Northern Construction has implemented a detour on the River Street Bridge. All southbound traffic will follow the West Street detour. Northbound traffic will be maintained.

Newton Place:

- Newton Place from Main Street to Boulder Drive will be closed to traffic through the end of 2024.

Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (expect road closures, traffic delays and/or detours).

Pipeline Replacement:

- Unitil and its subcontractors Neuco, Path Mechanical and S-Fors will be conducting natural gas pipeline replacement projects in the areas of Fairlawn Street, Newton Street, Albee Street, Lyman Ave, Pine Grove Ave, Greendale Ave, Nimitz Ave, Water Street (from 5th Street to Krysiak Ave.), Cleveland Street, Lancaster Street, and Hassett Street.

Main Street Water Main Improvements:

- Valve installation and service transfer work. PLEASE NOTE: The valve installation work involves localized shutdowns of the water system infrastructure and will involve water service interruption. The anticipated limits of this work are shown below
Building/properties affected by the work will be notified directly via hand delivered notice. Work is anticipated to take 2 – 4 hours at each location, but abutters should be prepared for service interruption to last longer.
 - Monday 12/9 – Prichard Street (Main to Elm), Prospect Street (prep for shutdown during day, **after hours shut down for valve installation beginning at 5:00 PM** to limit impact to abutting properties).
 - Tuesday 12/10 – Prospect Street (in area of Main to Arlington) – no water service interruption anticipated.
 - Wednesday 12/11 – Myrtle Avenue (Main to Green) – customers on the high service system will experience no water interruption, customers on the low service system will experience interruption.
 - Thursday 12/12 – North Street (Main to Green) – this is rescheduled work from 12/5 due to inclement weather).
 - Friday 12/6 – Academy Street (Main to High/Prichard - impact to low service system only).

Combination Sanitary Sewer/Storm Drain Separation Project:

- During construction hours, traffic on Whittemore Street and Mechanic Street will be directed by the Fitchburg Police Department on site for sewer spot repair. Parking on these streets will not be allowed near the construction zone.

Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Minor traffic impacts:

- Pothole repairs Citywide.
- Repair water gate boxes at various locations throughout the City.
- Various repair of the existing drainage infrastructure(s).
- Stanley Tree will be working on Ashburnham Hill Road and Asplundh will be working on Alpine Road for Unitil.

Hydrants

- Hydrant maintenance City-wide.
- Water gate valve exercising/maintenance in the Main Street area including all side streets.

Use [SeeClickFix](#) to report maintenance requests or concerns including potholes, sidewalks, signs/signals, lights, parks, catch basins or manholes.

Please call the DPW Dispatcher at 978-829-1900 with any immediate request including weather-related events (snow, wind, ice, flooding) or sewage backups.