PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Route 28 Watermain Replacement Project

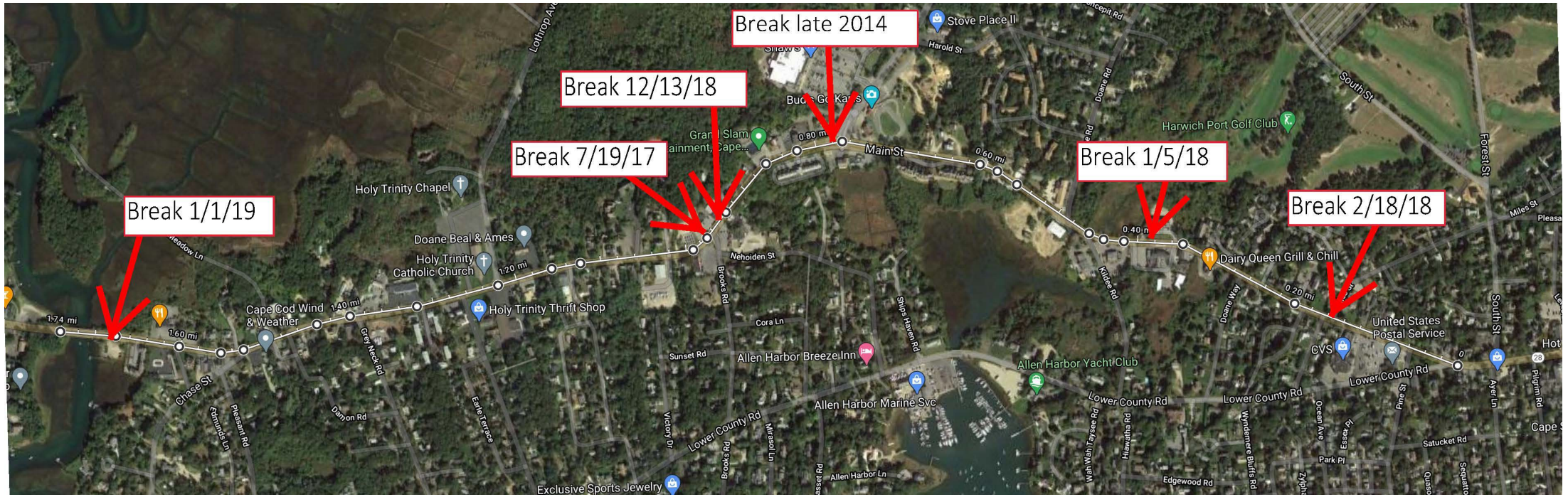
South Street Harwich Port to Division Street

Route 28 Dry Sewer Pipe Project

Herring River to Division Street

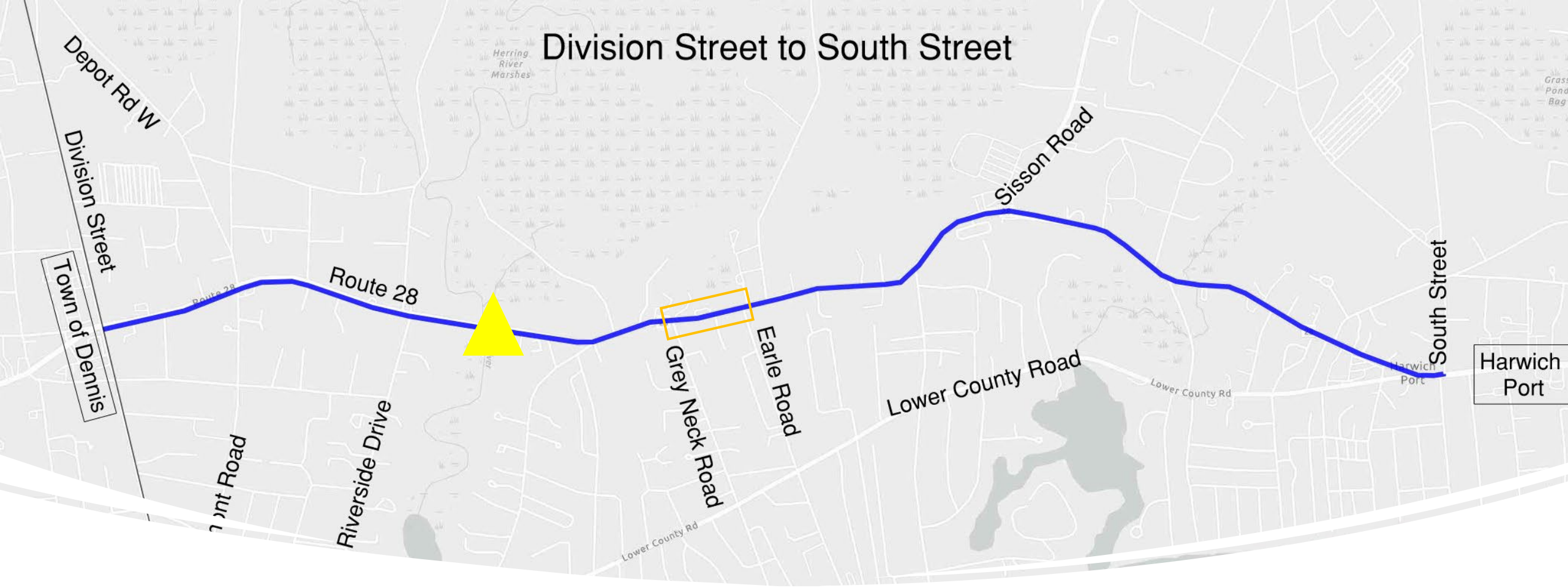
DATE
August 20, 2026

TIME
6:00 PM



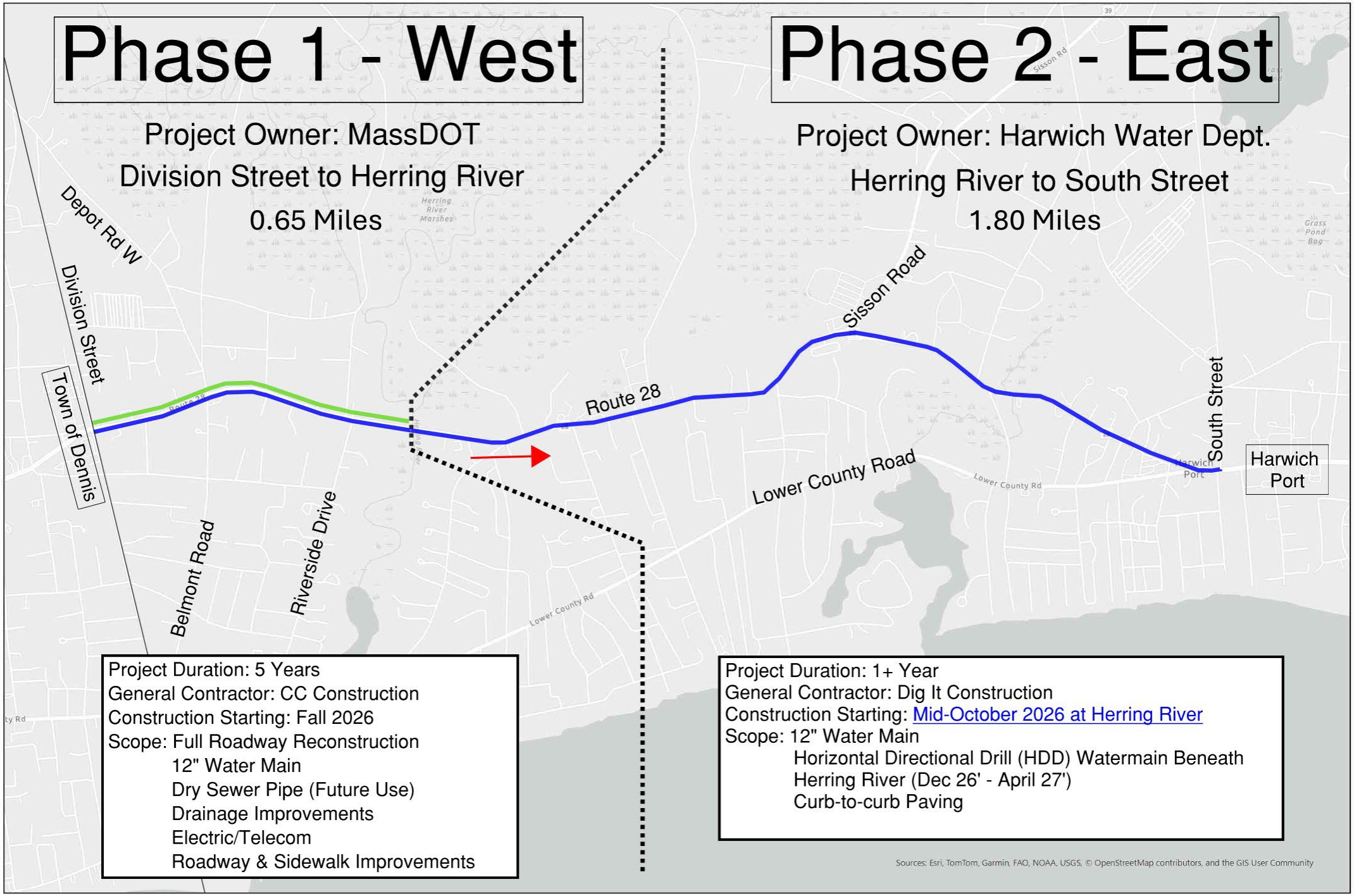
- Existing 6”, 8” and 10” cast iron water main installed in late 1930s
- 6 water main breaks occurring since 2014 resulting in service interruption & water loss
- Limited isolation valves result in large areas of service interruption
- 2018 Break – 27 gate valves to shut down water main, ~21hrs to repair

Route 28 Water Main Breaks



Route 28 Water Main Replacement Project

- 2.4 miles of new 12” water main
- New fire hydrants, gate valves, domestic water & fire services
- Horizontal Direction Drilling (HDD) a new 12” water main beneath the herring river
- Temporary water main & services to be installed between Earle rd. and Grey Neck rd. due to Nantucket Electric Line


Phase 1 - West
Project Owner: MassDOT
Division Street to Herring River
0.65 Miles
Phase 2 - East
Project Owner: Harwich Water Dept.
Herring River to South Street
1.80 Miles
Depot Rd W
Division Street
Town of Dennis
Belmont Road
Riverside Drive
Route 28
Sisson Road
Lower County Road
South Street
Harwich Port
Herring River Marshes
Grass Pond Bog
Project Duration: 5 Years
General Contractor: CC Construction
Construction Starting: Fall 2026
Scope: Full Roadway Reconstruction
12" Water Main
Dry Sewer Pipe (Future Use)
Drainage Improvements
Electric/Telecom
Roadway & Sidewalk Improvements
Project Duration: 1+ Year
General Contractor: Dig It Construction
Construction Starting: Mid-October 2026 at Herring River
Scope: 12" Water Main
Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD) Watermain Beneath
Herring River (Dec 26' - April 27')
Curb-to-curb Paving
Sources: Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community

What to Expect During Construction

Construction may impact your property more than once throughout the various phases of construction

- Watermain installation
- Water service installation
- Sewer Main/Lateral (Phase 1 – West Only)
- Temporary paving
- Final paving
- Site restoration
- Driveway access will be impacted when excavation is in front of your property

•Water Service Interruption

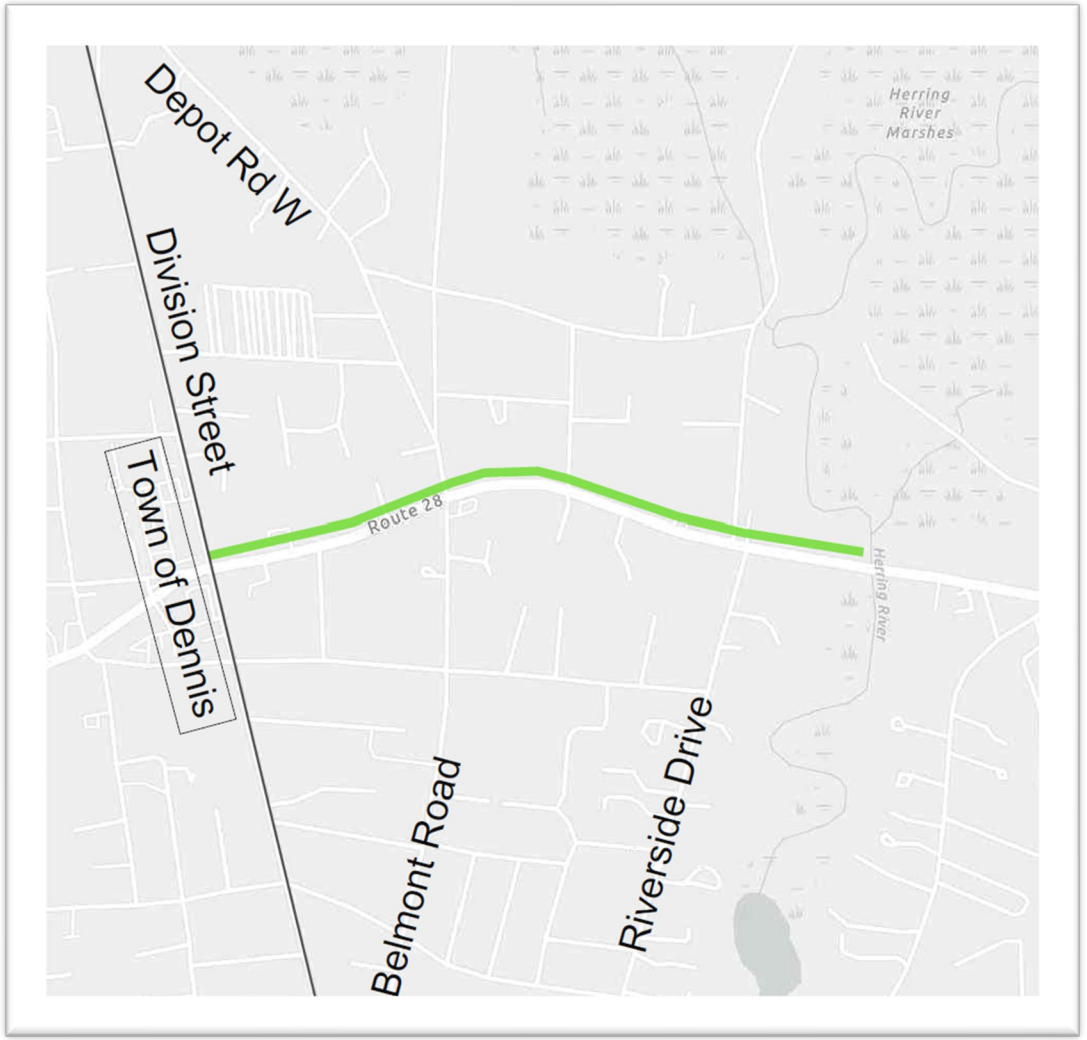
Water Service Interruption

- Goal is to limit interruption of water service to the greatest extent possible
  - **Planned** – Min. 36hr notice required under contract, Connection of new water service, temporary water main, temporary water service
  - **Unplanned** – Water main break, water service leak, hit by excavation, emergency
- Water service shall be restored daily if interrupted

Route 28 Dry Sewer Pipe Project

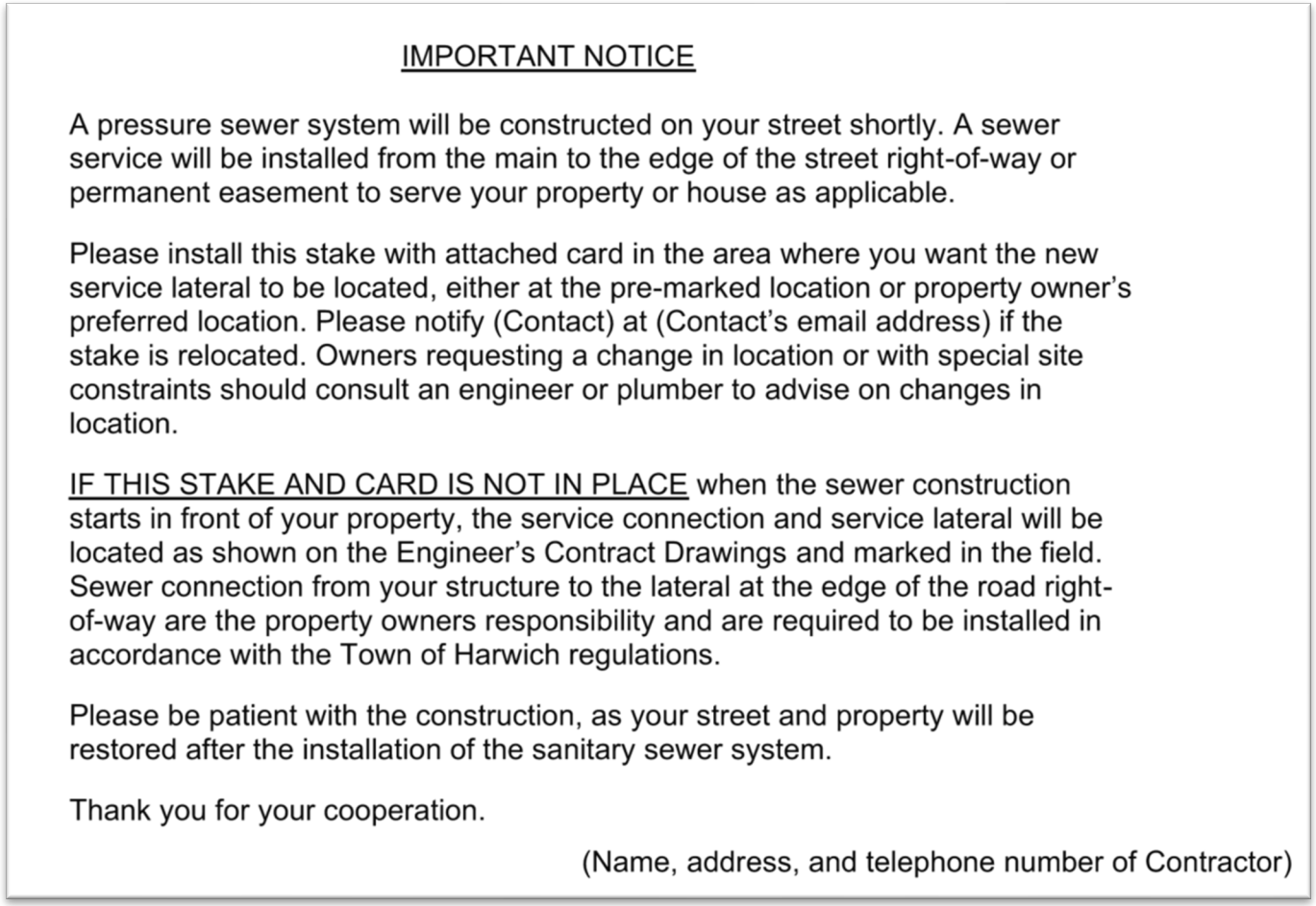
Division Street to Herring River

- Gravity vs. Low Pressure sewer evaluated Oct. 2022 ahead of MassDOT project
- Low Pressure selected due to high groundwater & cost savings
- Grinder pumps will be provided by the Town when sewer system built out
- West Harwich Sewer Collections System anticipated as Phase 4 in Draft CWMP
- Properties abutting Route 28 from Division Street to the Herring River will receive a sewer stub



Lateral Location During Construction – West of Herring River (Phase 1 – MassDOT project) ONLY

- General Procedure
  - Plans available to review
  - Property owners can review the locations and may consult with a plumbers/engineer if they have special circumstances (basement bathroom, long retaining walls, first floor located below road elevation, etc.) and then reach out to the Town.
  - Contractor will notify MassDOT and Town on Schedule
  - Contractor shall mark each lateral location and notify property owners at least 2 weeks prior to the start of construction
  - Notice will be provide to each property owner with a stake to mark the property owners preferred location of the sewer lateral, if different than proposed design.
  - Resident Project Representative from the Town's Engineer and Contractor will work with neighbors to assist in addressing questions and concerns.
  - Property owner's requests for change will be documented in a "Property Owner Request" form.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

A pressure sewer system will be constructed on your street shortly. A sewer service will be installed from the main to the edge of the street right-of-way or permanent easement to serve your property or house as applicable.

Please install this stake with attached card in the area where you want the new service lateral to be located, either at the pre-marked location or property owner's preferred location. Please notify (Contact) at (Contact's email address) if the stake is relocated. Owners requesting a change in location or with special site constraints should consult an engineer or plumber to advise on changes in location.

IF THIS STAKE AND CARD IS NOT IN PLACE when the sewer construction starts in front of your property, the service connection and service lateral will be located as shown on the Engineer's Contract Drawings and marked in the field. Sewer connection from your structure to the lateral at the edge of the road right-of-way are the property owners responsibility and are required to be installed in accordance with the Town of Harwich regulations.

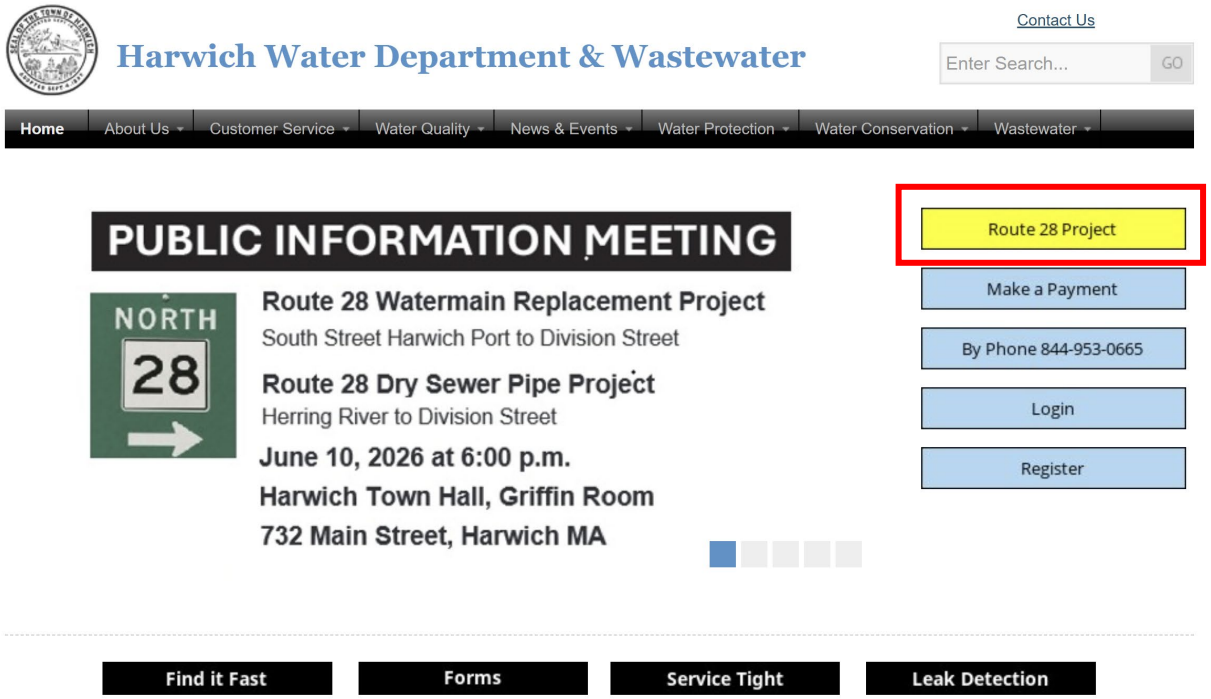
Please be patient with the construction, as your street and property will be restored after the installation of the sanitary sewer system.

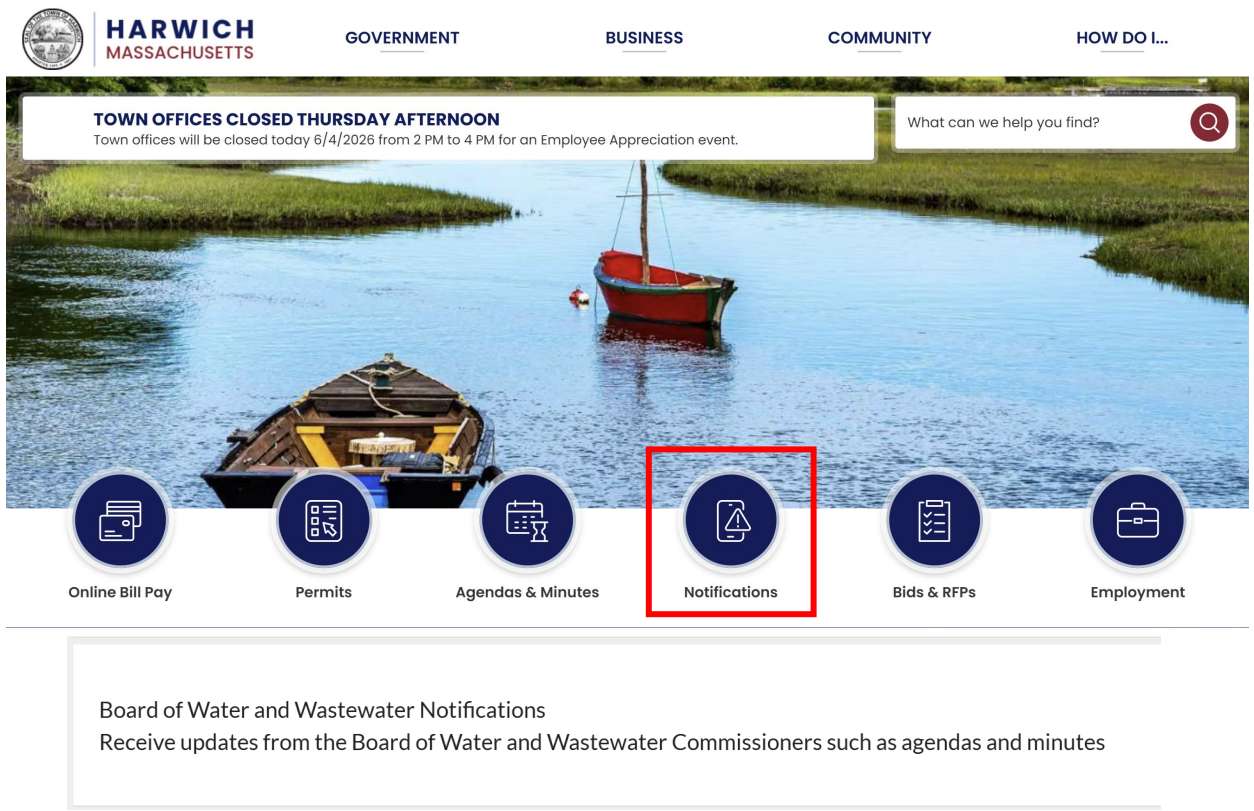
Thank you for your cooperation.

(Name, address, and telephone number of Contractor)

Traffic Controls

- No construction during summer moratorium (mid June – mid Sept.)
- Daily trench paving
- Winter work weather permitting
- Approved work hours 7am – 5pm
- Plan is to leave a driving lane open during utility work
- Detours needed for curb-to-curb paving, as required





Project Updates & Information

- Electronic Signboards
- Route 28 Project button on the homepage of Harwichwater.com
- Sign up to receive “Notifications” from the Board of Water & Wastewater Commissioners at Harwich-MA.gov

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General Contractor – West Side

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