

Dear Select Board Members:

We are preparing for the 2021 construction season on the Woburn to Wakefield Line Project in the Town of Winchester. The following is a forecast of anticipated construction activities and progress map. Also attached is a start of construction letter that will be mailed to residents along the Project route.

Eversource recently met with the Winchester Department of Public Works and Winchester Engineering Department to kick-off work plans for 2021 that are consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding among the Town and Eversource. The primary focus for 2021 is installation of duct bank along Washington Street (starting at the Woburn Town line).

For weekly project schedule updates, we encourage abutting property owners, residents and other stakeholders to visit the project website: <https://eversource.com/content/woburn-wakefield-project>.

Below is a breakdown of anticipated work zones and associated activities in Winchester to support Eversource's [Woburn to Wakefield Project](#).

Near-term Anticipated Activities this Construction Season in Winchester:

One crew will install duct bank along Washington Street, starting at the Woburn Town line near D Street. This work is expected to commence the week of May 31 and continue in a linear direction along Washington Street heading toward the intersection with Cross Street. We expect to complete this stretch of work in September.

- The normal Project work hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, along Washington Street. Once school is out of session in Winchester, crews will adjust their start time and begin at 7 a.m.
- Lane restrictions will be necessary and coordinated with the DPW and traffic details. When temporary detours are needed to direct motorists around the work site, clear signage will be posted in advance.
- Our Project Outreach Team will continue to notify nearby property and business owners via door-to-door material drops and mailings.

While this work is ongoing, another crew will install a manhole near the intersection of Washington Street and Forest Street. The work at this location is expected to take about two weeks to perform and will be scheduled in June or July.

Our approved Eversource Contractor will submit street opening permits for the above work and will continue to coordinate with the Winchester Department of Public Works.

General Project Information:

Steel road plates will be used to safely secure the work areas at the end of each work shift. Pedestrian detours and parking restrictions may be necessary during certain phases of the work. Parking restrictions will be clearly posted in advance.

Once project work is complete in areas, crews will temporarily pave sections of the road. Final restoration activities will occur when the Project is complete in 2022.

As construction continues, please note that the Winchester Police Department may modify the traffic management plans based on their judgement and expertise. This includes street closures and traffic detours to ensure public safety.

Nearby property owners are encouraged to direct questions and concerns to the Eversource Project Hotline at 1-800-793-2202 or send an email to ProjectInfo@eversource.com. A field outreach representative will respond to all inquiries via phone or email.

Feel free to contact me on my cell phone (781-583-8705) or via email or to contact Eric Sacchetti (cc'd) for any questions related to project outreach efforts.

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Woburn to Wakefield Line Project Map of Winchester:

