

PUBLIC NOTICE - JULY 24, 2026

We are writing on behalf of the Stonington Water Company to notify you regarding upcoming watermain construction along School Street (Between Main Street and the Cemetery Road). The Contractor will be mobilizing on or around July 27th with construction starting on August 3rd. The Water Company has retained Sargent Corporation to complete this work to improve water infrastructure and replace the cast iron piping along with services to the right-of-way. Generous grant funds have been obtained through the State of Maine Drinking Water Program for this project.

There will be traffic impacts during construction due to the extent of the water replacement work. Local traffic will be able to reach businesses and residences along School Street, but the contractor will be shutting down through traffic in sections of the roadway to limit traffic. Our onsite resident along with the contractor will assist residents and general public to reach desired destinations. We will work with both residences and area businesses with access to properties throughout the work area. As excavation takes place across or near your driveway and or property, it may be necessary to temporarily block the driveway as the pipe is installed. The contractor will work with you to minimize the impact and duration of this disruption. You will be notified in advance if this will occur, and the contractor will be required to provide arrangements for you to access your property at the end of each working day. Note that at the start of the project, it is planned that most of the work will be in the upper School Street location above Highland Avenue. This will be one-way alternating traffic during the daytime during this timeframe. After Labor Day, we estimate that the contractor will begin work on the lower end of School Street at Main working their way up the road to Highland Avenue. During the work on the lower end of the project, there will be a detour to keep non-local traffic out of the work area. This detour will be in place until the lower work is completed.

The project will include at least two system wide water outages which will be communicated separately. These outages will involve tying into the waterline on Highland Avenue and tying into the watermain at the intersection of Main and School Street. The shutdown for the Highland Avenue tie in will take place in August near the start of the project and the larger shutdown will take place just after Labor Day in September.

The contractor will also be installing temporary water prior to the start of watermain replacement, there will be waterlines above ground and tie ins to your household outside hose bibs or ulterior methods to make these connections. Note that please contact David Berry (number provided below) if you have water treatment systems in your home so we can coordinate connections to these systems. You may also notice some wooden stakes being placed on your property during the project. We ask for your cooperation in allowing them to remain during the project. The wooden stakes are there to help guide the construction crew as a reference on their location while utilities are being installed. The Water Company has retained Olver Associates Inc. to provide an onsite representative during the work who will be David Berry. If you have any concerns during construction, David can be reached at 240-4854, or feel free to call Annaleis Hafford at 223-2232 if you have any questions regarding the construction or any issues related to your property or service connections. Thank you in advance for your patience as the Water Company completes this very important project.