

Improving Your Water Supply

**Water Main Relining and Replacement
Project, Harmon Area, Wolf/Cook Lane,
and Munson and Loconto Streets.**

**Informational Meeting to be held on
Thursday June 26th, 2014 at 8PM, at
the Harmon Fire House.**

An informational meeting for residents who will be affected by the project will be held at the Harmon Fire House.

Village officials and Contractor Representatives will be present to review the project and answer questions. More information follows.

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Village of Croton-on-Hudson Improving Your Water Supply

Water Main Relining/Replacement Program Harmon/Wolf/Cook Areas.

The Village Board has chosen Heitkamp Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder for the project following a competitive bidding process. Heitkamp Inc. has extensive experience in cleaning and cement lining and installing water mains throughout the country, and has performed similar work for a number of towns and villages in Westchester.

The work includes installing 7,200 feet of new ductile iron water main as well as cleaning and cement lining 24,100 feet of existing unlined cast iron water main. About 45 new hydrants and 133 valves will be replaced or added.

Coordination During construction, residents can expect some disruptions in water service as well as some inconveniences with construction activity on the roads and right-of-ways. The lining process requires use of a temporary water system and may require access to your home. The Village and the contractor will strive to keep inconveniences to a minimum and will maintain a supply of water to your home with outages not to exceed four hours in length.

The Village will also make a concerted effort to advise residents of planned shut-downs in advance utilizing the Village web site, and news media. We will also coordinate road work with the school bus schedule to minimize disruption.

The Village will also establish an email list for notification. Forward your email address to engineering@crotononhudson-ny.gov, if you wish to be contacted.

As part of the project the Village will be installing some added drainage, and when the work is completed, patching and resurfacing roads.

Project Area



Map indicates affected areas in Harmon between Nordica and Cleveland, Wolf/Cook Lane Area, and Munson and Loconto Streets.

Because of the need for a temporary supply, work will be done in phases. Each affected area will be notified as the work progresses. A map is available with the proposed phasing areas and estimated dates. This is preliminary and subject to change as work progresses.

Benefits: The new and relined mains will provide residents with substantial improvements in water quality, fire protection, as well as improved operations and extend the life of the system.

Your Service Line

We would like to encourage consumers in the Harmon area with older, non-copper service lines to consider replacement. When the water system was originally installed in the 1910's - 40's, galvanized pipe was utilized for many service lines. Over time, this galvanized pipe has deteriorated and presently contributes to reduced flow to your home as well as discolored water and frequent leaks. Galvanized pipe becomes severely restricted through a build up of rust inside the pipe that can restrict flows to a fraction of what a new copper service line can deliver.

The present water main replacement program provides an opportunity to allow for coordinating the installation of a new service line from the curb-box at your property line to your home. While the cost and arrangement for such an installation is the responsibility of the homeowner, the fact that a number of contractors may be performing such work in the Harmon area should provide economies of scale that will reduce the cost for individual homeowners.

Similarly, some homes constructed in the 1940's -60's have bituminous sewer services. It is likely that this type of piping material has also reached the end of its service life. Residents should consider replacing old bituminous pipe sewer laterals while the water main repair work is ongoing and the streets have not yet been repaved.

In order to provide some assistance to residents who decide to proceed with replacement work, the Village will waive connection and inspection fees for applicants.

This savings will hopefully be passed along to the homeowner.

If you have a question as to what type of water service line you have to your home, take a look at the water pipe as it enters the house before the water meter. If you still have a question, the water department will be happy to take a look and identify the piping material for you. You can call 914-271-3775 to schedule an inspection.

The type of sewer lateral you have is more difficult to determine. It is recommended that you request the assistance of a local contractor for this identification.

A list of reputable contractors who perform such work is available at the Village Engineer's Office. Contractors can also be found in the yellow pages. The Village does not recommend a particular contractor and provides the list only to assist the homeowner.

For record keeping purposes the contractor will be required to complete an application form for service line or sewer lateral replacement, however, as stated previously, no fee will be charged.

Schedule

We expect the project to last about 26 months commencing in July 2014. A map with the proposed phasing will be available and we will provide progress reports and outage notices on the Village's web site as the work progresses.

Please plan to attend the informational meeting on June 26th, at 8 PM, at the Harmon Fire House. If you have any additional questions, contact the Village Engineering Department 271-4783.

Dan O'Connor, Village Engineer