

Woburn to Wakefield Line Project

Construction Update for Winchester, MA.

October 7, 2021

Dear Neighbor,

Eversource construction crews will return to your neighborhood to resume construction activity for the Woburn to Wakefield Line Project. As we perform this necessary work, we are continuing to follow COVID-19 health and safety guidelines.

We're Always Working to Serve You Better

Starting Tuesday, October 12, crews from McCourt Construction will continue installing a new underground transmission line that will connect Eversource's Woburn Substation in Woburn with National Grid's Wakefield Junction Substation. The work is part of our everyday effort to deliver reliable energy to our customers and communities.

What You Can Expect

Following is important information about how we will work in your neighborhood:

- **Reliable Service:** Be assured that this work will not interrupt electric service to your property.
- **Proper Identification:** All people working on this project carry identification.
- **Project Website:** We also maintain a project website at <https://www.eversource.com/content/Woburn-Wakefield-Project>
- **Where We Will Be Working:** All associated activities will occur at locations within or near public streets or within the existing Eversource right of way. Work activities within public streets will necessitate a traffic/work setup that progresses between vault locations on the following street(s):
 - Washington Street (Between Sunset Road and Forest Street)
- **Construction Hours:** Eversource is working closely with the Town of Winchester on allowed construction hours.
 - Daytime work will occur in your area Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Due to weather or other unexpected circumstances, the work hours may be extended.
- **Traffic Management:** Lane restrictions and vehicle detours will be necessary at times around the active work sites. Signage will be clearly posted to direct motorists and police details will be used. Local access for businesses and residents will be maintained. *If necessary, carefully get the attention of a member of the crew or police detail officer to support your property access needs.* Please note that Eversource and local officials may make in-field alterations as necessary.
 - For 1 week, traffic on Washington Street will be detoured. Those travelling south on Washington Street will turn left onto sunset Road and follow Sawmill Brook Road to return to Forest Street. Those travelling north on Washington Street and directed onto Forest Street will turn left onto Grant Road then Sunset Road to return to Washington Street.
 - Trench excavation and duct bank installation on Washington Street will follow. This traffic setup will utilize a one-lane alternating traffic pattern on Washington Street for several weeks.

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Construction Activities

Project construction will take place in phases:

- In the Coming Weeks:
- Setting up a safe and secure work site.
- Dewatering beyond normal work hours.
- Removing soils from the site, using dump trucks and excavators.
- Installing the new pre-fabricated concrete vault with the use of a crane followed by trench excavation and duct bank installation.
- Temporarily using steel road plates to safely secure the area at the end of each day.
- Areas will be backfilled and temporarily restored by Tuesday, October 12, once the vault is installed.
- When the overall project is completed in 2022, final restoration activities will follow.

Project Completion: Work associated with the vault installation will continue for 1 week. Work associated with duct bank installation is anticipated to take several weeks. Overall, the project is scheduled to be completed in 2022, followed by final restoration.

Contact Us

Keeping the lines of communications open is important to us. Eversource is committed to being a good neighbor and doing our work with respect for you and your property. If you have questions about this project, please call 1-800-793-2202 or email us at ProjectInfo@eversource.com. Our project website

<https://www.eversource.com/content/Woburn-Wakefield-Project> is also updated weekly with schedule information.

Please see below for typical photos of work expected in your area



Vault Installation



Trench Excavation

^Above photos are for illustration only. Actual equipment and material may vary. ^