

Downtown Route 9 (Main St)/Route 31 (Pleasant St) Construction Project Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and Responses

Start date: March 20, 2017

End Date: May 30, 2018

Project Web Page: http://www.spencerma.gov/Pages/SpencerMA_Highway/mainstreetproject

Will Route 9 (Main St) or Route 31 (Pleasant St) be closed to traffic?

- No. At times we may have a single traffic lane but only between the hours of 9am to 3pm. Police details will be present any time there is a lane closure.
- However, it has been determined that we may have to close Wall Street to traffic for several days in order to completed the necessary water and sewer work. If this occurs we will notify abutters and persons on the email list as much in advance as possible.

Where can I park downtown?

- Parking will be limited.
- Municipal lot near Santander bank (Old Massasoit site) will be closed.
- Public Parking Lots are located on Mechanic St., Elm St. and Wall St. Refer to project web site for a link to the downtown public parking lots map.

Will there be detours?

- No posted detours are planned at this time with the possible exception of the Wall Street road closure described above.
- Residents familiar with alternate routes can certainly use them at any time.

Who is paying for this project?

- The Town of Spencer paid for design and necessary right- of-way.
- Construction costs are being paid with State and Federal transportation funds.
- Water and Sewer system improvements are being paid for by the Water and Sewer Departments, respectively. All property owners own and are responsible for all sewer service lateral work and costs at all times from their respective buildings all the way out to their connection to the sewer main in the street.

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What should I do about my sewer service connection lateral?

At the very least all sewer customers should have their sewer service connection laterals video inspected right away to determine if there any problems that need to be corrected so that can be done at the very beginning stages of the Main Street project and gather other information as outlined in the previous letters sent to you by the Town Sewer Department and U&F Office.

If you have not done this or if you have not received any letters related to your sewer service connection from the Town Sewer Department or U&F Office already it is very important that you Contact Sewer Department at (508) 885-7542.

Will the schools be impacted?

- The Superintendent of Schools is aware of the upcoming project
- Morning school bus traffic should be unaffected as lane closure will not occur until 9am
- Afternoon school bus traffic will be impacted by lane closures should they occur
- Lane closure traffic (including school buses) will be directed by detail officers.
- Contact the Superintendent's Office for specific school information 508-885-8500

Relevant Web Page Links:

Main Street Project web page http://www.spencerma.gov/Pages/SpencerMA_Highway/mainstreetproject

Route 31 (Maple St. / Charlton Rd.) Reconstruction web page for project information & construction status
http://www.spencerma.gov/Pages/SpencerMA_Highway/route31project

Come back to the above links for updates.