

WELL DRILLING UPDATE

Navy Wells In Your Area



On November 18, 2004, the U.S. Navy began installing groundwater wells (monitoring, recovery, and injection). Drilling activities are now located east of the intersection of South Herman Ave. and Wilson Lane. A total of nine wells are to be installed during this current phase of the GM-38 Area remedial project. Five wells are to be installed on municipal property and four wells are to be installed on property of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT). The drilling of all five wells on municipal property and two wells on NYS DOT property is now completed. The remaining two wells are to be installed on the right of way of Route 135, the Seaford – Oyster Bay Expressway. Specifically, these wells will be located east of South Herman Ave. The NYS DOT property will be accessed by using municipal property located adjacent to NYS DOT property to the north and south of South Herman Ave.

The installation of a crushed stone access path within the municipal and NYSDOT properties is to begin on Thursday, February 24, 2005. The purpose of this work is to provide drilling equipment the accessibility to specific well locations on the NYS DOT property. Every attempt will be made to minimize the removal of trees, however, only trees will be removed that will restrict the positioning of drilling equipment. A restoration plan for this phase of the project will include grass seeding and planting trees within the Town of Oyster Bay right of way. Subsequent restoration of the Town of Oyster and NYS DOT right of ways shall be completed as part of the construction phase of the project. Work hours will normally be approximately 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM, but longer days and sometimes-overnight work will be required to ensure proper construction of the groundwater wells still to be installed. For additional information on this project, please write or call the Navy or the contractor overseeing the drilling. A complete file on all activities concerning this project is also available at the Bethpage Public Library.

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