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## **DRILLING NOTICE – SCHEDULE UPDATE**

### **Patricia Court, Bethpage, NY**

### **March 31, 2021**

*This notice is to provide the residents surrounding Patricia Court with an update to the drilling project schedule and summary of what to expect during the next phase of drilling.*

The vertical profile boring (VPB) was completed the week of March 8<sup>th</sup> reaching a total depth of 965 feet below ground surface. The information gathered during the drilling and sampling of groundwater in the VPB borehole now allows the Navy to progress to drilling of two groundwater recovery wells.

Drilling of the first of two recovery wells (RW6B) will commence the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>. Active drilling (operation of the drill rig) is anticipated to last approximately four weeks for this first recovery well. As before, work hours will normally be Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM (no machinery will operate before 8:00 AM). However, during this phase there will be occasions where borehole conditions will require drilling extended hours, anticipated no later than 6:30 PM. This extended time is required to minimize the chance of losing the recovery well borehole and starting over.

The method of drilling for the recovery wells requires constant monitoring of the fluid level in the borehole. Therefore, the drilling contractor will station a technician to maintain an overnight and weekend watch to monitor the level of drilling fluid and ensure borehole integrity is maintained. No mechanical/motorized equipment is operated during the overnight/weekend watch.

Installation of the RW6B screen and casing is expected to occur the week of April 26<sup>th</sup>. This installation will require extended work day(s). Once the installation of the well screen/riser begins, it must continue until completion and may last up to 18 hours.

Another drilling schedule update will be provided prior to the commencement of the second recovery well (RW6A), which is anticipated to begin May 2021.

As before, the drilling contractor for the Dept. of Navy will be Delta Drilling and Tetra Tech will provide oversight. Inquiries may be directed to Mr. Vincent Varricchio, the Tetra Tech Field Manager, or other contacts as listed below.

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