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ODOR CONTROL NOTICE 10-23-2020

The Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority (RVRSA) has begun construction activities relating to the replacement to the underground sanitary sewer pipe and structures in Pocket Park and crossing Washington Street in front of the Town Hall building.

As part of this work, the contractor must utilize bypass pumps to divert the sewage flow around the existing pipes to be replaced. The work on this project is estimated to continue through the month of November and into the beginning of December. Bypass pumping operations will take place in Canal Park as well as at the Monroe Street Pumping station. The nature of bypass pumping of sanitary sewerage creates openings in the sewer system that may allow unpleasant odors to escape into the atmosphere. The RVRSA is taking steps to mitigate these odors and to minimize any inconvenience to the nearby businesses and residents.

The contractor is currently in the process of setting up the bypass system in anticipation of testing the system the week of October 26, 2020. While the system is being set up, there will be times (especially during the day, when construction activities are active) when odors may escape. The RVRSA asks for the patience and understanding of the businesses and residents during these times. Please be assured that the RVRSA is committed to mitigating these odors to have the least impact on the community as possible. RVRSA has odor control measures in place to minimize odors, and at the end of each day during the set-up period, RVRSA crews will seal the openings to prevent the escape of odors when there is no active construction. Once the setup is complete and all pumping equipment and piping is in place, the openings can be sealed and monitored to control the odors for the remainder of the project.

Again, the RVRSA appreciates the patience and understanding of the businesses and residents affected by this project. We will continue to update the community as construction progresses. If anyone experiences any inconvenience relating to the odors or other construction activities relating to this project, please contact RVRSA between 8 am and 4 pm at 973-263-1555 extension 210, 236 or 217. After 4 pm, please call the operator on duty cell at 973-464-8001.