



PRESS RELEASE

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UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE SOUTH BEACH STREET CLEAN UP AND RECONSTRUCTION

As of 11:00 AM Friday morning the following downtown streets have been decontaminated by Clean Harbors, Inc. Easy Street, Cambridge Street, Oak Street, Broad Street from Steamship Wharf to South Beach Street, South Beach Street from Sea Street to Easton Street, portions of Easton Street east and west of South Beach Street. Clean Harbors crews will now focus decontamination efforts on the subsurface utility vaults and conduits within the affected area.

All downtown streets in the Core area are open to regular traffic and parking with the exception of South Beach Street from Broad Street to Harborview Way, Sea Street and Whaler's Lane at South Beach Street. The South Beach Street Extension is closed from Broad Street to Oak Street.

Although all sewer and water service remains unaffected the Town requests that the public continue to limit their water use as much as possible to limit the volume of effluent that enters the system.

For additional information please contact the Public Information Officer, LT. Angus MacVicar, at 508-325-4100 x-5700.

In a separate situation discovered during the sewer decontamination effort, a discharge of an unknown petroleum product through the bulkhead on Easy Street into the Easy Street Basin is being investigated and monitored by The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Representatives from the Emergency Response Division of the Mass. DEP advised that the Mass. DEP has assumed responsibility for the investigation into and remediation of the leaking product. At the time of this press release no source has been discovered however they are continuing to work on identifying the source and abate the release at the catch basin area. The latest report is that the release has slowed significantly (Tide Receded). For further information, please contact the Mass. DEP Press Secretary, Edmund Coletta, at 617-292-5737.

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