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SOUTH BEACH STREET CLEAN UP AND RECONSTRUCTION **Clean-Up Updates as of Saturday, January 13, 2018**

Nantucket, MA – Clean Harbors has completed surface decontamination at the Steamship Authority property and the South Beach Extension today. Crews will be continuing decontamination work on Sunday and Monday on the last surface areas on South Beach Street within the affected area. As was previously reported, Clean Harbors crews will focus their efforts next week on decontamination efforts on the subsurface utility vaults and conduits within the affected area.

As clean-up efforts move towards completion, the Emergency Operations Center will be working with engineers to develop a sewage force main bypass, dewatering and excavation plan to begin recovery efforts.

All downtown streets in the Core area remain 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. South Beach Street Extension is closed from Broad Street to Oak Street.

While the sewer system is functioning and sewage is no longer leaking into the Harbor as of Monday, January 8th at 10:30 am, the Town advises that it is **critical the public continue to limit their water use as much as possible** to reduce the volume of effluent that enters the system. Please limit laundry, running water and shower times.

Daily updates will continue on Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

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More information can be found at www.nantucket-ma.gov and Social Media: Twitter @TownofNantucket. The Town of Nantucket maintains an Emergency Alert and Information Radio Channel at 105.5. NCTV18 and WACK-97.7 will also broadcast alerts as needed.

As a follow up to the ongoing petroleum release situation discovered during the sewer decontamination efforts, release abatement measures have served to mitigate the presence and extent of the petroleum product observed through the bulkhead on Easy Street into the Easy Street Basin. Containment boom and adsorbent pads are being properly maintained in place and their effectiveness monitored by on-site environmental contractors. Representatives from Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's (MassDEP) Emergency Response Division were present on-site today and will continue to provide oversight and guidance throughout the weekend to environmental contractors performing response actions. For further information, please contact the MassDEP Public Affairs Officer Mr. Edmund Coletta, at 617-292-5737.

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