

## **Construction Update for the Week of September 9**



Last week, the Village's contractor kicked off the start of construction for the Stage 2 Harrison Street Project. This project includes the installation of new sanitary sewer along Harrison Street, water mains along Edwards Street and minor storm sewer work in these areas. The project is being constructed in phases, with the first phase focused along North Harrison Street between Front and Edward streets.

Crews set up equipment and materials this past week on the construction site and evaluated the groundwater conditions at the southern project limits. With the project being located in the valley of the Fox River, it was expected that ground water would be present. Ground water levels can vary based on several factors, including weather and soil conditions.

To properly construct this project the contractor is required to keep the excavated area free of ground water. The contractor determined that they would need to utilize well points to manage the groundwater level. Well points will temporarily be installed within the grass areas of the public right-of-way along North Harrison Street throughout two sections of the project (from Front Street to 405 North Harrison Street and 605 North Harrison Street to Park Street). These well points maintain a lower groundwater level to allow the contractor to proceed with work. Water collected from these wells s filtered through gravel pack and discharged into the storm sewer system.

The contractor anticipates the installation of the well points to begin the week of Sept. 16. Installation of the well points will take about a week to complete and require an additional week to lower the groundwater.

Dewatering well points are installed by a truck mounted with a drilling rig. At times, the drill

rig may obstruct a lane of traffic and reduce the roadway to one lane of traffic. Flaggers will direct traffic if necessary. The Village asks that motorists and pedestrians utilize caution and obey flaggers to ensure everyone's safety.





Currently, the contractor has the Stage 1 detour plan in place, which routes traffic around North Harrison Street between Front and Edwards streets. For installation of the dewatering system the contractor will temporarily remove the current road closure in this area until sewer installation commences. This will allow free flow traffic for local residents and businesses in the area.

## Stage 1 Detour Map



If you are interested in receiving future email updates about the construction on Harrison Street, please select the box for Stage 2 Harrison Street on the Stay Connected page of the website.

## For more information and the latest detour map, visit the <u>Old Town project website</u>.

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