



Northeast Boundary Tunnel Project

Lincoln Road NE Update

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Greetings, Neighbors.

DC Water's contractor continues upgrading the traffic signals at the intersection of Rhode Island Avenue NE and Lincoln Road NE. Upgrading the traffic signals is a part of the restoration work required by the District Department of Transportation. As an update, the crew has completed most of the work at the eastbound corners.



Traffic signal work in the westbound lanes of Rhode Island Avenue NE at the Lincoln Road NE intersection.

Upcoming work includes excavating and installing duct banks across Rhode Island Avenue NE and Lincoln Road. Duct banks are a part of the traffic signal electrical infrastructure. A duct bank is a group of electrical conduits or tubes that protect electrical wiring in its path underground. The duct bank will be encased in concrete and then the excavated area will be backfilled.

At this intersection, the contractor must also decommission the Northeast Boundary Tunnel monitoring instruments on Rhode Island Avenue NE. DC Water's contractor installed deep borehole monitors to measure changes underground during tunnel construction. With the Northeast Boundary Tunnel now in service, the monitoring devices will be decommissioned according to the District's Department of Energy and Environment standards.

The contractor will pave the intersection and restore the median. We will update you as the contractor prepares to start each new phase of work. Thank you.

Project Details

The Northeast Boundary Tunnel (NEBT) is in service. It begins south of RFK Stadium and extends north to Rhode Island Avenue NE and west to 6th Street NW. With the commissioning of the NEBT, the Anacostia River Tunnel system is complete and will reduce combined sewer overflows to the Anacostia River by 98 percent in an average year! As the final connection to the system, the NEBT will mitigate flooding in areas chronically affected, including Rhode Island Avenue, Mt. Olivet Road NE, and the Bloomingdale neighborhood.

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