Replacement of Water Pipes

- Ridge Ave from Manayunk Ave to Walnut Ln
- Vicaris St from Lauriston St to cul de sac
- Osborn St from Ridge Ave to dead end
- Magdalena St from Wendover St to Roxborough Ave
- Jamestown Ave and Wendover St from Henry Ave to Magdelena St

The pipes that carry water to houses and businesses on these streets are approaching the end of their useful life. Pipe breakages and system failures can present significant inconvenience and water service disruption to customers. PWD is proactively installing new water pipes tbelow the streets to increase service reliability. These new pipes will be "right-sized", meaning PWD will install the most appropriately-sized pipe by today's standards, to meet the needs of its customers.

Coordination with PECO, PGW and telecommunications companies like Verizon and Comcast is on-going during the construction. This cooperative approach minimizes inconvenience and potential future service disruptions.

Important Project Facts

- Work will be conducted in 18 blocks of the Manayunk neighborhood in West Philadelphia.
- The project will provide more reliable service for domestic and fire department needs.
- Work will be staged to minimize impact to the surrounding neighborhood.
- Anticipated start date: July 2014

Triple Bottom Line Analysis

- Social Equity
- Improved sidewalks & access ramps
- Economic Gains
- Reduced maintenance & repair costs
- Environmental Benefits
- Reduced water losses with new pipes
- Leadership
- Collaboration with SEPTA, PECO, & PGW.

FIGURE 1. Graphic rendering of completed PWD facilities beneath Vicaris St & Rock St.

With all construction there is a level of inconvenience. PWD is working to minimize construction impacts. Please refer to our Frequently Asked Questions for more information:

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Will I lose water service during construction?

A: Minor disruptions of water service are anticipated during construction, resulting in the loss of water service for 1-2 hours while house connections to new pipes are made and for 4-8 hours while water main connections are completed. Residents will be notified when water service outages are anticipated.

Q: What are the hours of construction?

A: Typical construction hours are from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM but can vary seasonally.

Q: How will construction affect traffic, sidewalk access and parking?

A: Street parking during hours of construction will be restricted. Temporary "No Parking" signs will be installed as needed for safety and construction. Signs will be installed before the start of work indicating the dates and hours that the areas will be closed. Vehicular traffic, pedestrian access, trash collection and deliveries will be maintained. Any cars left on streets where work is scheduled to take place will be towed to a nearby public street. Project personnel will be available to direct you to your car.

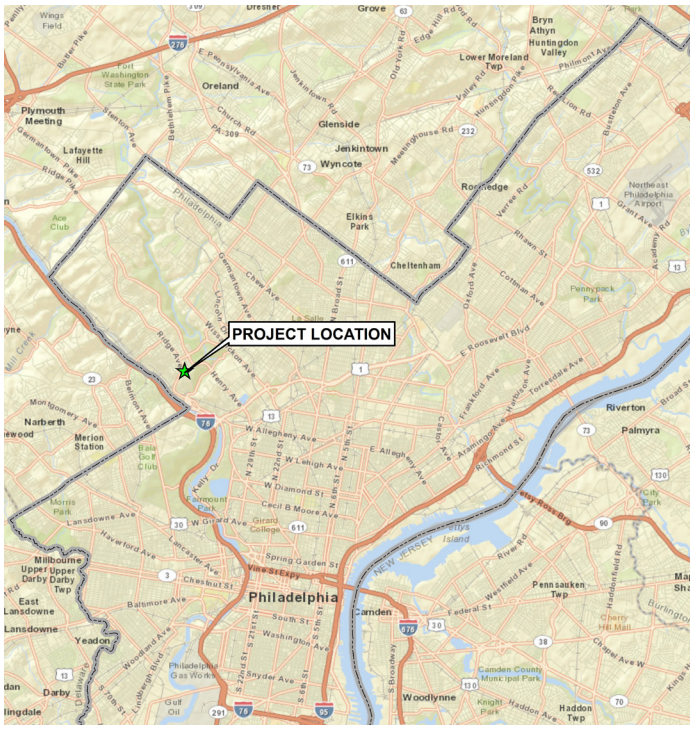


FIGURE 2. City and street view of construction to be completed

Q: How dusty will my street be during construction?

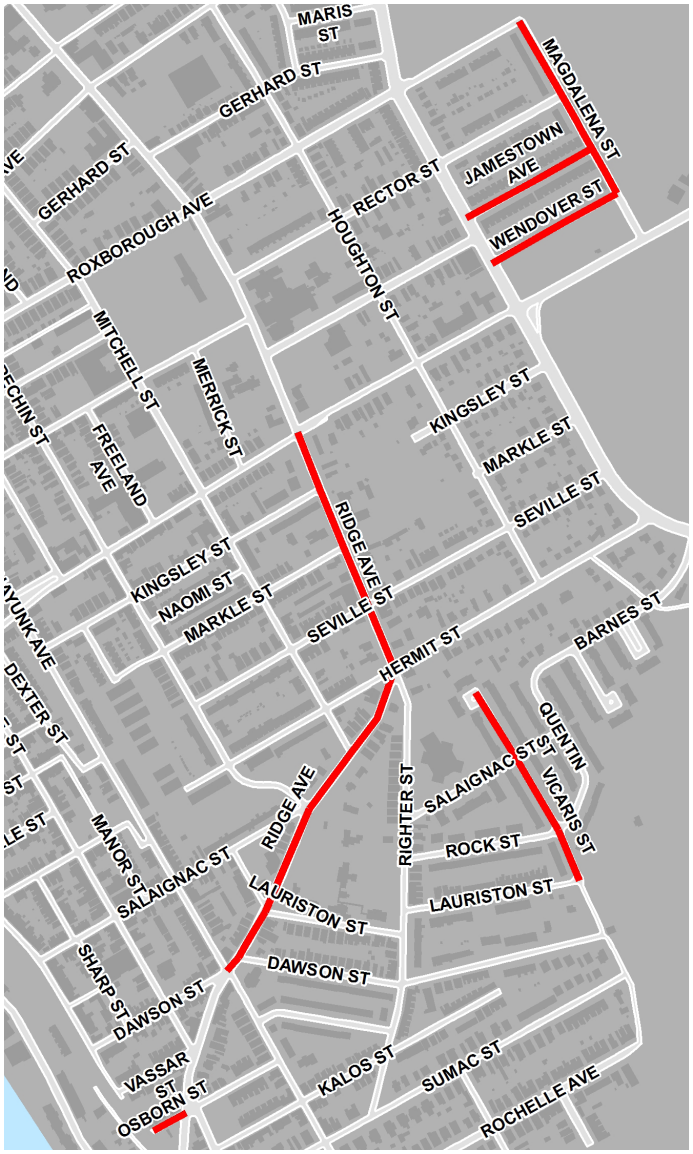
A: All construction work is subject to dirt and dust. We apologize for any inconvenience. At the end of each work day, the Contractor will be responsible for keeping the site clean.

Q: Will trees be protected during construction?

A: A tree specialist will assess all trees in the project area prior to construction to identify measures to protect trees.

Q: Will SEPTA service in the area be affected?

A: No interruptions to SEPTA service are anticipated although detours may be necessary for the following:

- Bus Routes 9 and 65 on Ridge Ave

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