

New Bedford has roadwork sites for the upcoming week of November 22, 2021 – November 26, 2021

The City of New Bedford has roadwork sites for the upcoming week of November 22, 2021 – November 26, 2021 and they are as follows:

Offices will be closed & no construction works Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th.

Eversource will be working on the gas main relays and services at:

- Replacing gas services on Elizabeth St, Bedford St and Taber St
- Abandoning gas main on Hersom St / Waldo St and Vernon St
- Tie in gas main and replacing gas services on Phillips Rd starting from Birchwood Dr to Hillcrest Dr
- Working on the regulators on Holly St at Belleville Ave
- Relaying gas main on Church St at Tarkiln Hill Rd

Other:

- Contractor (PA Landers) will be on Cottage St (Parker St to Sycamore St) for various sidewalk restoration areas. No Parking zone signs will be posted in areas as necessary.
- Contractor (PA Landers) to continue sidewalk roadway improvements on Weld St from Summer St to Myrtle St.
- Contractor (PA Landers) will be conducting test pits on Cedar St (Maxfield St to North St) for upcoming sewer main installation.
- Contactor (AGS) will be replacing sidewalk panels at various utility pole locations throughout the city.
- Contractor (PA Landers) will be repairing various roadway

and sidewalks citywide.

- Contractor (PA Landers) will be working on wheelchair ramp reconstruction on Pleasant St by North St / Tower Dr
- Contractor (JH Lynch) to continue work at MassDOT Project #608536, intersection improvements at Rockdale Ave X Allen St. Detours during working hours will be required for installation of new drainage throughout the project site. Signage will be posted for detour routes.
- Contractor (K.R. Rezendes, Inc.) to continue work at MassDOT Project #606718, roadway reconstruction and related work (including traffic signal installation) along a section of Hathaway Rd, Nauset St and Mt Pleasant St.
- Contractor (PA Landers) to continue work at MassDOT Project #606709 with roadway and sidewalk reconstruction related work along a section of Kings Highway and Tarkiln Hill Rd.
- Contractor (SCR Constructors) will continue site work at the future South Coast Rail station platform locations in the City. (Church St at Carlisle St and Wamsutta St at Acushnet Ave.) Contractor will be performing test pits in Wamsutta St. Street closure from Acushnet Ave to N Front St. Detour signage and police details will be in place. If you have questions, please email the project team at SouthCoastRail@dot.state.ma.us
- Due to ongoing construction at the High Hill Reservoir residents may experience discolored water. The water is safe, and the discoloration will be temporary. We recommend allowing the water to settle for a few hours and then flushing your service line by letting the bathtub run for a few minutes until the water runs clear.

Hydrant Flushing:

- The City will be flushing hydrants Saturday and Sundays between November 13th and November 27th. Industrial Park (along Braley Rd, Church St, Phillips Rd, Duchaine Blvd, Samuel Barnet Blvd and John Vertente Blvd.), the Fish Houses (along Coggeshall St and North Front St, Herman Melville Blvd, MacArthur Drive from Front St to Cove St), Pier 2, Pier 4, State Pier and Downtown (between Maxfield St and Walnut St and

from County St to the Waterfront)

Union St. Phase II Sewer Separation Project:

- Contractor (C. Naughton Corp.) will work Monday to Wednesday to continue installing catch basins and drain piping along Union St between Sixth St and County St. During working hours, Union St will be closed between Sixth St and Eighth St. Westbound traffic on Union St will be detoured via Pleasant St, Elm St and County St. Eastbound traffic on Union St will be detoured via Spring St and Pleasant St.

**** Please note: Contractors will continue to follow guidelines and protocol regarding COVID-19 social distancing while conducting work in construction zone.**

New Bedford's Zeiterion "Drive-In" presents a Sunday afternoon of live Salsa, Cha Cha and Merengue on the waterfront

"The best dance band. So fun and so sassy!" -Grupo Sazón fan.

Put on your dancing shoes for Grupo Sazón, a seven-piece orchestra led by master percussionist, founder and musical director Jesús Andújar. A mid-day matinee of Salsa, Cha Cha & Merengue music in the Whale's Tale Parking Lot by the waterfront!

Andújar was born into a family of musicians in Samaná, Dominican Republic. At a young age he developed his rhythm,

timing, and ear for music while working on the farms. He now leads a group of incredibly talented musicians performing authentic music from the Spanish Caribbean with an expansive repertoire of Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, Cha Cha, Calypso and Latin Jazz.

Featuring Aníbal Cruz on piano, Wilson Vera on bass, Miguel Martínez and Anthony Carrillo on percussion, Doug Olsen on trumpet, and José Humberto on vocals.

Sunday, October 25th at 3:00pm in the Whale's Tale parking lot. Each car gets two spots! Feel free to use the empty spot on the driver's side for dancing or a picnic set-up. For everyone's safety, masks are required when you're outside the vehicle.

Massachusetts State Police assist Nevada Police in track and arrest of suspect in multiple child rapes

Police in Reno, Nev., acting on information provided by the Massachusetts State Police, yesterday arrested a former Marlboro man suspected of committing sexual assaults against multiple children in and around that town. State Police had added the suspect, DANIEL ESCALANTE, 42, to their Most Wanted List in late March.

In recent weeks, the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section (MSP VFAS), working with the

State Police Cyber Crime Unit, the State Police Watch Center, Marlboro Police, and the US Marshals Service, conducted an extensive investigation into ESCALANTE's whereabouts. Investigators recently developed information that ESCALANTE had fled Massachusetts and was living in Nevada under an alias.

MSP VFAS then began working with the US Marshals' Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force for Reno, Nevada. Members of the Task Force, acting on information provided by MSP VFAS, located and arrested ESCALANTE without incident at approximately 9 p.m. (Pacific) yesterday.

ESCALANTE is currently being held in Nevada on a fugitive from justice charge. He was expected to appear in the Reno Justice Court today. Prosecutors in Massachusetts will work with Nevada authorities to arrange his rendition to answer to the child assault charges here.

The charges ESCALANTE faces in Middlesex County are: five counts of rape of a child with force; two counts of assault with intent to rape a child; and four counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.

The Massachusetts State Police are grateful to the Pacific Southwest Regional Task Force for its assistance in apprehending this Most Wanted fugitive.

**Who Keeps Things Flowing at
New Bedford's Ocean**

Explorium?

NBG's Mike McCarthy talks to the Explorium's Abbey Spargo and Warren Gibbons about the new 'touch tank.'

Vegetarian Favorites in New Bedford

New writer Mike McCarthy takes you through some of his favorite spots for vegetarian food in New Bedford, including Spicy Lime, Destination Soups, and No Problemo.