Massachusetts DoT announces 24-hour construction work at New Bedford's Tarkiln Hill Road, Nov. 16-Nov. 18

Grade crossing improvements are one step in early action construction for South Coast Rail.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing that 24-hour construction work will begin in New Bedford at the Tarkiln Hill Road grade crossing at 6 a.m., Saturday, November 16, and continuing through to Monday afternoon, November 18.

Vehicle and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times and access to local business establishments will be maintained. MassDOT's contractor, J.F. White, will strive to maintain one vehicle travel lane in each direction throughout this time period. However, the number of vehicular travel lanes through the work zone may be reduced to one lane serving alternating traffic directions during certain construction activities. Police details will be present throughout the construction period.

This South Coast Rail corridor project at Tarkiln Hill Road is taking place with the support and cooperation of the City of New Bedford. The project work is occurring at approximately the same time as upcoming municipal work to fully replace the existing water main and is being completed in advance of other Commonwealth of Massachusetts infrastructure improvement projects in the vicinity of the grade crossing.

Members of the public traveling in the area of Tarkiln Hill Road are encouraged to allow extra time to cross through the area. Scheduled construction work is weather dependent. For more information about the South Coast Rail Project, please visit:

https://www.mass.gov/south-coast-rail