



## Construction updates for April 4, 2023

The schedule for this infrastructure project is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

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### South Coast Rail and Mass Coastal Railroad Evening Freight Operations

The South Coast Rail (SCR) team, along with freight operator Mass Coastal Railroad (MCRR), are restarting the evening freight operations program that has been implemented over the past two years of the project to separate SCR construction activities from the MCRR freight operations on the Fall River Secondary and New Bedford Main Line (see SCR project map for location of railroad lines below).

Beginning Monday, April 3 through the 2023 construction season, MCRR will move daily freight operations to evenings. During this period, abutters to these railroad lines from Taunton to Fall River and New Bedford can anticipate trains during weekday evenings between 5:00 PM and 12:00 AM.

This will not change the current daily operations on the Middleborough Secondary Line. Trains will continue to run during the daytime, and construction activities will carry on in coordination with freight train movements along that line.



## Fall River: Collins Street Road Closure for Culvert Work

**Location of work:** Culvert work in railroad right-of-way near Collins Street in Fall River requiring Collins Street road closure (for detour use Clark Street)

**Dates/Hours of Work:** • Work continues week of April 3, weekdays, 7:00 AM to

7:00 PM •Expected to continue week of April 10, weekdays, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

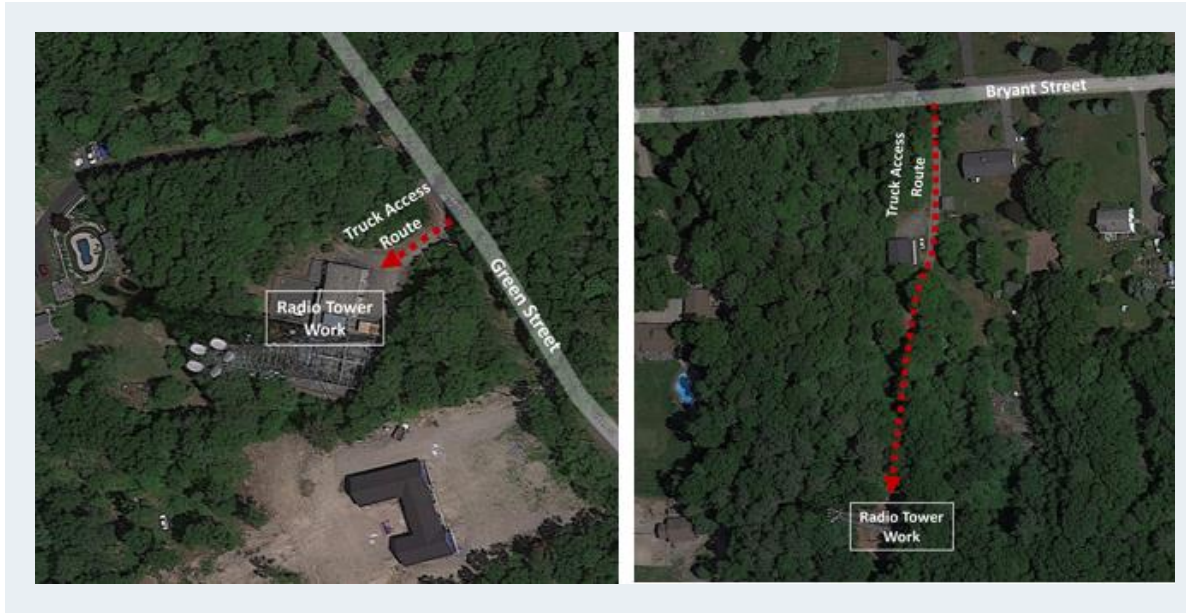


## **Berkley: Radio Tower Work on Green Street and Bryant Street**

*Residents on Green Street and Bryant Street should expect to see slightly increased truck traffic during this work.*

**Location of work:** •Radio tower at 39 Green Street in Berkley •Radio tower at 61 Bryant Street in Berkley

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Work continues week of April 3, weekdays, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM



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## **Middleborough, Lakeville, Raynham, Taunton, Freetown, Fall River, and New Bedford: Signal System Installations and Testing**

Installations and testing for the railroad signal system for the entire South Coast Rail Phase 1 is ongoing along the railroad right-of-way and at railroad crossings. Please be advised that during this work, signals may be disabled. In those instances, railroad workers known as flaggers will be in place to safely direct train traffic through crossings, and drivers should heed the flaggers' directions.

The project will also be continuing to run test trains along the South Coast Rail lines to make sure the new signal systems are properly working. Abutters to the railroad may notice the increased train traffic and crossing signal usage.

Upcoming testing may include test trains at the Weaver's Cove Layover

Facility (2680 North Main Street) in Fall River on Saturday, April 8.

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## **Middleborough: Roadwork and Single-lane Closures on Route 105 (South Main Street) and/or Route 28 (Grove Street)**

**Location of work:** Roadwork and traffic signal installation near the New Middleborough Station site (161 South Main Street) on Route 105 across from the I-495 on/off ramps, as well as at the future pedestrian crossing of Route 28 (Grove Street) between the railroad overpasses

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Single-lane closures on Route 105 and/or Route 28 on weekdays (with Saturday work as necessary), 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

*For roadway-construction issues related to this Route 105/Route 28 work please call 423-375-4086.*

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## **Taunton: Shoulder and Lane Closure for Utility Installation and Traffic Signal Modifications on Route 140 (County Street)**

**Location of work:** •Sidewalk work on the southbound side of Route 140 (County Street) between Taunton Depot Drive and Industrial Drive  
•Installation of curb along Industrial Drive •Work on drainage basin at Industrial Drive/Route 140

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Single-lane closures on Route 140 on weekdays (with Saturday work as necessary), 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

*For roadway-construction issues related to this Route 140 work please call 423-375-4086.*

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## **Fencing Installation: Middleborough, Lakeville, Raynham, Taunton, Assonet, Freetown, Fall River, Berkley, and New Bedford**

**Location of work:** •Installation of fencing along the Middleborough Secondary Line railroad right-of-way at locations between Route 140 in Taunton and the new Middleborough Station site (161 South Main Street, Middleborough) •Installation of fencing along the Fall River Secondary Line railroad right-of-way at locations between Richmond Road in Assonet and the Fall River Depot site (825 Davol Street) in Fall River •Installation of fencing along the New Bedford Main Line railroad right-of-way at locations between the East Taunton Station site (1141 County Street) in Taunton and the New Bedford Station Site (Acushnet Avenue at Whale's Tooth Parking Lot) in New Bedford

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Monday through Saturday, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

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## **Berkley: Railroad Access at Mill Street for Signal Work**

Residents of Mill Street in Berkley may notice an increase in frequency and volume of traffic as crews performing South Coast Rail signal work will be accessing the railroad right-of-way and work staging area at the end of the street.

**Location of work:** Access to railroad right-of-way at Mill Street in Berkley

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Typically, Monday through Friday (with weekend work as necessary), 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

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## Berkley: Railroad Access at Cotley Street

**Location of work:** Cotley Street in Berkley

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Please note that the contractor will be using Cotley Street to access the right-of-way for various work activities. This access will be primarily used during the daytime (7:00 AM-7:00 PM) but will also be used 24-hours/day during some activities.

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## Berkley: Railroad Work at Myricks Street

**Location of work:** Work in the railroad right-of-way in the area of Myricks Street in Berkley

**Dates/Hours of Work:** Monday through Saturday, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

*Please note that although regular daytime construction hours begin at 7:00 AM, abutters may notice crews arriving at the construction sites prior to this time.*

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## Daytime Work on Middleborough Secondary and New Bedford Main Line

Construction is ongoing at station and layover sites and along the railroad right-of-way from Middleborough to New Bedford.

**Location of Work:**

- New Middleborough Station site, 161 South Main Street, Middleborough
- East Taunton Station site, 1141 County Street, Taunton
- Wamsutta Layover Facility site, 217 Herman Melville Boulevard, New Bedford

Bedford • Church Street Station site, 387 Church Street, New Bedford • New Bedford Station Site, Acushnet Avenue (at Whale's Tooth Parking Lot), New Bedford • Middleborough Secondary and New Bedford Main Line right-of-way

**Dates/Hours of Work:** • Monday, April 3 through Saturday, April 8, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM • Monday, April 10 through Friday, April 14, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

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## Daytime Work on Fall River Secondary Line

Construction is ongoing at station and layover sites and along the railroad right-of-way from Berkley to Fall River.

**Location of work:** • Freetown Station site, 153 South Main Street, Assonet • Weaver's Cove Layover Facility, 2680 North Main Street, Fall River • Fall River Depot site, 825 Davol Street, Fall River • Fall River Secondary Line railroad right-of-way

**Dates/Hours of Work:** • Monday, April 3 through Saturday, April 8, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM • Monday, April 10 through Friday, April 14, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

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## Daytime Transportation of Soils

Please note that soils excavated from the railroad right-of-way and roadways during the above work are typically transported during the day by truck to designated project sites.

**Dates/Hours of Work:** •Regular daytime hours 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

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## From the Directors of Community Engagement and Construction

Thank you for your continued interest in South Coast Rail,

**Jean Fox, Director of Community Engagement &  
Kim Dobosz, Director of Construction**

### Report a construction-related issue

If you would like to report a construction-related issue on the South Coast Rail project, please call the hotline at (617) 222-4099.

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