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## SOUTHERN NH REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS DERRY WATER LINE EXTENSION – ROUTE 28

On August 22, 2019 the Town of Derry contracted with DeFelice Corporation of Dracut MA to construct 7,600 feet of new public water mains along Rockingham Road -Route 28 from Ryan's Hill to the Windham town line. DeFelice will also construct a new pressure reducing valve station in the vicinity of 205 Rockingham Road which will regulate water pressures to our south.

This project will begin the week of October 7 with roadside clearing and soil borings along the pipeline route. Actual pipeline installation will begin the week of October 14 at the Windham town line and will proceed north along the east side of Rte. 28. Ledge blasting will begin along the west side of Rte. 28 at the top of Ryan's Hill and proceed south. Construction will continue into the fall as weather permits. At the first sign of winter weather, work may cease along Route 28 and will resume in the spring. Our goal is to complete the pipeline by the early summer of 2020.

This pipeline project constitutes the first phase of the Southern NH Regional Water Project Improvements in Derry. The Town has received bids to complete the second phase which includes a new water booster pumping station on Rte. 28 - Manchester Road at the Londonderry town line and significant upgrades to our existing Rockingham Road water booster pumping station. These improvements to Derry's water distribution system are part of the Southern NH Regional Water Project needed to supply drinking water from Manchester Water Works (MWW) to Windham, Salem, Hampstead, Atkinson and Plaistow to address contamination and water supply issues. This project, including the \$6.9 million of improvements in Derry, is being funded through a grant by the NH Department of Environmental Services Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau.

Due to restriction by the NH Department of Transportation, who has jurisdiction over Route 28, service stub connections will be limited to select crossings of Route 28. Individual property owners will be responsible for connecting their properties to these stub locations. A full set of the construction plans may be viewed on the Town of Derry website at <u>www.derrynh.org</u>.

While most work will occur along the road shoulders, construction will impact some properties along their frontage. Residents should also expect intermittent traffic delays. Issues regarding driveways, lawns, landscaping, etc. should be addressed to the Derry DPW at 603-432-6144.