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## **PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Beaver Street Sewer Interceptor Replacement Project Groundbreaking**

FRANKLIN, MA – The Town of Franklin will host Commissioner Bonnie Heiple of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) for a groundbreaking ceremony on November 9 at 11am to kickoff the Beaver Street Sewer Interceptor Replacement Project. The location of the groundbreaking will be at the Franklin Recreation Center at 275 Beaver Street in Franklin.

The Rehabilitation and Realignment of the Beaver Street Interceptor will provide the most cost-effective, long-term solution to the Interceptor's capacity and structural deficiencies, and will improve accessibility, operational and maintenance challenges as well as environmental impacts for the Town.

Originally constructed in 1914, the Beaver Street Interceptor has been in continuous service for 108 years. Other than routine maintenance, no improvements to the interceptor have been made since its construction. The Interceptor is Franklin's most critical sewer asset, conveying over 70 percent of the Town's sewage with an average daily sewage flow of approximately 1.5 million gallons per day through the pipeline. The interceptor includes 59 manholes and approximately 2.3 miles of pipe, extending from the intersection of Cottage Street and Union Street to the easement behind Pond Street, near the Interstate 495/Route 140 interchange, where it discharges to the Mine Brook Interceptor.

Town officials, along with Commissioner Heiple, will say a few words about this vital construction project, which is anticipated to take about 30 months to complete from fall 2023 to summer 2026.

All community stakeholders are welcome to attend.

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