

Bascom Hill/Lathrop Drive Utilities (Phase 1) Project

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Large scale excavation and construction projects of this sort include a wide range of mitigations to lessen the impact of noise, dust and dirt, and other factors.

Noise

Contractors have been instructed to limit equipment idling and turn off equipment when not in use. FP&M monitors noise levels and address issues as they arise.

Fumes

FP&M will replace filters in building HVAC systems with charcoal filters designed to limit the entry of fumes and particulates.

Dust and Dirt

Contractors will limit dust by using existing roadways when possible, and by watering dusty areas when conditions become too dry.

Run-off of dirt and dust will be monitored and mitigated based on DNR stormwater management permits for the project.

Vibration

Contractors will install vibration monitors in adjacent buildings. Vibration levels will be monitored throughout the project.

Cracks and Damage

Contractors will conduct a crack and damage survey to document existing conditions in buildings adjacent to the work site. Existing cracks may be monitored throughout the project to monitor changes.

Settling of Buildings

Survey monuments will be installed on adjacent buildings and monitored regularly during the work to monitor settlement.

Archaeology

All work performed in cataloged burial sites will be overseen by an archeologist who will be present on site during the work.

Historic Buildings

The Wisconsin Historical Society has reviewed and approved plans for changes to utility-related modifications of historic buildings.

Truck Traffic

Truck traffic will be limited to existing truck routes.

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Tree Pruning, Removals, and Protection

Tree pruning and removals have been reviewed by FP&M landscape architects and Grounds staff. Tree protection fencing will be monitored regularly during construction.

Site Restoration

When work is completed in a given area, the site will be restored to normal conditions. Seasonal conditions may delay some site restoration activities.

Detours

Detour signage for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists will be installed and monitored for the duration of the project.

Staging

The work is divided into *stages* in order to coordinate all the requirements and to restore completed areas as soon as possible after work is complete.

Communications

FP&M will provide updates as work shifts from one stage to the next, as well as general information about the project, and specific details about detours and closures, safety, and other factors.

Visit the FP&M website at <https://facilities.fpm.wisc.edu/bascom-lathrop-utility-project/> for the latest updates.