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Philadelphia Water
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Dear Philadelphia Water Customer,

I am writing to let you know that Philadelphia Water is planning a construction project in the street and on the sidewalk near your property. This project is part of Philadelphia's *Green City, Clean Waters* program, a city-wide initiative to improve our water quality and beautify our neighborhoods by building green stormwater infrastructure. Green stormwater infrastructure means we use plants, trees and stone to capture rainwater flowing from hard surfaces such as streets, sidewalks and buildings. This lets the water slowly filter into the ground and allows plant roots to soak it up. The new projects in your neighborhood will help keep our local rivers and streams clean and reduce combined sewer overflows. To read more about *Green City, Clean Waters*, please visit our website at www.phillywatersheds.org.

As part of this project, Philadelphia Water will install the following:

- Stormwater Bumpouts along Crispin Street from Ryan Avenue to Rhawn Street, and on Rowland Avenue from Ryan Street to Tudor Street
- Stormwater Tree Trenches along Rowland Avenue from Ryan Avenue to Aldine Street
- Stormwater Planters along Rowland Avenue from Ryan Avenue to Vista Street

To read more about these stormwater management tools, please visit www.phillywatersheds.org/tools.

We will be presenting our plans for this project at the Holmesburg Civic Association's monthly meeting, which will take place on June 14th at 7:15 PM at the Holmesburg Recreation Center, 4500 Rhawn St, Philadelphia, PA 19136. We hope you will join us.

This project is still being designed so construction has not yet been scheduled, but will probably be at least a year from now. Once the construction schedule is available, we will notify the community.

If you have any feedback on these construction plans, please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at hailey.stern@phila.gov or 267-625-0280.

Sincerely,

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