



Randy E. Hayman, Water Commissioner

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Dear Philadelphia Water Department Customer:

You are receiving this letter as a notification that a Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) construction job is beginning in your neighborhood. Our work will take place in the coming months on the blocks listed below, and as a neighbor in this community we want you to be aware of possible traffic disruptions and delays while this work is ongoing.

This project is a part of the City of Philadelphia’s Green City, Clean Waters initiative – a 25-year plan to improve the quality of our waterways by installing green stormwater infrastructure (GSI) in our neighborhoods, coupled with traditional infrastructure like collection, pumping, and wastewater treatment plant enhancements. These ‘green tools’ installed in your area will absorb stormwater that would normally overflow into our local creeks, streams, and rivers during heavy storms. For more information on this plan, please visit: [water.phila.gov/green-city/](http://water.phila.gov/green-city/).

Due to the staggered nature of construction, residents directly impacted by this work will receive an **additional hand delivered letter** to their home when that work is soon to begin on their block. This project will take place at these locations:

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Type of Work &amp; Green Tool</u>
Upland Way	N. 59th St.	N. 56th St.	GSI; Tree Trenches
N. 59th St.	Lancaster Ave.	Upland Way	GSI; Tree Trenches
N. 56th St.	Upland Way	Arlington St.	GSI; Tree Trenches
W. Berks St.	Upland Way	N. 56th St.	GSI; Subsurface Storage

**PWD Project Name & Website:** #50258 Upland Way | [water.phila.gov/50258](http://water.phila.gov/50258)

**Contractor:** Gessler Construction Co.

**Estimated Project Dates:** Fall 2023 – Fall 2024

- During normal working hours (7:00am-3:30pm), it may be necessary to close the street
- Trash and recycling should be placed at the curb as regularly scheduled
- This GSI project has both an engineer and inspector who will be on-site regularly to ensure that the work proceeds in a safe and professional manner
- Should you experience any problems as a result of the work, please talk with the inspector on the job site who will be wearing clothing identifying them as a PWD employee; contact information is also on the Project Page site listed above
- If a water service line needs to be shut-off, the inspector will notify your block one day in advance

If you are unable to contact the assigned inspector at the job site, please contact the engineer at the number listed below between 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Should a water emergency occur, please call the Water Department hotline at (215) 685-6300. **Further information about this project can be found at [water.phila.gov/50258](http://water.phila.gov/50258).**

Sincerely,  
Frank Stollenwerk, Division Engineer  
215-964-8036

Stephen Adesipo, Project Engineer  
267-592-8021

*If you need a copy of this information in another language, please call the number above.  
Si desea una copia de esta información en español, llámenos al número indicado arriba.*

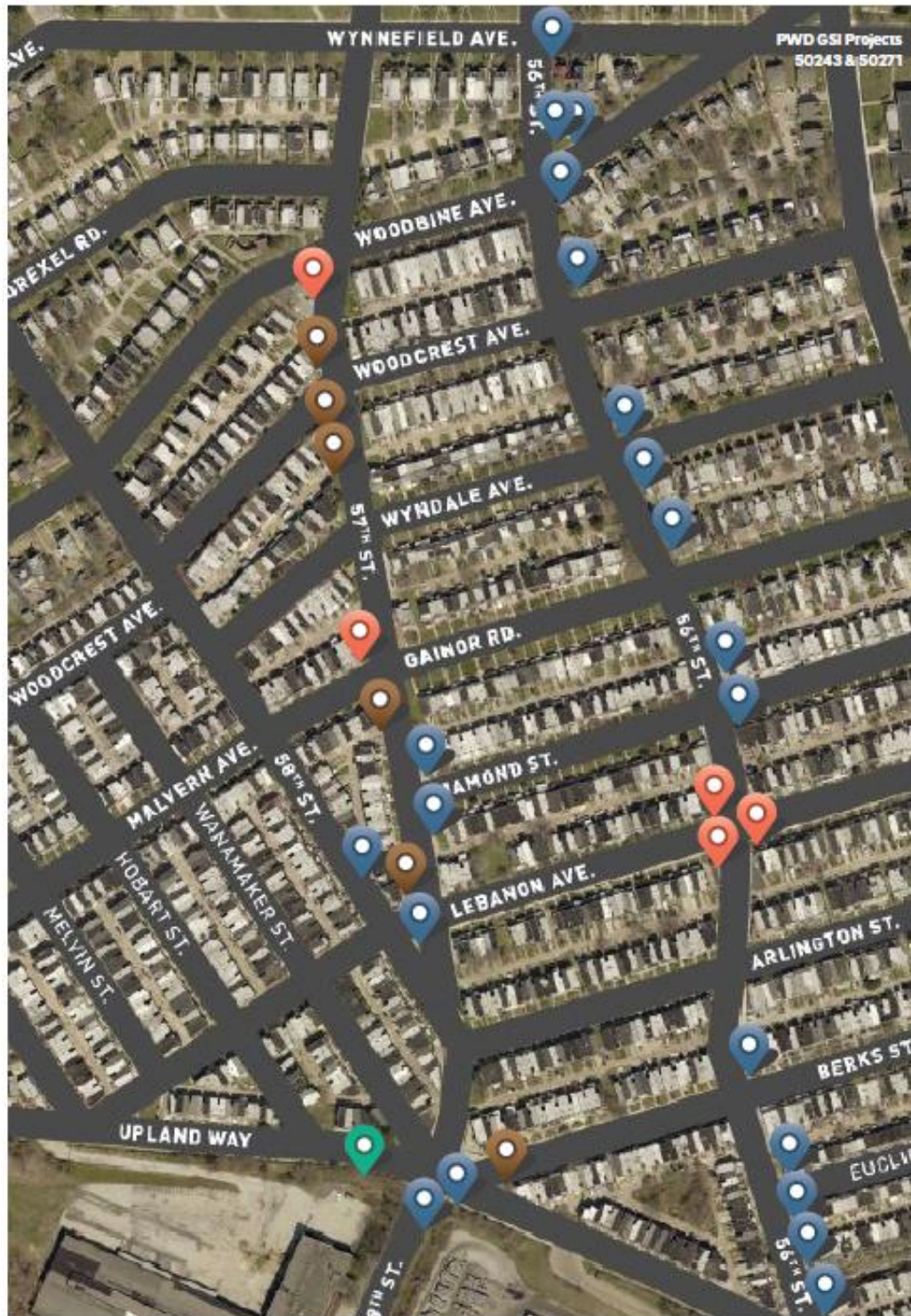
# 56-57th Street & Upland Way

Planned Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Projects

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Green Gutter



Rain Garden



Stormwater Bumpout



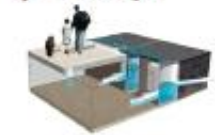
Stormwater Planter



Stormwater Tree Trench



Subsurface Storage



Newly Constructed GSI

These green tools capture and store runoff to protect local waterways.

For more information, please email [Daniel.Schupsky@phila.gov](mailto:Daniel.Schupsky@phila.gov) or visit [water.phila.gov/green-city](http://water.phila.gov/green-city).