PHILADELPHIA WATER DEPARTMENT
1101 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Projects & Construction

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Dear Philadelphia Resident,

The Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) is upgrading the wastewater pump station located at 3870 Ford Road. This project is called **Ford Road Pump Station Upgrades** (Project #75051). The contractor assigned to this job is C&H Industrial Services.

Construction Started June 2026

Type of Work	Location	Construction Dates*
Pump Station Upgrades	3870 Ford Road	Mid 2026 – Mid 2027
Sewer Bypass Piping	Edgley Ave between Belmont Ave and Ford Rd	Late 2026 – Early 2027

**All dates are subject to change*

Reason for Project

The pump station moves wastewater from homes and businesses in Wynnefield Heights to a treatment plant. There, the wastewater is cleaned before it enters the river. We are upgrading the pump station with new pumps, pipes, valves, and electrical equipment. These upgrades make our system more resilient for the future.

Neighborhood Impacts

- A temporary sewer bypass pipe will run along the shoulder of Edgley Ave between Ford Rd and Belmont Ave through a portion of Fairmount Park for approximately three months.
- You can expect to see crews operating heavy machinery (trucks, tractors, bulldozers, etc.)
- Parking in the gravel areas along Edgley Ave will be restricted while sewer bypass piping is in place.
- Pedestrian access, trash collection, and deliveries to homes and businesses will be maintained.
- There will not be interruptions to your drinking water, stormwater, or wastewater services as part of this project.

Park and Trail Impacts

We are working closely with Philadelphia Parks and Recreation and the Belmont Trails Alliance to minimize impacts on park land. The *Mighty Mouse* and *Wild Mouse* trails will be detoured while sewer bypass piping is in place. Signage will be posted to help guide trail users. Wooded areas impacted by construction will be replanted. Grass seed will also be spread.

What is a Sewer Bypass?

Sewer bypass piping lets wastewater keep moving while workers upgrade the main sewer. This helps the system continue working as normal.

Who to Contact

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The latest info will be available on the project web page: water.phila.gov/75051

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Aerial View

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