



## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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The Broad Creek Wastewater Pumping Station (WWPS) Augmentation Project is a consent decree project. This project provides for construction of modifications to the Broad Creek Wastewater Pumping Station (WWPS), a new force main/gravity sewer/pressure sewer from the Broad Creek WWPS to the Piscataway Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), and new storage and headwork improvements at the Piscataway WWTP. The design for this project has been substantially completed since November 2011. All required permits for the project have been approved except for an access agreement with the National Park Service. There are four construction contracts associated with this project. Please see projects status below:

### **1. Piscataway Wastewater Treatment Plant Storage and Headworks Improvements – CD4231D05.**

The Notice to Proceed for this construction contract was on May 19, 2014. The specified substantial completion date for this contract is May 17, 2016.



*Foundation for New Grit Building*



*Clearing and dewatering for Storage Facility*

### **2. Conveyance System (Southern Portion) – CT4231E05.**

All permits for this contract have been acquired. This construction contract was advertised for bid on June 30, 2014. A Prebid Conference is scheduled for July 9, 2014. Bid opening is scheduled for August 7, 2014. The estimated construction time for this contract is 36 months from date of award.

**3. Conveyance System (Northern Portion) – CT4231F05.**

This contract requires the approval of an Environmental Assessment Study by the National Park Service (NPS) which will lead to an access agreement. The Environmental Assessment Study was submitted in July 2012 and resubmitted in December 2012. The public notice period by the National Park Service began on April 5, 2013 and concluded on May 6, 2013. The NPS is reviewing the “Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI)” draft document resubmitted by WSSC on March 27, 2013. WSSC continues to work with the NPS to obtain approval of the FONSI document. The NPS requested clarification on WSSC alignment on August 7, 2013 and WSSC responded on August 13, 2013. NPS has been an active participant on the Broad Creek project since 2009; however, in a meeting between WSSC and NPS on November 8, 2013, four years into the project, NPS advised WSSC that NPS will not allow the proposed alignment to move forward. On December 5, 2013, WSSC and NPS met with Staff from US Senator Cardin’s Office and Staff from US Congressman Hoyer’s Offices. It was agreed that WSSC would provide all existing project documents relating to the proposed pipeline alignment on NPS property for NPS’s review and evaluation. WSSC provided all of the information requested by NPS as of December 24, 2013. On February 6, 2014, WSSC met with NPS and NPS indicated that they will approve the FONSI and allow the proposed alignment to move forward if an access agreement which mitigates the pipeline impacts to their property can be reached. WSSC is working with NPS on determining the terms of the access agreement, however, at this point, it is not certain that this agreement will be reached and the FONSI Document approved. The estimated construction time for this contract is 36 months from date of award.

**4. Broad Creek WWPS Architectural/Electrical/Mechanical Rehabilitation – CP4231G05.**

This contract is dependent on the approval of an Environmental Assessment Study, FONSI document, and access agreement by the National Park Service (NPS) as described above. The estimated construction time for this contract is 24 months from date of award.

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