



\$3.2 Million Water Supply Improvement Project

Greater Morristown Area

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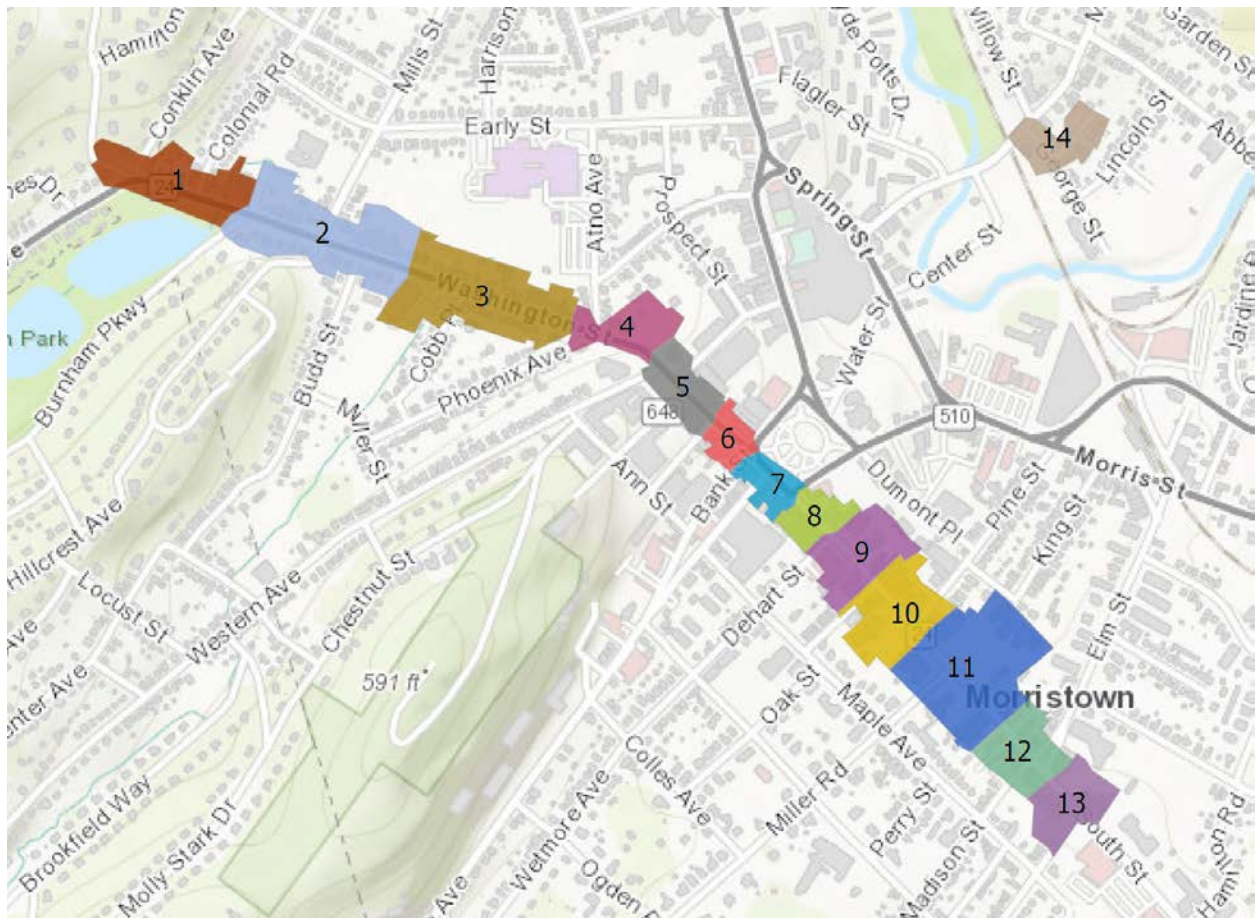
The Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (SMCMUA) has initiated a \$3.2 million Water Supply Improvement Project for the replacement of about 8,100 linear feet, or 1.53 miles, of unlined, cast-iron water main, replacement of 30 fire hydrants and installation of 40 new water meters and meter pits. This project will improve the reliability and resiliency of the system, including fire protection, water loss due to leakage and water quality. The main renewal contract was awarded to Reivax Contracting where the project duration is expected to be about one year.

The water main replacement projects are located in the Town of Morristown and Morris Township. In Morristown, 6,600 linear feet (1.25 miles) of water main will be replaced in the business district and 600 linear feet (0.11 miles) in a residential area. Nine hundred linear feet (0.17 miles) of water main has already been replaced in Morris Township as part of this project.

Each section of water main replaced includes installing new concrete-lined ductile-iron pipe, fire hydrants, valves, sample stations, water meters and meter pits. An additional 30 existing fire hydrants located throughout the service area will be replaced and 40 water meters and meter pits will be installed in a portion of the system located in Florham Park.

The 6,600 linear feet (1.25 miles) of water main replacement in the Morristown business district represents the most significant investment for the project, including the replacement of some of the oldest unlined, cast-iron main, circa 1890s, in the service area. The new main will be installed between Washington Street at Conklin Avenue, along West Park Place to South Street at James Street. The 1890s unlined, cast-iron main will be replaced in a series of 13 segments, beginning with Segment 1 at Washington Street and Conklin and ending at Segment 13 at South Street and James Street.

An additional 250 feet of water main on George Street and 350 feet on Rowe Street will also be replaced in Morristown. The Morristown project will start on January 11, 2020 with the residential section on George and Rowe Streets followed by Segment 1 in the business district starting on or about January 15th.



Due to the extensive coordination required for the main renewal in the Morristown business district, SMCMUA has developed a Project Hub webpage on their website at www.smcmua.org. The Project Hub webpage will be fully functional by January 25, 2021, in the interim, the webpage contains basic project information. The Project Hub will serve as a community resource to maintain up-to-date information on the project. The Project Hub provides a project description and will maintain current information regarding the project schedule and work locations. The Project Hub also includes an interactive interface for the community to easily assess whether they will be impacted by the project.

SMCMUA encourages all community members to register for water alerts in order to ensure that they receive time sensitive information from SMCMUA about this project along with other important water alerts. Community members can register at www.smcmua.org by choosing the “Register for Citizen Alerts” icon. Account holders can also update their contact information on the website by choosing the “Update Account Information” icon.

For additional information, please contact SMCMUA’s Customer Service Division at 973-326-6880 or by email at customerservice@smcmua.org.