



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY | 5000 OVERLOOK AVENUE, SW | WASHINGTON, DC 20032

## DC CLEAN RIVERS PROJECT GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

DC Water is implementing its Clean Rivers Project, a 13-mile system of tunnels and diversion sewers throughout the District that will help mitigate flooding and reduce combined sewer overflows (CSOs) to Rock Creek and the Anacostia and Potomac Rivers.

As part of medium-term Bloomingdale flooding mitigation efforts, DC Water is also reducing storm-water runoff by constructing Green Infrastructure to capture, infiltrate, and treat stormwater runoff before it enters the sewer system. Work will occur along the Irving Street corridor between Michigan Avenue and North Capitol Street.

Our contractor will install bioretention (similar to rain gardens) at 15 sites in median islands and the roadside along the Irving



Street corridor, including the Wangari Community Gardens site. Construction will take place beginning Monday, November 25, 2013 through April 30, 2014, weather permitting. Daily work hours will be from 7:00 a.m. through 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### Construction impacts and important information are as follows:

- Pedestrian impacts will include sidewalk closures and detours around the project work areas.
- Traffic impacts will include temporary lane and shoulder closures.
- Staging for this project will take place at Wangari Gardens, south of the garden area, and all work areas will be fenced and secured at the close of each work day.
- All staging areas will be restored to their original condition following completion of the project.
- There will be noise during construction. Noise levels will be closely monitored.
- At various times during construction, "No Parking" signs will need to be posted in certain areas within the workzone.
- Notifications regarding no parking zones will be posted 72 hours prior to the start of construction, as required by the District Department of Transportation.

### For more important information:

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## IMPORTANT COMMUNITY MEETING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

### IRVING STREET GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

DC Water is conducting a community meeting for residents surrounding the Irving Street Corridor between Michigan Avenue and North Capitol Street in support of the Irving Street Green Infrastructure Project.

The community meeting will share DC Water's plans for greening Irving Street as a part of medium-term flooding mitigation efforts.

Green Infrastructure is part of the overall flood control solution. Green Infrastructure techniques such as bioretention provide benefits beyond traditional sewer solutions, by providing environmental benefits in the form of habitat for birds and pollinators, as well as clean air, and clean water; social benefits by enhancing community space; and economic benefits through local jobs creation and increased property values.

DC Water will meet with residents to review construction plans and impacts specific to your area.

Below you will find the community meeting schedule and rain date:

- **What** – Meeting with Irving Street residents
- **Date** – Saturday, November 23, 2013 (**Rain Date**- Sunday, November 24 , 2013)
- **Time** – 1:00pm – 2:00pm
- **Location** – Wangari Gardens, picnic area

We thank you in advance for your participation.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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