PW645 Carver Renovation
Town Hall Meeting
October 9, 2015

Q & A

Q: Is the current concrete breaker equipment creating the loudest noise of the project?
A: ONE of the loudest but can’t promise that it’s THE loudest. While breaking up the pool structure, 18” additional inches of grout was found. This will take outside of a week to demolish. The major demolition is done; demolition for the next three weeks will be inside. It will be noisy, but muffled.
Pin pile driving will start the first week of November. There are 40. Noise created will be more of a “tap-tap” sound. Drilling of the auger cast piles will be loud and annoying. There are several hundred to install scheduled from November through January. There will be about six to eight heavy equipment rigs on site that will create noise and exhaust during this time.

Q: When will building be enclosed?
A: January 2017. Funding delays prevented getting more of the noisy work done this summer.

Q: The noise is manageable for offices on the south side of Bond Hall but is disruptive for classes especially for finals. Can classrooms be relocated?
A: Options are being considered including reduced work during finals week, Saturday testing, relocation to other departmental classrooms (Engineering Department has generously offered their space). The Solarium, VU and Library are other possibilities. Occupancy under 25 is possible but spaces for classes of over 40 are difficult to find. Also depends on the time needed. Typically, the need is ad hoc and immediate. So far everyone’s worked together to make accommodations.
The pile installation that will start in November will begin at the north end and move south. During the demolition phase the noise has diminished as the work moved south.
EHS tested noise levels by the fencing. It’s loud but not enough to cause damage. Was unable to test inside Bond Hall. EHS has earplugs available that will be distributed through Dale Krause and Sue Sullivan.

Q: Has the construction crew been working later recently?
A: Due to the additional abatement work needed, the crew has been working 10 hour days this week (7:00 am to 5:30 pm).
Next Monday the fire lane by Bond Hall will be reduced to allow some investigative work in the storm drain.

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