

ATLANTIC YARDS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE
Weeks of March 1, 2010 through March 8, 2010

In an effort to keep the Atlantic Yards Community aware of upcoming construction activities, ESD and Forest City Ratner provide the following outline of anticipated upcoming construction activities.

Please note: the scope and nature of activities are subject to change based upon field conditions. In addition, during the utility work water shut offs may be required; these shut downs are done under the oversight of DEP and property owners will be given advance notice. All work has been approved by appropriate City and State agencies where required. In addition to the activities described below noise attenuation and vibration monitoring measures are underway in connection with the Amended Memorandum of Environmental Commitments dated as of 12/21/09.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact our project Ombudsperson at: 212-803-3233 or AtlanticYards@empire.state.ny.us

Long Island Rail Road/Vanderbilt Yard Work

- Some final wiring will be done on the lighting system. Upon completion of this, the LIRR will conduct testing of the lighting as previously reported. This testing – which entails adjustments to placement and illumination -- will be conducted at night and will take place over 2-3 nights.
- Temp Yard Punch list – minor items remain to be completed.
- Work continues on the relocation of the MG Set from BL1119 to BL 1120. Work entails mechanical and electrical work inside the building.
- Installation of protection of LIRR substation A0-1 via erection of a sidewalk bridge over this equipment in BL1119 will begin.

Environmental Remediation

- The environmental consultant has completed most of the shallow excavation and drilling to test and classify soils in blocks 1127 and 1119. Work will continue on parcels that were previously blocked with utility construction vehicles. This is prep work required in advance of any actual removal of soil from the site.
- Continuation of water quality monitoring around the site per NYS Department of Environmental Conservation requirements.
- In accordance with the request of the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, additional monitoring wells are being installed on block 1118 lots 1 and , block 1119 lots 1 & 64 and Block 1127, lots 11, 12, and 13.

Infrastructure

- The contractor completed pile drilling in all areas except 5th Avenue/Flatbush intersection. Drilling will resume once the intersection is closed to traffic. Sewer pipe installation will also resume along Flatbush at that time.
- The contractor will continue to perform ancillary work at the recently installed sewer pipe between Flatbush and Atlantic including underpinning a section of the subway vent structure and demolition of a TA manhole. The work will be completed and connected to a sewer in Atlantic Avenue once 5th Avenue is closed to traffic.
- The contractor plans to excavate Atlantic Avenue at two locations to cut and cap an abandoned water main. The work at the location west of Flatbush will be performed at night and will be plated over every morning before rush hour traffic begins, per DOT stipulations. The location at the east will be performed during regular work hours behind barricades that will remain in place until work is completed. This work is expected to begin the week of March 1, 2010.
- Immediately following the water main cut and cap, the contractor will dig test pits on Atlantic Avenue between Flatbush and 6th Avenue to locate the exact profile of the LIRR tunnel and existing sewer pipes. The work will be performed with the approval of the LIRR. The work is expected to begin within the next two weeks.
- The contractor will install traffic and pedestrian safety barriers (MPT) on Atlantic Avenue between Flatbush and east of 5th Avenue to accommodate the cut and cap and test pit work described above. The barriers will remain in place after the work is complete and will be incorporated into the more extensive system of traffic and pedestrian barriers that will be installed for the arena construction. This work has been approved by the DOT and the contractor has all requisite approvals/permits.
- The contractor will install a water main crossing BL 1118. The work will require a connection to an existing water main on the west side of Flatbush between 5th Avenue and Dean Street. All excavation in the bed of Flatbush Avenue will be performed at night and will be plated over at the end of the shift so that traffic can be restored every morning.
- During the course of this work, the contractor may encounter unforeseen contaminants, underground storage tanks or other structures. In the event that this happens and where appropriate, notification will be given to the DEC and remediation steps were implemented.

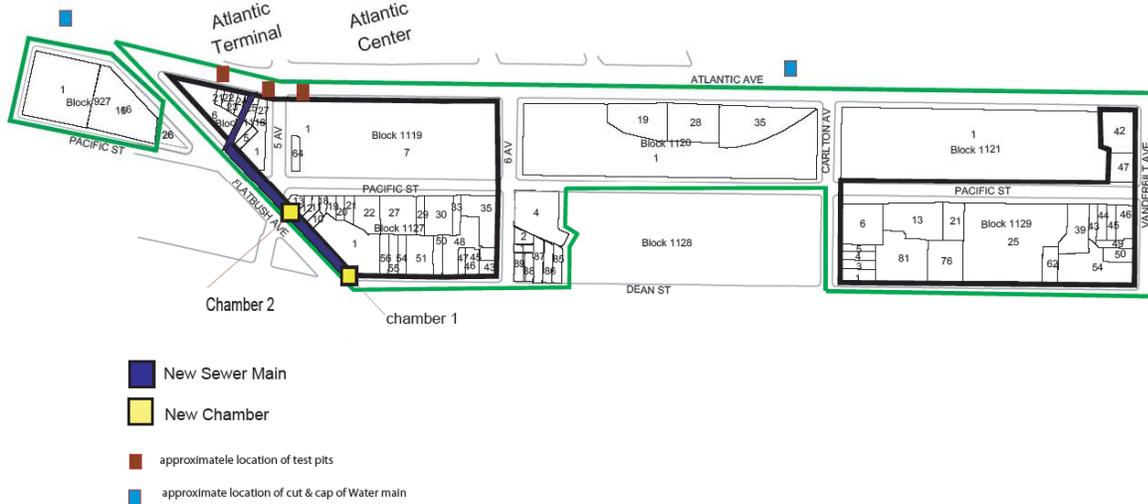
Demolition

- The abatement is complete at 624 and 648 Pacific Street and 473 and 475 Dean Street. Filings for demolition permits are in progress.
- Sidewalk sheds and scaffolding will be installed at 624 and 648 Pacific Street and 467 Dean Streets as required by the Department of buildings.
- Abatement filings will be submitted on additional buildings in the arena footprint.
- Demolition of 467 Dean Street is expected to begin within the two week period.

Full Street Closures

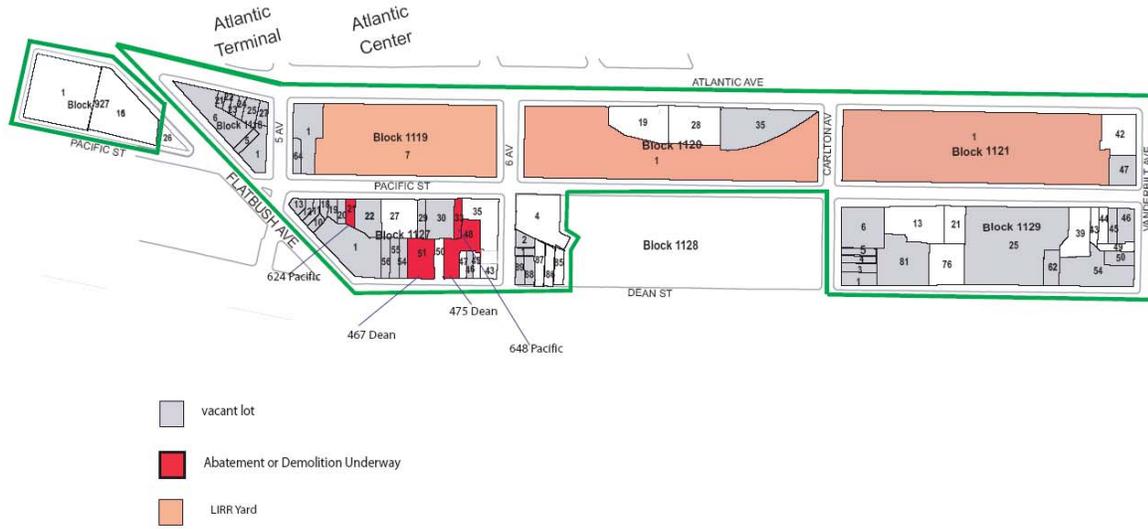
- Traffic rerouting and street closures outlined in the January 11, 2010 Community Notice (see attached) have been delayed until further notice.

Atlantic Yards Public Utility Infrastructure



as of February 15, 2010

Atlantic Yards Demolition Status



as of February 15, 2010

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Closure of Sections of Fifth Avenue and Pacific Street

Beginning on or around February 1, 2010

It is anticipated that beginning on or around Monday, February 1, 2010, the following streets in Brooklyn will be permanently closed:

- Fifth Avenue (between Flatbush and Atlantic Avenues)
- Pacific Street (between Fifth and Sixth Avenues)
- Pacific Street (between Vanderbilt and Carlton Avenues)

Local and emergency vehicle access will be maintained as needed.

These streets are being closed to accommodate the Atlantic Yards project. Northbound traffic on Fifth Avenue can use Flatbush Avenue or Sixth Avenue to continue north; southbound traffic can use Sixth Avenue. Eastbound traffic on Pacific Street can use Dean Street; westbound traffic can use Bergen Street.

To facilitate vehicle circulation, Sixth Avenue (between Flatbush Avenue and Pacific Street) and the block of Carlton Avenue (between Dean and Pacific Streets) will become two-way.

These changes necessitate the removal of the Cobble Hill-bound B63 bus stop on Fifth Avenue, between Pacific Street and Atlantic Avenue. Passengers can use existing bus stops on Fifth Avenue (at Bergen Street) and on Atlantic Avenue (at Fourth Avenue).

Please see the detour map below.

Advisory signs will be posted in advance of the closures and detour signs will be posted during the work. Traffic agents will be assigned to facilitate the flow of traffic and pedestrians.

Questions relating to this project may be addressed to:

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