

Project Update
South Easton Pond Dam Repairs and Improvements
City of Newport Contract No. 11-047
February 15, 2012

With the placement of compacted gravel placement on the North Embankment now substantially completed, construction activity on this embankment has been suspended and will resume in mid- to late-March (weather dependent) when topsoil will be placed in preparation for seeding in April.

A small barge with sheet pile driving equipment was mobilized to the site, and exploratory probes have been completed in the last week along the line of the temporary steel sheeting cofferdam to be installed along the West Embankment.



With the exploratory probing program now complete, the sheet sheets have been ordered from the supplier and will be delivered to the site in the coming weeks. Once the sheets are on site, work to construct the temporary cofferdam will begin, as described below.

- A crane and other equipment delivering steel sheets will be stationed near the Ellery Road/Aborn Street intersection and within the Braga Park parking area in support of construction activities along the West Embankment.
- Once the cofferdam is installed, water will be pumped out of the cofferdammed area to allow reconstruction of the West Embankment, starting at the north end of the West Embankment near the Ellery Road/Aborn Street intersection.
- Work is anticipated to also occur concurrently along the West Embankment's moat channel as part of embankment reconstruction. Property owners along Ellery Road are requested to identify any outlet pipes discharging to the moat channel by calling the project Resident Engineer, Dave Kurowski at 401-861-3070 x 4541, if they have not done so already.

Note that public access on the bridge crossings and embankments is prohibited through the period of construction.