

Horizontal Directional Drill Update

Set-up of the Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD) site in Spar Cove is complete and pilot hole drilling has begun. Set-up of the Milford noise mitigation tent continues, and pilot hole drilling is expected to begin by late-February. The two pilot holes will meet, deep underground, near the western shore of the St. John River.

Progress of the HDD under the river is followed using a tracking cable which a Boston whaler-sized vessel will string across the river about twice a day. Neither the rope nor the vessel will remain in the river when not in use.

To track HDD progress on land in Milford, an above-ground tracking cable will be strung along the lower part of Milford Road and Francis Street, then will travel behind homes to the top of the hill, and then to the drill pad location.

HDD is a method that is generally used to cross large watercourses where instream crossing is not preferred. HDD is conducted by drilling a hole under the watercourse from bank to bank. Once completed, the pipe section is pulled through the hold from one side to the other. Due to the approach angles needed to reach the required depth below the river – on average, more than 70 m below the riverbed – the HDD start points are 250 m and 500 m from the water's edge, east and west sides respectively. Typically, the drilled hole is 50 percent larger than the diameter of the pipe; in this case it will be 42 inches.

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