



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
TOWN OF BELMONT
19 Moore Street
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Engineering
Division

February 11, 2026

Re: 2026 Road Reconstruction

Dear Property Owner:

You are receiving this letter because you own property on a road that is scheduled to be [repaved in 2026](#) and there are some items to be aware of.

Excavation/Utility Moratorium:

Once final paving of the road is completed there will be an excavation moratorium for **5 years**. If you are considering upgrading or adding new utilities (including gas, sewer, water, cable, etc.) please make arrangements to have any work done this spring. If you sell your property within five years after the completion of the reconstruction you should notify the new owner of the moratorium.

Communication:

The best way to receive information about upcoming project activities is to visit <https://www.belmont-ma.gov/177/Engineering-Division> and to be registered for the Belmont Police Department's Emergency Alert Notices. You can register at <https://www.belmont-ma.gov/1952/Connect-with-Us> (See: 'Sign Up for Emergency Alerts')

Curbing:

The Town of Belmont **does not** fund the installation of granite curbing as part of the road reconstruction process. If granite curbing does not exist on your roadway you can upgrade to granite curbing *at your own expense* by hiring a private contractor. Please have your contractor reach out to the Engineering Division if you are considering this option. If you are considering this option, please make arrangements to have the work done prior to road construction.

Roadways with a slope greater than 4% and road segments with shoulders that require re-vegetating will be evaluated to determine if an asphalt berm curb treatment is required to mitigate shoulder erosion and help foster regrowth of the vegetated shoulders. This treatment is funded by the Town. Abutting property owners have the ability to upgrade to granite curbing in these locations, at their expense, as described above. No credit is reimbursed by the Town if you choose this option.

Grass Strips:

As a reminder, if you have a grass strip between your sidewalk and the street, this is considered Town property. These strips will be re-seeded in the last stages of the repaving project. If you have added your own plantings to this area, please transplant before work begins and you can replant after the work ends. The Town is not responsible for any costs associated with removal, storage or replanting of your personal plantings in the grass strips. This rule applies to stepping stones or any other ornamentation you may have placed in this area.

Sidewalks: Limited funding is available for sidewalk repairs/upgrades.

Contact Information: For further information please contact: Tom Hodgson, Resident Engineer, 617-993-2656, or E-mail: thodgson@belmont-ma.gov

Sincerely,
Engineering Division