

Daniel V. Jerram
First Selectman



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July 6, 2012

Dear Friends & Fellow Residents:

Since our Town Meeting on October 18, 2011, I have been working hard with our town engineer and DPW staff to complete the plan of action for the lower end of Steele Road. At that meeting, \$225,000 was appropriated to repave the southern end of the road, covering roughly 1.0+/- miles from Pine Hill Road traveling north. During the meeting, I heard residents call for cautious planning to ensure that drainage work along Steele Road would be done correctly. As a result of that input I convinced the Board of Selectman and Board of Finance to add additional funds for drainage (\$60,000) into this year's budget to allow the town to hire an independent contractor that specializes in this type of work. With the approval of the budget, these additional funds became active on July 1, 2012.

I'm happy to inform you that the drainage project was put out to bid, and the contract awarded to Hemlock Construction, Inc. Beginning on Monday, July 9, 2012, construction crews will start to appear on site. Once the mobilization process is complete, the replacement of all the catch basins and most of the connecting cross pipes will begin.

Please be aware that this type of construction project will require road closures and detours so that crews can work safely and efficiently within the roadway. In some cases, even local traffic will not be able to pass over these areas (drainage ditches may remain open over night during construction requiring alternate access to your home from either Route 202 or Hoppen Road depending on your specific location). I have notified all emergency responders of this construction project and detours.

While temporary inconveniences will occur over the next few weeks, the end result will be well worth the wait. Once all the drainage work is complete, Galasso Materials, L.L.C. will reclaim and repave the road.

I thank you in advance for your patience as this construction project goes forward. If you have any questions or concerns about the project, please don't hesitate to call me at Town Hall at 860-379-3389.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Jerram", is written over the typed name.

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