

Our BORING Flyer

Alexandria Renew Enterprises is implementing a major construction program to achieve healthier waterways in Alexandria by upgrading our century-old combined sewer system.

A new network of tunnels is being planned to connect to the existing combined sewer system and prevent millions of gallons of sewage mixed with rainwater from reaching our waterways.

Over the next few days, RiverRenew will be drilling near Jamieson Avenue in African-American Heritage Park to collect soil samples and environmental data.

AlexRenew will be using the data it collects to better understand the conditions below ground. When we're done collecting samples, we'll follow standard practice and fill the holes with an environmentally friendly grout-like material and return the site to its existing condition.

WHAT, EXACTLY, IS A BORING?

A boring is essentially a small, deep hole in the ground – about the diameter of a softball. We'll conduct borings to collect two types of soil samples:

- **Auger sample:** Think of a long drill bit going into the ground.
- **Split-spoon sample:** Think of a hollow straw being pushed into piece of cake.

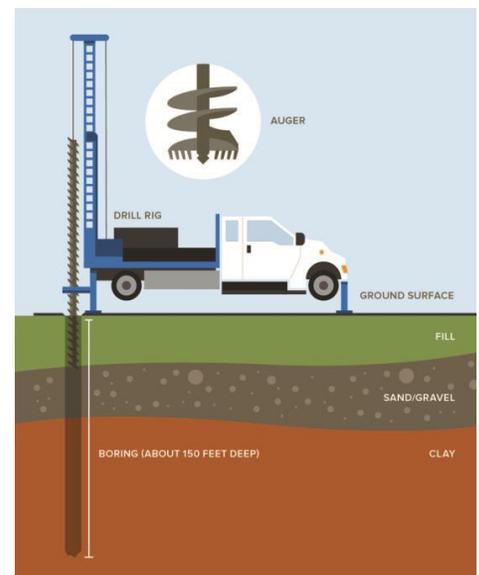
WHAT WILL I SEE?

You may see drilling equipment, or “drill rigs,” with three- or four-person teams at the location outlined on the map. The equipment will spend approximately two weeks at this site, weather permitting.

Please note, boring locations have been chosen with the intent of posing minimal disruptions to the community. We will notify you of any changes in traffic conditions, and we apologize in advance for any inconvenience!



Location of planned borings



Typical drill rig setup

CAN I WATCH?

Of course! But please keep a safe distance from all equipment/workers and be mindful of your surroundings.

WILL IT BE NOISY?

Kind of. Think of a DASH bus idling and pulling away from a stop. Please note that we'll only be working during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

WILL IT SMELL?

Likely not. Soils pulled from the ground will pretty much smell like dirt.

WHEN WILL IT HAPPEN?

We'll be drilling on weekdays between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

IS IT SAFE?

Yes. These types of investigations are very common in Alexandria, and our crews are trained to perform this type of work.

LEARN MORE!

Learn more at riverrenew.com.

If you don't find the answers you need there, contact our Communications and Outreach team at askriverrenew@alexrenew.com or Tel. 703-518-6030.

Our shared vision for RiverRenew is to partner with our neighbors to improve our waterways and strengthen the Alexandria community.



Drilling team at work in Alexandria



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