

About MWRA's Metropolitan Water Tunnel Program Working Group Participation

Through the Metropolitan Water Tunnel Program, MWRA will construct two new water supply tunnels that will allow our aging existing water tunnel system to be rehabilitated without interrupting service. The Program will provide complete redundancy for the existing Metropolitan Tunnel System, which delivers 60 percent of the water that travels eastward from the Quabbin Reservoir, through a series of tunnels and aqueducts to our state-of-the-art water treatment plant in Marlborough, to serve Boston and 44 Eastern Massachusetts communities.

MWRA is committed to an open, transparent process to evaluate alternatives and select the alignment of the proposed tunnels. The MWRA will solicit input from communities and other stakeholders through multiple methods including the formation of Working Groups and by conducting public meetings.

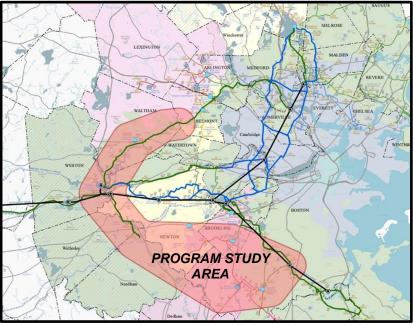
WHAT IS A WORKING GROUP?

A Working Group represents a cross-section of the serviced community and may include employees of the City/Town, residents, business owners or other key stakeholders working together to provide community perspective and input into the planning process. It is anticipated that an initial Working Group for this Program will consist to 10 to 12 members.

WHAT IS MY ROLE AS A WORKING GROUP MEMBER?

Working Group Members will:

- Play an active role in the planning process by attending and participating in Working Group and public meetings
- Provide feedback on approaches to minimize community impacts



- Gather input from community and industry members and share this input at Working Group meetings
- Collaborate and engage with the MWRA design team, other Working Group members, and stakeholders

WHAT IS THE COMMITMENT?

It is anticipated that the Working Group will meet monthly during tunnel alignment evaluation and Environmental Report preparation, which is expected to last approximately two years.

WHAT QUALITIES SHOULD A WORKING GROUP MEMBER HAVE?

Working Group Members who have past experience with similar groups are desirable but most importantly should be collaborative and engaged in the process!

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For more information about the Metropolitan Water Tunnel Program please visit <u>www.mwra.com/mwtp.html</u> or contact our Communications Team at <u>tunnels.info@mwra.com</u>.

