

Notification

Geotechnical Survey Work – Block Island

National Grid will undertake geotechnical survey work which is critical to advancing project engineering and must be done before construction.

Work Description:

The geotechnical survey work, done by our contractors, will use specialized drills attached to trucks to obtain soil and other samples – see pictures for examples. To maintain a safe work area, a temporary construction fence will be put in place four to five feet outside of truck. The drill is driven by a diesel engine, and makes a three to four inch hole in the earth to obtain the sample. The noise that can be heard, which is minimal, is from the diesel engine. Following sample completion, the work area is filled back in and restored to its original condition.

Location: (See map below)

The work will take place in three locations on Block Island Town Beach. Two will be on the beach and one will be in the adjacent parking lot.

Timeframe:

It is estimated that this work will begin and be completed in early-August 2015. Each survey location takes two to four hours to complete and it is our goal to complete more than one site in a day. To avoid community impact with the beach assets, we plan to undertake this work at night (after 6pm) and will avoid Wednesdays and weekends. We will maintain flexibility with timing of day to complete the work and will schedule the work in as short of a timeframe as possible to best meet community needs and minimize impacts.

The areas noted in red text with a box are the geotechnical survey locations within Block Island Town Beach and the adjacent parking lot.



The above pictures are exemplary of the types of equipment used to do this type of geotechnical survey work.

We value community input and welcome your questions.

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