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Dear Abutter:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that an MBTA contractor will be carrying out construction work along the Green Line adjacent to property you own or manage.

Commencing this summer, the MBTA will be performing construction adjacent to the Green Line Fenway Station. Large steel doors will be installed at the entrance to the Green Line tunnel next to Fenway Station to protect the subway from potential future flooding.

Flooding at the Fenway Portal has been a significant issue for the MBTA since the inception of D-Line/Highland Branch service in 1959. When the Muddy River overflowed its banks in 1996, the resultant floodwaters filled the Green Line subway tunnel and extended up to Arlington Station. The flood caused almost \$70 million in damage and Green Line service was shut down for almost a week until an estimated 40 million gallons of water was pumped out of the affected area.

Construction of flood prevention measures will occur over the next 16 months, commencing this summer. To minimize disruptions to the Green Line, most work will take place during 16 weekends spread out over the 16-month period. A limited amount of work will also be performed during weeknights after Green Line service ends. During weekend construction work, the Green Line D branch service will be shut down and replaced by shuttle buses.

For further project information, including regularly updated schedules of construction activities, please see the MBTA website: <https://www.mbtta.com/projects/fenway-portal-project>

For all queries and comments related to this project, please contact:
Fenwayportalproject@mbta.com

The project scope and timeline is summarized on the attached flyer, which you should feel free to distribute to your property occupants as necessary.

Thank you for your patience while we carry out this important infrastructure project.

Sincerely,

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