

A TOWERING INVESTMENT IN PRINCETON



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Princeton water tanks to receive face lift

As our neighbor and valued customer, we wanted to make you aware of a system improvement project we're completing in your neighborhood. New Jersey American Water will be painting two of its water distribution tanks located off of Route 206 in Princeton. The 7.13 million gallon tanks were built and last painted in 1994. The more than \$3 million-plus project represents a critical investment for the company in support of our commitment to provide customers with affordable, high-quality, reliable water. The project will be completed by a qualified tank rehabilitation contractor, Alpine Painting Contractors, and includes sand-blasting and applying paint on the interior and exterior of the tank.

Project Start/End and Work Hours

Tank 1: The interior of the tank was painted last year, and this year, the exterior will be painted. Work will begin this month and weather permitting, will be completed by the end of the year.

Tank 2: Work on the interior of the tank will begin this month and be completed

DID YOU KNOW?

These tanks are two of four existing tanks that are being repainted this year to extend their service life and protect water quality. We are also constructing two new tanks in Upper Township and Harrison, NJ.

by the end of the year. Next spring, we will resume work and paint the exterior of the tank. Work hours will be Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday work will be preformed only upon approval by Princeton Township.

Noise

Our contractor is taking measures to minimize noise levels; however, there will be some unavoidable noise associated with this project when sand blasting. During the painting of the interior of the tank, a dehumidifier must also run around the clock to maintain a proper work environment.

Why repaint the tank and why now?

The cost of rehabilitating the tank represents a significant cost savings to customers in contrast to replacing the structure. In addition, painting and sand blasting provide a protective barrier to prevent the steel from rusting and compromising water quality. The tank is being painted now, so that we can complete the work before the high summer demand for water occurs.

Why not paint over the existing paint?

Stripping the original paint allows us to apply the new paint, with good adhesion, which will add to the lifespan of the structure. If we applied the new paint over the current paint, it would not adhere properly.

Will my water service be disrupted?

We do not anticipate any disruptions to your water service as a result of this project. Customers may experience a reduction in water pressure while the tank is not in service.

Is there lead in the paint?

The existing paint does not contain lead, and the new paint that will be applied to the outside and inside of the tank is lead-free.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have additional questions, please contact our Customer Service Center at 1-800-282-1325.

Hours: M-F,
7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
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