



TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

Week of: April 22nd, 2019

West Concord Junction Open House

Tuesday, April 23rd
4:00 pm to 7:30 pm

The Wheelhouse at Bradford Mill
(33 Bradford St.)

A forum for exploring strategies
that support the artist/creative community



Sponsored by the West Concord Junction Cultural District Committee



Community Gardens

Do you want to grow your own vegetables and flowers this year? Sign up for a spot at one of Concord's community gardens! With four gardens around town, and available space at each garden, there are plenty of opportunities. To learn more, please visit the Town's website at <https://concordma.gov/747/Community-Gardens> or contact the Natural Resources Division at 978-318-3285.



Saturday, April 27th
12pm - 2pm
The Old Manse, Concord



DRIVE ELECTRIC EARTH DAY

JOIN US AT MUSKETAQUID EARTH DAY FESTIVAL!

TEST DRIVE A PRIUS PRIME

CHECK OUT ELECTRIC VEHICLES

TALK TO EV SPECIALISTS AND OWNERS

LEARN ABOUT INCENTIVES

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Fire Department

As we approach the drier weather of late spring and summer, please be aware that open burning season will come to a close on May 1st. Remember that you **MUST** activate your burn permit on the day that you plan to burn and ensure burning is allowed on that day.

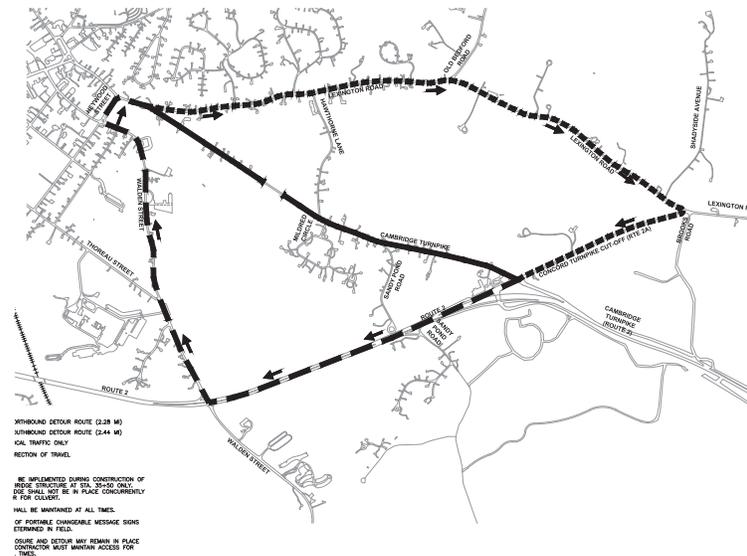
For more information about open burning and permits, please visit the [Fire Department's Permit Page](#)

Cambridge Turnpike Closed

Please be advised that the Cambridge Turnpike Roadway Improvement Project will begin major roadway, drainage and utility construction improvements requiring road closure for thru traffic beginning April 22, 2019. At that time, Cambridge Turnpike will be impassable at the Mill Brook Farm bridge.

The road will be open only to residents, authorized vehicles (i.e. deliveries, guests, business patrons, etc.) and Mill Brook Farm customers. During this closure, that will extend through the 2019 construction season, the Mill Brook Farm, the Emerson House and Concord Museum will remain open and accessible. Please see the [link to the detour map](#) (map shown below) provides information concerning access and alternative routes.

For more information and scheduling please contact the CPW- Engineering Division 978-318-3210.



Cut-Through Traffic Study - Public Workshop

The Town of Concord has been experiencing an increase in traffic congestion and a shift in traffic from arterial and collector roads (which are designed to carry large volumes of vehicles) to local roads (which are typically quieter, residential neighborhood streets). While this shift in traffic may or may not stress the capacity of a local road, there is no doubt that an increase in volume has a much larger impact on the residents of these streets. The Town of Concord has initiated a study to examine cut-through traffic patterns along several residential roadways previously identified. This study is not intended to include arterial and collector roads that are designed for larger volumes of traffic. The goal of this study is to examine existing traffic patterns through data collection and analysis, and to recommend possible actions that would discourage or eliminate cut-through traffic within the study area. Preliminary findings indicate that neighborhoods around the world are experiencing an increase in cut-through traffic due to the use of wayfinding and traffic apps, and, moreover, that mitigation of cut-through traffic involves significant trade-offs that communities need to weigh carefully.

We are soliciting resident feedback related to neighborhood street cut-through concerns.

A [study website](#) will also be available for residents to log concerns and mark streets where it is believed that cut-through traffic is being experienced. This website will be available from April 18, 2019 to May 8, 2019.

Please contact Concord Public Works Engineering Division at 978-318-3210 with any questions related to this project. If you are a person with a disability and require information or materials in an alternate format; or if you require any other accommodation, please contact Richard K. Reine, Director of Public Works and Engineering at (978)318-3201 or email rreine@concordma.gov at least 5 days in advance of the event.