



## Department of Environmental Protection

### **McGilpin Road in Sturbridge Project Update for the Week of July 10, 2017**

#### **Residential Sampling**

MassDEP continues to receive and analyze lab data from residential sampling on McGilpin Road that took place last month. We expect to begin notifying residents of the sampling results beginning next week, with the remaining results expected to be mailed in the next two weeks. Additionally, we expect to have the full data set posted to our website by July 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Direct Well Sampling**

MassDEP continues to receive and analyze lab data from direct well sampling at selected homes on McGilpin Road last month. We expect to begin notifying residents of the sampling results beginning next week, with the remaining results expected to be mailed in the next two weeks. Additionally, we expect to have the full data set posted to our website by July 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Installation of Monitoring Wells**

No additional update. Last week, MassDEP continued to work with our contractor to prepare for the installation of monitoring wells at locations between the Southbridge Landfill and McGilpin Road, including on property owned by Southbridge Recycling and Disposal Park (SRDP). We remain on schedule to begin subsurface investigation in these areas in late July.

#### **Surface Water and Sediment Sampling**

DEP received surface water and sediment sampling results for several locations including wetlands in and around the Southbridge Landfill and McKinstry Brook. Staff were back in the field this week to verify sampling locations and we have begun receiving sampling results. We expect to make the results available on our website shortly.

#### **Review of other potential sources**

No additional update. MassDEP has identified other properties that may warrant additional investigation. Specifically, two parcels on McGilpin Road have been described as old junkyards or as having buried debris. To date, MassDEP has conducted surficial investigations, including a magnetometer survey and ground penetrating radar survey at one property. MassDEP will continue to evaluate if further investigation of these parcels is needed, as additional information is collected and reviewed.