

# Sound Wall Installation Update

Maplewood Substation  
Malden, MA

September 2025

Dear Neighbors,

I am writing to you as an update about the Maplewood Substation Project within Malden, MA off Broadway (Route 99). The sound wall is 12-feet in height and meets the requirements of the City of Malden as they pertain to their visual appearance, length, and height. The construction steps for the sound wall work and the drainage trench will be as follows (Green Highlight is Complete. Yellow Highlight is In-Progress):

- **Step One**: Clear any debris within our property boundary that will interfere with the fence posts and slats being placed, including but not limited to fencing, brick pavers, etc.
- **Step Two began mid-July**: Drilling of approximately 40 holes along the perimeter of the property for the sound wall post foundations. The post foundations will be 12-feet deep. You can expect an uptick in construction volume while crews are digging these foundations.
- **Step Three began August**: Post foundations will be poured, and sound wall posts will be set into place.
- **Step Four**: Sound wall slats will be set in place and the work on the sound wall will be complete.
- **Step Five**: Work will begin on the construction of the new drainage trench and swale. This work will continue until the trench and swale are complete.
- **Step Six**: The substation security fence will be built within the newly built sound wall.

**This work is expected to be continuous until the end of October.** As a reminder, the temporary fencing along the substation will be moved periodically depending on the work being performed and is in place for security and safety to prevent any breeches into the substation.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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