



## Freemason Area Construction Fact Sheet

1. What type of work is being performed?  
*Replacement of old water and sewer pipes which will improve the reliability of the area's water and sewer services for years to come. In addition, this work will provide added capacity for continued growth in the Freemason Area.*
2. Are businesses open?  
*Yes! The area businesses are open and eager for your patronage!*
3. What are Verizon, Dominion Virginia Power, Cox, and other Utility companies doing out here?  
*They are either replacing their aging infrastructure, or making services available for new customers or relocating their facilities for the Light Rail project.*
4. Will the bus still be able to pick me up at the Jefferson hotel?  
*Yes!*
5. Is the parking lot for Gilbert Eye Care and Serendip still open?  
*Yes. The Baylor lot behind Gilbert Eye Care can be accessed at the intersection of Duke Street and Bute Street from Bute Street via Boush Street or from Duke Street via Freemason Street.*
6. Are we allowed to drive through the construction site to get where we want to go.  
*No. It is important for public safety to keep the construction zone off limits. Keeping the construction zone secure also helps speed the completion of the project.*
7. When will construction be finished?  
*There are several exciting construction projects in the Freemason Area including utility work, a new parking garage, a hotel, the Light Rail system, as well as condominiums. The water and sewer work is anticipated to be complete by Summer of 2009. The Light Rail project is expected to be operational in 2010.*
8. Where do we park?  
*The York Street public parking garage on Bute Street between Boush Street and Duke Street is open to all. This garage can be accessed from either end of the block.*