

# COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

## DEP Maintenance Dredging in Newtown Creek Week of 5/12/2014

### WHAT WE ARE DOING

Residents can expect to see a floating dredge platform and scow at work along Newtown Creek at the foot of Manhattan Avenue. The dredging operation is complete and the work now is to apply a 6-inch layer of clean sand over locations that have been dredged.

### WHY WE ARE DREDGING

DEP is moving the sludge loading operations from the East River in Greenpoint to a new dock on Whale Creek. In order for the sludge boats to navigate to Whale Creek, maintenance dredging is needed to remove shallow spots that have formed since the last maintenance dredging in 1974.

### WORK SCHEDULE

Pending approvals from the Engineer, work is expected to go on only one day this week for less than a 12-hour day.

### WHAT PRECAUTIONS WE ARE TAKING

Dredging can disturb the sediments to some degree and cause the water to become cloudy in a limited area. DEP will be monitoring the water quality and taking precautions to minimize any impacts.

To report odor or noise complaints related to dredging please call 311.



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