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**Digging and the laying of utility lines in the Shockoe Hill African Burying Ground**

26 messages

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Dear Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Barile, et al;

I am writing to ask you about the ground disturbing activity that has been, and is being conducted around 7th and Hospital St. in the Shockoe Hill African Burying Ground. Handhole boxes have been installed, that are probably 4 feet deep. Under ground utility cables have been installed on the eastern side of 7th St, south of Hospital St. To say that I am concerned would be an understatement. Would you please explain what is happening here?

Yours truly,

Lenora McQueen

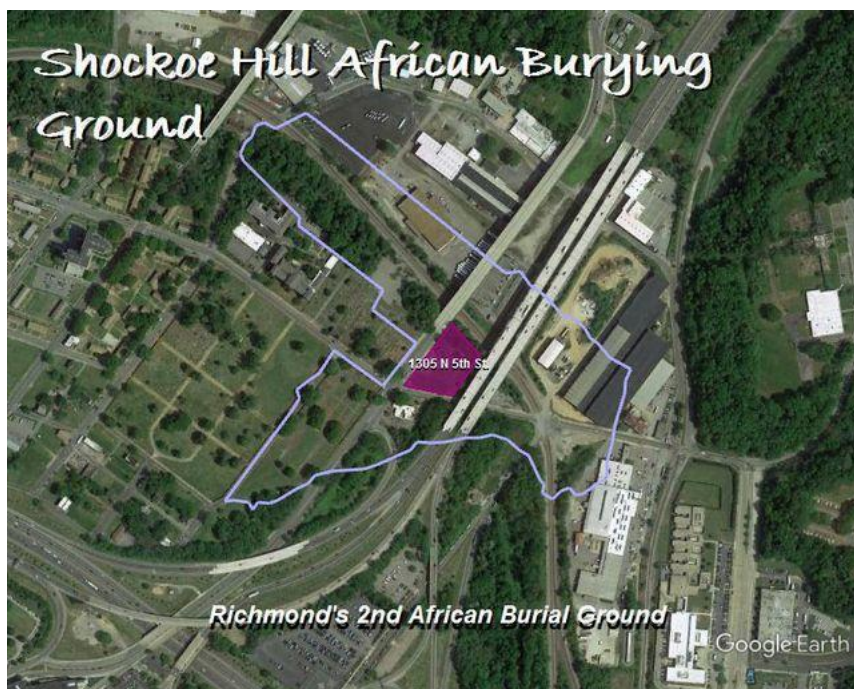




New handhole boxes (below) probably go down 4 feet. The area has been covered with straw.







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Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 7:01 AM

All,

I will see what I can do today to look into this...I suspect it is CSX utility work on CSX ROW, but would like to confirm before anybody responds.

Thanks,

Randy

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Good morning,

Thanks! Agree. Definitely utility. Let me know if there is anything i can do to help!

Kerri

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Yes please Kate! I was going to check in with him, but if you could that would be great. I'm sure y'all are working directly with folks in CSX that could quickly confirm. Thanks!

Randy

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Thank you.

Lenora

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Kim - thank you! Would you mind forwarding me the information that you shared with Ms. McQueen? I'd like to be able to reference it in our response to her. I appreciate the follow up.

best regards,  
Jennifer

On Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 11:26 AM Chen, Kimberly M. - DED <Kimberly.Chen@rva.gov> wrote:

Jennifer,

This is a fiber optic project that is not tied to DRPT in any manner, see below response from City DPW:

Carmen has found that the work being is ongoing and is SEGRA. They have installed access handholes in the sidewalk on both sides of the street to access the conduits that were previous installed. They are currently pulling fiber thru them. There are two handholes on one side and one on the other on the East/North side of the CSX tracks and one handhole on the south/w side along 7<sup>th</sup> St.

ALSO, on the other side of the tracks there is a drop inlet with a piece of plywood on it with barrels or cones on top that may look like active work, but is just a hazardous piece of City infrastructure.

They do have a permit – 091413. This permit is for the installation of handholes and the pulling of cable/fiber.

NOTE that these handholes are being placed above conduit that was previously installed (probably by boring as they needed to pass under tracks).

I have shared this information with Ms. McQueen.

Kim

Kimberly M. Chen, Senior Manager

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Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 11:56 AM

Thank you so much for getting this data for us! I will save it as part of the files as well. It will be great to be able to pass this on to all those who were on the email from Ms. McQueen as there are numerous parties who are vested in this area and are regularly in contact about Shockoe Hill resources. :)

Thanks again!

Kerri

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Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 11:57 AM

Thanks for this information Jennifer- I believe this is the only piece of the puzzle remaining...we'll have a draft response to you this afternoon.

Randy

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On Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 11:53 AM Mitchell, Jennifer <j.mitchell@drpt.virginia.gov> wrote:

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Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 4:06 PM

Ms. McQueen:

Thank you for alerting us to the brush clearing/ground disturbance due to work being performed near the intersection of Hospital and 7th streets in Richmond. The disturbance is related to fiber-optic utility work being performed by SEGRA under a permit issued by the City of Richmond, as confirmed in an email to you from Kim Chen on March 8. The work is not being performed by DRPT/VPRA, any contractor working for DRPT/VPRA, or FRA. It is not part of the DC2RVA project

Multiple utility companies have easements in and around the cultural resources in the Shockoe Hill area—these areas include the CSX rail right-of-way. DRPT has reached out to CSX to

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make sure they are aware of the sensitivity of this location. We have also been in communication with VDOT and the City on this matter since you brought it to our attention. Please understand that DRPT does not have the ability to regulate the work/access of any utility company that has an easement and the required permits to perform the work.

Again, we appreciate your concern for the site and will work with you and the other Consulting Parties through the upcoming Section 106 consultation process to recognize the historic and cultural significance of this area.

Best regards,  
Jennifer Mitchell

On Mon, Mar 7, 2022 at 9:07 PM LENORA MCQUEEN <lenora.m@prodigy.net> wrote:

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Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 4:08 PM

Would it be possible for this to somehow get to all consulting parties and/or folks on her original email? There are now lingering questions with many who have a vested interest in this area, and that does leave me a bit...concerned? leery? mindful? that they didn't get the clarification that this wasn't DRPT. Hmmmm.....

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Date: Tue, Mar 8, 2022 at 4:06 PM

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I will ask.

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Thanks so much for sending this Jennifer- any issues with us forwarding to the other parties on her original email so everyone knows the work in question is not DC2RVA related?

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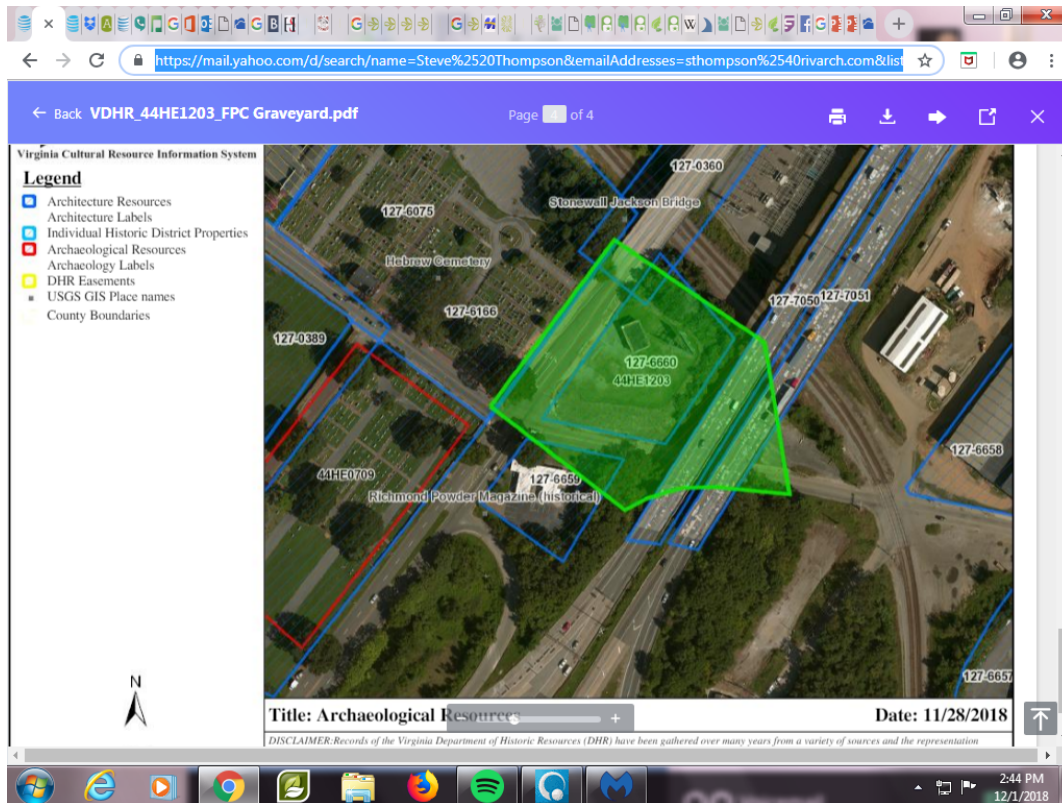
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Dear Ms. Mitchell;

thank you for your response. If DRPT does not have the ability to regulate the work/access of any utility company that has an easement and the required permits to perform the work, I am asking who does? It was likely this incorrect map which came out of the research for the high-speed rail project, that would have allowed for such permits to be issued. This map makes it look like the work area is outside of the burial ground. Nothing could be farther from the truth. If your agency is unable to stop this desecration, can you tell me who can?



On Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 10:21:21 AM CST, Mitchell, Jennifer <j.mitchell@drpt.virginia.gov> wrote:

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It looks like Lenora copied everyone on the original email in her response to Jennifer...

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Good evening Ms. McQueen- I am providing Director Mitchell's full response below to your March 7th email for the benefit of those copied as I only saw her interim response in the reply you just sent:

*Ms. McQueen:*

*Thank you for alerting us to the brush clearing/ground disturbance due to work being performed near the intersection of Hospital and 7th streets in Richmond. The disturbance is related to fiber-optic utility work being performed by SEGRA under a permit issued by the City of Richmond, as confirmed in an email to you from Kim Chen on March 8. The work is not being performed by DRPT/VPRA, any contractor working for DRPT/VPRA, or FRA. It is not part of the DC2RVA project*

*Multiple utility companies have easements in and around the cultural resources in the Shockoe Hill area—these areas include the CSX rail right-of-way. DRPT has reached out to CSX to make sure they are aware of the sensitivity of this location. We have also been in communication with VDOT and the City on this matter since you brought it to our attention. Please understand that DRPT does not have the ability to regulate the work/access of any utility company that has an easement and the required permits to perform the work.*

*Again, we appreciate your concern for the site and will work with you and the other Consulting Parties through the upcoming Section 106 consultation process to recognize the historic and cultural significance of this area.*

*Best regards,  
Jennifer Mitchell*

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