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Construction Activity Suspended in City of Boston

Effective tomorrow, Tuesday, March 17, 2020, the City is suspending all regular activity at construction sites in Boston. Employers should maintain the necessary crews to keep their sites safe and secure, keep any materials from blowing away, and prevent trespassing. This work needs to be completed in the next week, by Monday, March 23, 2020. After sites have been secured, skeleton crews will be permitted for the remainder of this suspension to ensure safety. **The only work that will be permitted moving forward will be emergency work, which will need to be approved by the City of Boston's Inspectional Services Department.**

That essential work includes:

- **Emergency utility, road or building work, such as gas leaks, water leaks and sinkholes**
- **New utility connections to occupied buildings**
- **Mandated building or utility work at public health facilities, healthcare facilities, shelters, including temporary shelters and other facilities that support vulnerable populations**
- **Work which ensures the reliability of the transportation network, and**
- **Other work necessary to render occupied residential buildings fully habitable.**

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