December 10, 2013

Dear GW Residents:

We're writing to update you of expanded efforts at construction noise mitigation during the final exam period (Dec. 11-19) – specifically delaying the start time of exceptionally noisy work from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. and to announce that no work at major projects will be scheduled on Saturday, Dec. 14.

Remember, construction activities can occur from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. during finals, but the work may not include activities that are defined as "exceptionally noisy," such as: surface scraping and asphalt/concrete demolition; filling of dump trucks/dumpsters with large rubble or scrap metal (soil is permitted); jack hammering; driving piles; repeated/continuous honking/idling in vicinity of campus buildings and loud/boisterous outdoor conversations within immediate proximity/adjacent to campus buildings.

We have several tools to help you mitigate possible construction noise, including free earplugs and white noise machines that can be loaned for the school year. There are also several free white noise machine options that you can run on your <u>computers or smart phones</u>. If you'd like earplugs or a white noise machine, or if you have other questions regarding construction activities, please e-mail <u>talktogw@gwu.edu</u>, <u>campaign@gwu.edu</u>, or tweet @GWDSAHelps. You can also visit neighborhood.gwu.edu for more information on any of these projects.

We wish you success on your finals and all the best for the holiday season.

Sincerely,

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