



Office of Planning, Design and Construction

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY NOTICE

Heating Plant Boiler/Generator Project

May 22, 2017

Impact Area: All campus buildings connected to the existing electric distribution system

This correspondence provides an update for the Boiler/Generator project at the Heating Plant.

Work Activities: Campus wide power outages

Impact to Adjacencies:

Per the email circulated by Fred Puddester on December 7, 2017:

I am writing to inform you that college offices will have a delayed start, with offices opening at 10 a.m. on December 20.

This summer, the college installed two large generators to provide campus with power if utility service is lost for an extended period of time. We now have to test the new generators to ensure that they will function as expected in a real blackout. Doing so requires that we turn off campus power to simulate an outage and then test the equipment. This has to be done before winter shutdown.

We have scheduled the outage for 4 a.m.–9 a.m. on Wednesday, December 20, after classes are over and when most students have left campus for the holidays. We recognize that it will still be an inconvenience to staff and faculty, and appreciate everyone's patience. Instead of asking everyone to work through the disruption, we decided to delay opening.

The time not worked on the 20th will be paid as it was last summer. Please talk to your manager about how to report this.

During the test, we will simulate a campus-wide loss of utility power, start the generators, and assess whether each campus building's systems operate as expected. Power may come on intermittently while the generators run, but between 4 a.m. and 9 a.m. there will be no reliable phone service, Internet access, heat, ventilation, hot water, or lights (including in bathrooms). Emergency systems will be in very limited operation. Athletics facilities including the Lasell Fitness Center will also open late.

Off-campus access to email, the Google Suite, PeopleSoft, Glow, and other systems will be available as normal. Please contact OIT with any questions: <http://oit.williams.edu/>.

Some essential staff will need to report to work early on that day, so please check with your department head about specific assignments.

Again, this shutdown is the final step needed to ensure that our generators will work when we really need them. While we made every effort to schedule the outage in a way that minimizes disruption of critical functions, we thank you for your patience with the inevitable inconvenience.

The buildings that **will not** be impacted:

- Tyler & Tyler Annex
 - Children Center
 - Parking Garage
 - Poker Flats
 - Cole Field House
 - Facilities Storage Barn
 - Chaffee Tennis
 - CDE
 - Garfield
 - Agard
 - Fort Hoosac
 - Health Center
 - Miham House
 - Lambert House
 - Doughty House
 - B&L
 - Bookstore
 - Susie Hopkins
 - Oakley Center
 - Jenness House
 - Hardy House
 - Rice House
 - Commercial Properties along Spring Street (excluding The Log) Commercial properties located off Spring Street will not be impacted.
 - Faculty Rentals
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- Brinsmade House
 - Johnson House
 - ABC House
 - Library Shelving Facility
 - College Garage Art Studio (Grundies)
 - Water Street Books
 - Weston Field House
 - Weston Grandstand
 - Weston Field
 - Williamson Field
 - Class of 1937 House
 - Sears Bungalow
 - Burnett House
 - Chandler House
 - Elm Tree House
 - American Legion
 - Rosenberg Center (Hopkins Forest)
 - Mason House

- Morey House
- Stocking House

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