Town of North Castle

Supervisor Michael J. Schiliro

E-News Update

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

Here is our real time update: Our outages reduced from 3237 to 2886. So 351 restored, 296 came between noon and 5pm.

Also, as expected, Con Ed has ALREADY MOVED their target restoration time for most of Town from 11pm Sunday to 11pm Monday, as we expected they might. On our daily Con Ed call today, I specifically asked Con Ed to just communicate the truth to us, so you can all plan accordingly.

I know your response may be "so what is the Town doing about all of this?" The answer is everything we possibly can as below:

- · Providing real-time updates of our status to Con Ed so they can deploy staff properly.
- Escorting their crews to not just priority areas, but insuring efficient movement, meaning we know the Town better than they do and especially if we're working with an out-of-state crew, so as example if we have priority #1, #3, and #5 clustered in the same area of Town, we'll keep them there before traveling across Town to #2, and then all the way back to #3.
- · We professionally stay on top of our Con Ed liaison and our Con Ed muni reps; we know sugar works better than vinegar so we work hard to strike the right balance.
- · Our workers are literally working around the clock in conjunction with the Con Ed crews. Our Police, Highway, Parks, Water and Sewer, and Volunteer Fire Departments are so committed to all of us and deserve a big "thank you". See below for what Parks & Rec and Water/Sewer set up for us regarding water.

STATUS ON ROAD OPENINGS: The number one priority of the Town remains to clear roads to allow for emergency vehicle access ("Cut and Clear").

Today North Castle has 2 Con-Edison "Cut and Clear" crews in and we will have a 3rd crew later in the day to work the overnight. We also have one Restoration Crew. We will start to see more restorations hour by hour.

NOTE: The Town cannot independently clear a tree that involves wires – the wires must be removed by Con-Edison personnel. Also, you will see tree debris on the roadsides. Our highway department will get to this over time, so it will not disappear quickly.

As of 10 AM Friday, August 7th:

Total Roads impacted: 73

Total Roads that are now passable in North Castle: 33 Roads that are Closed in North Castle with wires down: 40

IMPORTANT REQUEST REGARDING CON ED COMMUNICATIONS IN THE FIELD – NEED YOUR HELP: If

Con Ed field staff communicates to you that they are waiting for the Town for repairs or to call us to report an outage, you are being misinformed. If you can, please send me whatever info you can on whoever told you that, a picture of their license plate, etc.

TEMPORARY OUTAGES: Just a reminder, that it's common during restoration that if you have power, you may temporary lose power; it's called a "deliberate shutdown" or being "Deenergized". In the process of restoring certain properties, sometimes they must cut power to a broader area in order to complete, and then restore everyone in that area. If this happens to you, you can call Con Ed and they may be able to confirm, but odds are your power loss is short term.

STATE OF EMERGENCY: Yesterday I declared and signed a State of Emergency for the Town. This simply helps us secure federal aid if available, and communicates to higher levels of government the severity of our damage.

CHARGING STATION / WATER:

Armonk: We have a 24/7 charging station outside of the Hergenhan Rec Center on Maple Ave and on the Whippoorwill Road East side of the Library. There are a finite number of outlets, bring your own cords and plugs, wear masks, bring disinfectant, etc. Also, we connected a hose in the rear of the building for those with well water who need water to flush, etc. Fortunately, this is a popular item for residents.

North White Plains Community Center: We also have a 24/7 charging station outside of the Center on the beautiful outdoor deck. There are a finite number of outlets, bring your own cords and plugs, wear masks, bring disinfectant, etc. We have also set up a hose as well if needed.

Community Park Drive: The Town has provided a filling station for potable drinking water in Community Park (aka IBM Park) situated on the left side of the access road entrance.

DRY ICE: Con-Edison has information vans located at the following locations. Dry Ice distribution will begin today, Friday, August 7th, between 12:30 PM and 9 PM. Beware that they sometimes run out of supplies so you may need to wait for replenishments.

Yorktown Heights– Food Emporium, 345 Downing Drive New Rochelle City Hall – 515 Hamilton Avenue

REPORTING POWER OUTAGES:

Call Con Edison directly: (800) 752-6633 or visit their website at <u>www.coned.com</u>. Every residence should report their own outage directly to Con Edison in order for them to create a ticket.

You can also sign up for Con Edison Text Alerts by **Clicking Here**. And while on their website, you can find a "map of outages" and customize right down to North Castle.

EMERGENCIES and HAZARDS:

In case of Emergency call the North Castle Police Department (NCPD): 273-9500.

Please register for NIXLE to receive Police and Highway Alerts www.nixle.com.

If you use life-support Equipment – register with Con-Edison by filling out the life support equipment form on the **Con-Edison** website.

Dangerous conditions still exist like weak limbs, etc. Please be careful!!

CAUTION: Do not drive around Police barriers or yellow Caution Tape once a road is closed. The NCPD closes a road because a hazard exists, and NEVER ATTEMPT TO TOUCH WIRES.

SOCIAL MEDIA FOR TOWN INFO: As always, follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

COVID: MASK-UP!!!!!!!! KEEP THE PEDAL TO THE METAL!

Stay safe!

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