


WORKING TOGETHER

It is impossible to mitigate all dust and noise associated with construction sites. However, it is possible to mitigate the impacts of these disruptions.



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Noise & Dust Control

Being a good
neighbor during
construction

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A Collaborative Approach

The Town of Falmouth is seeking to work collaboratively with developers, contractors, and residents to minimize the impacts of construction that are not currently addressed with specific Town ordinances. These types of impacts are primarily related to noise and dust.

What can contractors do to help?

DUST CONTROL

Dusty conditions occur when a disturbed site or road surface has dried out and dust from wind erosion becomes an environmental or public concern.

Stabilize all laydown areas and all unpaved surfaces with a base gravel or coarse gravel as soon as possible. Use traffic control to restrict speed and route.

Water the exposed soil surface periodically with adequate water to control dust. The distribution of water should not cause turbid runoff.

Sweep and Vacuum paved road surface when dry. Sweep from the centerline to the edge of the travel way. Do not sweep into a waterbody or wetland. The public roadway may also require sweeping.

Calcium Chloride applications are more cost-effective on larger sites (30% calcium chloride is recommended for most gravel surfaces or follow the supplier's guidance).

Reduce Speed of construction traffic driving through the site.

NOISE CONTROL

Limit working hours to 7am to 7pm Monday – Saturday (no Sunday or Holiday Work).

Take appropriate measures to limit intense loud noise, such as “tailgate banging.”

