

VILLAGE OF RHINEBECK

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To all concerned,

The Village of Rhinebeck requests a meeting with a representative of AMTRAK to discuss issues arising from the proposed impasse fence and gates installed at or near the Village's Water treatment plant located on Slate Dock Road, Rhinebeck, NY., as appearing in Public Notice F-2018-0060.

The public notice identifies two gates to be installed near the water treatment plant at the north and south crossings. The images for MP90.1 -CP 809 included in the public notice are insufficient for the Village to determine if there will be any restriction of access to the municipal water treatment plant. For issues of health, safety, and security, the Village requires 24-hour access to the plant and that requirement cannot be restricted.

The Village Board is also concerned that impeded public waterfront access will create a parking issue on Slate Dock road, further restricting the Village's access to the plant. Many residents currently use these access points for fishing, walking, exercise and enjoyment of the scenic view offered by the Hudson River. With restricted waterfront access they will be forced to park on Slate Dock Road which is not designed to accommodate parking and through traffic. This impasse will make it impossible for the Village to maintain 24 hour access to the Water treatment plant effecting 5,400 customers.

The Village Board has additional concerns about general public safety. We desire to know how access to the Hudson River's waterfront for response to emergencies will be granted.

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