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Top of the Water Tank Put in Place

Harrisonburg, Va. – The city of Harrisonburg’s Public Utilities Department has reached a significant milestone with the construction of the Park View water tank project.

With the two main portions of the tank constructed, crews are preparing to move the top of the tank in place. The pedestal, or concrete base, was constructed first and completed several weeks ago. Next, the top of the tank that will hold approximately 500,000 gallons of water was constructed around the bottom of the pedestal before it will be moved into its final location, at the top of the tank.

On Wednesday, April 5 at 1:30 p.m. the top of the tank will be lifted by a hydraulic jack and a crane and set on top of the pedestal. This process should take approximately 30 minutes.

After the top of the tank is secured into place, the construction of the pipe network, instrumentation, and stairway will follow in the months to come.

Although this project has been in discussion for many years, actual construction on the tank started in October 2016 and has been a unique partnership between the city, Eastern Mennonite University, and neighbors in the community.

It is expected that this entire project will be complete in October 2017.

If there is rain on Wednesday, the top of the tank will be lifted on Thursday, April 6 at 8:00 a.m.

Additional information about this project is always available at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/park-view-water-tank.

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Pictured above: A view of the water tank before it receives a final coat of paint and before the top of the tank is lifted into place.

The Harrisonburg Public Utilities Department is responsible for providing water and sewer services to residences and businesses. The Department currently manages approximately 16,000 accounts. For more information about these functions of the city, visit www.harrisonburgva.gov/public-utilities.

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