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Dear Neighbour,

FCBC, the contractor working on the Forth Replacement Crossing principal contract on behalf of Transport Scotland, will be commencing site clearance works on the north side of the project, from St Margaret's Lodge to Whinny Hill, and creating a work platform on the line of the new B981 to the south and west of Dunfermline Waste Water Treatment Works, all commencing Monday 22nd August 2011.

Activity Description for Site Clearance and Work Platform

Cutting down existing vegetation on the line of the new road, mulching and removal of logs, stripping topsoil and creating site accesses and exits and placing of excavated materials in embankment to create the working platform.

Timing and Hours of Work

The works will be carried out, in compliance with the Code of Construction Practice, between the 22nd August 2011 and 4th November 2011.

Hours of work shall be 08:00hrs to 19:00hrs Mon – Fri inclusive and Saturday 08:00hrs – 18:00hrs. On weekdays only personnel shall be permitted to arrive on site from 07:30hrs. Generally no plant shall be permitted to start up before 0800hrs and the site shall be cleared of personnel by the end of the shift.

Should unforseen circumstances or adverse weather affect our programme, the operation commencement and finish dates may be subject to change.

Plant to be deployed

The work shall be carried out using hand tools, pick-up truck, chain saw, mulcher, tractor/trailer, excavators lorries, mulcher, roller, bulldozer.

Noise Mitigation

We will shut off plant while not in use. We will use modern, silenced plant. We will provide noise barriers, where required, to achieve performance within permitted noise levels.

Nearest occupied residence and anticipated maximum noise level at that location

North Queensferry Hotel (120 metres) - 65dB, which is our maximum permitted noise level, under the contract.

The site clearance and platform work is an essential part of the overall Forth Replacement Crossing project, which is necessary due to concerns over the long term viability of the existing road bridge. The new crossing will maintain a vital link in the east of Scotland road network which is key to the wider Scottish economy.

We would like to take this opportunity to apologise, in advance, for any inconvenience our activities may cause and also to thank you for your patience and consideration to date.

For up to date information on the project please see Transport Scotland's FRC project website www.forthreplacementcrossing.info.

Should you have any queries, please contact our Hotline on 0800 078 6910 or email freenquiries@transportscotland.gsi.gov.uk.

In addition, our temporary Contact and Education Centre, currently located in the Forth Estuary Transport Authority offices on the south side of the existing Forth Road Bridge is manned 09:00hrs to 17:30hrs, Monday to Friday, and will be open on Saturdays 10:00hrs to 16:00hrs commencing Saturday 3rd September 2011 to help with queries and to supply information.

Issued to – properties within 100m of the work location, Community Councils and FRC website.

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