

To: ANC5C, SMD5C02 Commissioner Lauren Rogers
From: The Department of General Services (DGS)
Date: June 26, 2023
Subject: FEMS Ready Reserve Central and FEMS Facilities and Decon: Environmental Safety Testing Result Notification

Commissioner Rogers:

The Department of General Services (DGS) takes our commitment to maintaining the health and safety of our residents seriously. One of our responsibilities is executing the Public Facilities Environmental Safety Amendment Act of 2020, which requires DGS to conduct proactive, routine testing of public buildings across 17 environmental parameters. We write to you today about test results and related remediation at buildings in your Single Member District.

During routine testing at the FEMS Ready Reserve - Central building at 2219 Adams Pl. NE and the FEMS Facilities and Decon building at 2215 Adams Pl. NE, we found three environmental risks, as defined by the legislation.

The first finding was of rodent burrows along the outside of the buildings. DGS plans to treat and close the burrows and the associated work order number for that work is 746972. It is expected to be complete on July 7.

The final two findings were both in the main garage and require an additional assessment, followed by the development of a project design before remediation can occur. The first of these two findings was of asbestos-containing material around interior window caulking and the estimated completion date for the remediation is July 13. The second finding was of formaldehyde particulate matter and the estimated completion date for the remediation is July 12. If you would like to track the progress of that work, the work order numbers are 746970 and 746974, respectively.

What are the next steps? In accordance with the Public Facilities Environmental Safety Amendment Act of 2020, details and test results will be available on the DGS website. DGS will also hold a public meeting on July 12 at 6:30pm to share details. You can join the meeting by using this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/DGSEnvironmentalTesting2>. Feel free to share this link with community members as needed.

We appreciate your time and understanding of the work that we are doing to maintain the health and safety of those who work at the FEMS Ready Reserve - Central building and the FEMS Facilities and Decon building. If you have questions, please contact Mike McLaughlin, DGS External Affairs at environmental.dgs@dc.gov.