



# Lincolnshire NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2013

## 2013 Budget Approved!

*Village Board Adopts Aggressive Work Plan for Coming Year*

The Mayor and Village Board approved the 2013 Lincolnshire Annual Budget totaling \$23,502,000. On December 10, 2012, the proposed budget was submitted for public comment and Village Board consideration beginning on October 12, 2012. The Village Board conducted two workshops, open to the public, to review the proposed budget in late October and early November. Public comments on the proposed budget were also received at the November 12, 2012 Village Board Committee of the Whole meeting. A complete copy of the approved budget can be found in the Finance Department section on the Village's website.

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### Highlights of the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget:

- Total Budget: \$23,502,000. The budget is balanced and reflects a significant increase in expenditures compared to the previous years in order to address Village capital needs.
- Increase in expenditures is attributed to capital projects totalling more than \$3,927,500 for the coming year. Budget reflects an increase in capital expenditures of more than \$1.1 million compared to last year. The Fiscal Year 2013 budget lays out an aggressive plan to address capital (road, water and sewer system, and equipment) expenditures deferred in recent years.
- The approved budget provides for a more than 6% decrease in the Village property tax levy for the coming year. Residents are reminded, the Village levies property taxes **only** to fund the required contribution for employee pensions. The Village does not levy taxes to pay for expenses related to daily operations. The Village of Lincolnshire portion of the total property tax bill paid by residents is approximately 3% of the total bill. Out of each dollar in property taxes paid in Lincolnshire, approximately 3 cents goes to the Village. The remaining 97 cents, for each dollar in property taxes paid, goes to other taxing districts such as local schools, fire protection district, township, county, etc.
- No change in total number of employees compared to the previous fiscal year.
- Water Rate increase of 2.30%, from \$4.33 to \$4.42 per 1,000 gallons of water used.
- Approved budget reflects no change in sewer rates.

# 2013 Budget Approved - Continued

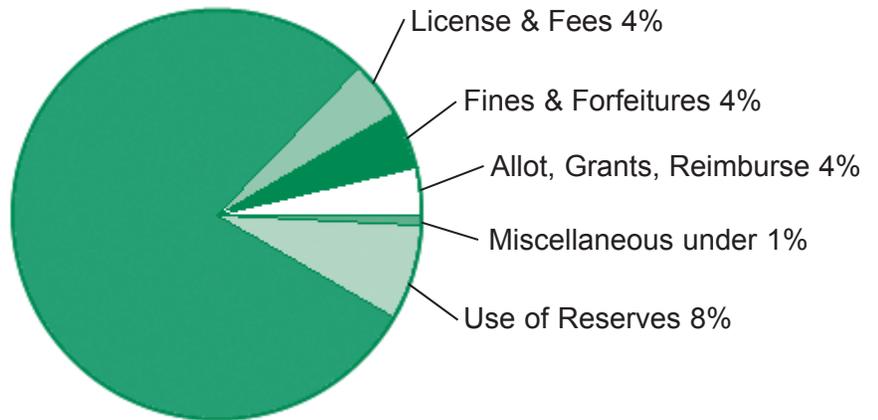
The following charts provide an overview of Village revenues and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2013.

## Village Board Sets 2013 Goals and Objectives

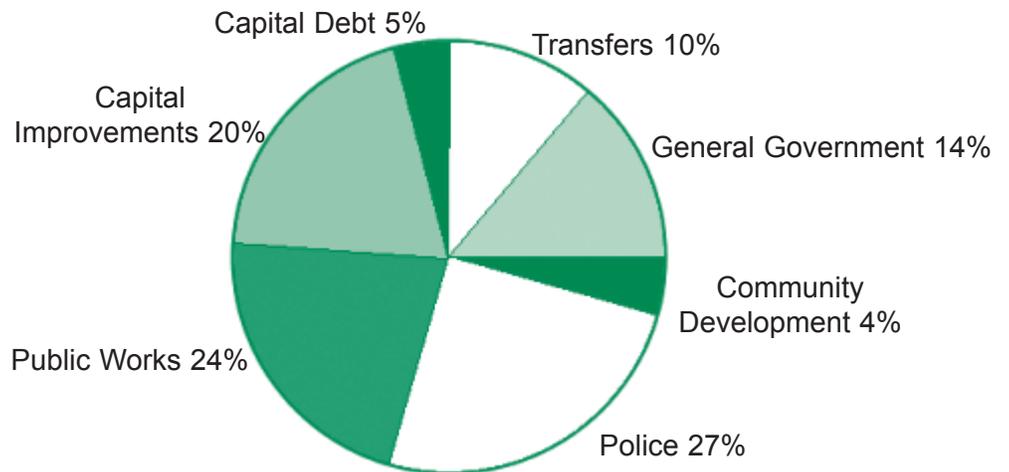
In addition to approving the financial plan/budget for the Village, annually the Lincolnshire Village Board identifies strategic goals and objectives for the organization to pursue for the coming year. Each September, as part of the annual budget development process, Village staff and elected officials meet to discuss goals and objectives for the coming year. The following is a summary of the aggressive list of strategic priorities identified by the Village Board for Fiscal Year 2013.

Taxes 80%  
(sales, room & admission tax, etc.)

### General Fund Revenues



### General Fund Expenditures & Transfers



## Short Term Goals

- **MUNICIPAL PARTNERING** – Continue to investigate opportunities to partner with other governmental entities for the procurement of goods and services and implement such programs where practical.
- **TECHNOLOGY STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**– Update the Village’s 2010 Technology Infrastructure Plan.
- **ORGANIZATION REVIEW/ASSESSMENT** - Complete review of departmental staffing and organization structure and provide report and recommendations to Village Board.
- **COMMUNICATION PLAN** - Develop a formal communication plan for consideration by Village Board
- **FINANCIAL TREND MONITORING SYSTEM** - Implement a financial condition assessment system to analyze financial condition of the Village relative to comparable communities.
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SITE VISITS** - Continue visiting the top businesses in the community, to gauge experience and level of satisfaction and determine if needs are being met.
- **COMMUNITY-WIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/MARKETING** - Focus on economic development efforts intended to seek out new potential investment and promote Lincolnshire.

## 2013 Budget Approved - Short Term Goals - Continued

- **BUILDING DIVISION TECHNOLOGY** - Investigate Building Division's use of technology to improve customer service. Analyze available Building Permitting software to replace the existing permit programs.
- **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAMS** - Promote citizen involvement in "Neighborhood Watch" programs in residential areas of the Village.
- **LESS LETHAL FORCE OPTIONS** - Expand and enhance less lethal force options available to sworn personnel.
- **SQUAD ROOM** - Explore redesign of Squad Room to accommodate storage of individual officer case files, addition of computer workstation, and upgrade of kitchenette area.
- **PARKS COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM** - Implement annual park work day project.
- **AUTOMATIC WATER METERING SYSTEMS** - Implement year one of a four year program to change out water meters throughout the Village to an automated system.
- **BIKE PATH LONG-RANGE PLAN** - Inspect all bike paths and develop a long-range maintenance and improvement plan.
- **TREE INVENTORY** - Update Village's tree inventory and long-range master plan for the maintenance, care, and planting of trees.
- **CAPITAL PROJECT** - Execute/implement all infrastructure improvement projects and capital equipment purchases as outlined in Fiscal Year 2013 Budget.

## NORTH PARK TURNS 10!

2013 marks the 10th anniversary of the opening of North Park. The Lincolnshire Sports Association (LSA) is planning an event to mark this milestone. Watch for future updates on the LSA and Village websites concerning this event.

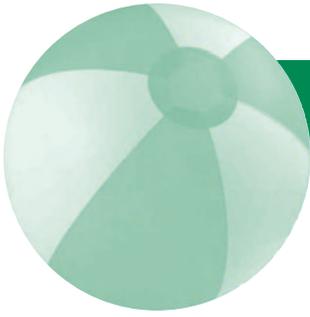
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### **Village of Lincolnshire MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY**

*Remembering the Fallen.....  
Honoring our Veterans*

*Monday, May 27, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Spring  
Lake Park*



# BACK TO BEACH SEASON!

**Pre Season:** (Weekends Only) : May 25, 2013 – June 9, 2013

**Regular Season:** June 10, 2013 – August 16, 2013

**Post Season:** (Weekends Only) August 17, 2013 – September 2, 2013

## BEACH FEES

### Season Pass Fees

Resident, Individual: \$20

Resident, Family (Max 5): \$50

Add. Passes - Resident, Family: \$10 ea.

Non-Resident, Individual: \$40

Non-Resident, Family (Max 5): \$100

Add. Passes - Non-Resident Family: \$20 ea.

### Daily Pass Fees

Resident: \$3/person

Non-Resident: \$6/person

Non-Resident: \$3/person (*If guest of Season Pass holder*)

*For more information and Beach Rules, please visit the Village's website at [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us)*

**IF THERE ARE NO  
LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY,  
SWIMMERS SWIM AT  
THEIR OWN RISK**

### Seasonal Help Wanted

Lincolnshire is looking to fill several positions for seasonal help this summer. Please give this article to your student in college or high school.

- Lifeguards, ages 16 and older, are needed for Spring Lake Beach.
- Seasonal Laborers are needed to do such things as landscape maintenance. This is a 40 hour work week that starts when the student finishes school and could run to mid/end of August..

Visit the Village website at [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us) for an employment application or stop by the Village Hall and pick one up.



# NEW WATER METER READINGS SYSTEM TO BE DEPLOYED

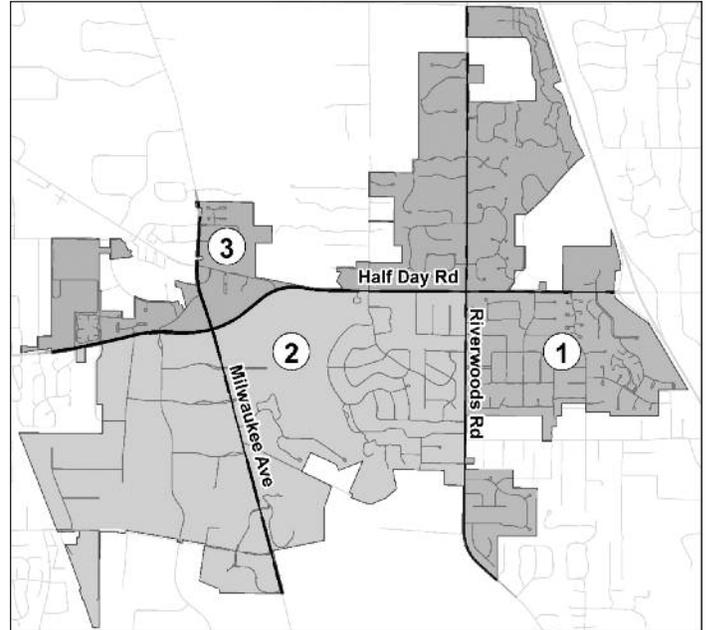
The Village of Lincolnshire has embarked upon a multi-year program to improve service by installing new water meter transmitting units (MTU). The MTUs will sit on top of the water meter and transmit wireless data to meter readers as they drive down Village streets. This technology allows the Village to reduce time spent each month reading meters and reduce the number of errors made when data is transcribed manually from paper books to the computer billing system.

The Village's water billing system is divided into three different geographic areas called districts. MTU installation work in 2013 will be in District One, which is the area of the Village located south of Route 22 and east of Riverwoods Road. The first MTUs will be installed in mid-March, with the remainder installed by the end of the year. District Two will follow in 2014, District Three will be in 2015, and the commercial district will be completed in 2016.

The Village will mail letters to notify customers when to schedule an appointment to have their meter replaced or serviced. The timing of a letter to your home or business, will depend on a number of issues including which water billing district your address is located. The installation process typically requires 30 - 60 minutes, and there is no cost to the customer for this meter change-out.

For more information on this project, please see our Frequently Asked Questions page at [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us) , keyword MTU.

Map of New Water Districts



## HELP US WELCOME TWO NEW BUSINESSES TO LINCOLNSHIRE!

### State Farm Insurance

([www.statefarm.com](http://www.statefarm.com)) - State Farm Insurance office is now open at 275 Parkway Drive, CityPark Retail Center. Please contact the local agent at 847.279.7500.

### 2 Hot Yoga

([www.2hotyogato.com](http://www.2hotyogato.com)) – Highland Park-based 2 Hot Yoga Studio recently opened a new facility at 300 Village Green Drive, Village Green Retail Center. Please visit their website or call 847.883.8622.



The Village is now on Twitter! Follow us @Lincolnshire\_IL for breaking community news. Like us on Facebook. Visit the Village's website at [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us) for more information

# SAVE YOUR ASH TREES!



## Emerald Ash Borer Removals/Treatments

Treatment, removal and replacement of Ash trees throughout the Village will continue to take place over five years. In 2013, selected trees will either be treated or removed, and in many instances, these trees will be replaced. If trees located in the parkway in front of your home will be removed or treated in 2013, you will receive a letter from the Village explaining what action will be taken with respect to those trees.

Volume pricing for treatment of ash trees in the Village is available. There is a very effective treatment available for ash trees, administered via injection and must be completed every two years. If you wish to get information on EAB treatment

costs at reduced Village rates, please contact Chris Fisher, Village Arborist at 847.913.2365

## 2ND ANNUAL Recycle-O-Rama



To celebrate Earth Day, Highway Commissioner Bryant Schroeder in cooperation with the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) have organized the 2nd Annual Recycle-O-Rama.

### WHEN:

Saturday, April 20, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### WHERE:

The Vernon Township / Highway Department Offices located at 3050 N Main St, Buffalo Grove.

### WHAT:

Electronics	Gym shoes
Corks (not plastic)	Batteries
Eye Glasses & Accessories	Hearing Aids
Cell Phones	Keys
Ink Cartridges	Crayons
Propane Tanks	Car Batteries
Latex Paint (small fee)	Aluminum Tabs
Propane Tanks	Gently Used Books
Fire Extinguishers	Confidential Document Shredding
Florescent Bulbs (up to 4ft)	Cd's , Dvd's, Media Disks

The Township will also be collecting non-perishable food for the Food Pantry. Donations begin to drop off at this time of year and with the increasing amount of people in need in our community any donation would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, Contact Commissioner Schroeder by e-mail at [bschroeder@vernontownship.com](mailto:bschroeder@vernontownship.com)



## WHO'S WATCHING YOUR HOME?

Unless it's an unusually busy day, a Lincolnshire Police Officer will probably drive past your home two or three times during their tour of duty. Even then, the odds of an officer passing your home and observing a burglar or thief are much lower than the odds of winning the lottery. Consequently, the Police Department counts on citizens to be the "eyes and ears" of the community. But how do citizens recognize potential criminal activity? What type of observations should be reported to police? How can residents better protect their homes and property?

In response to the above questions, the Lincolnshire Police Department is launching a Neighborhood Watch program. Neighborhood Watch is a collaborative effort between citizens and police to detect and prevent crime in the Village of Lincolnshire. The program trains citizens how to recognize suspicious behaviors and activities, and to properly report such incidents. The Neighborhood Watch program provides community members and police personnel the opportunity to act in partnership with one another and develop a bond of trust.

Residents interested in learning more about Neighborhood Watch are invited to attend an informational meeting in the Community Room at the Village Hall on March 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. If you would like more information regarding Neighborhood Watch, but are unable to attend the meeting, contact a Crime Prevention Officer at 847.883.9900.

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## BICYCLE REGISTRATION

With bicycle weather quickly approaching, the Lincolnshire Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit encourages residents to register their bikes with the Police Department. Bicycle registration is a free service provided for the benefit of all residents. Very few people take the time to record the serial number of a new bicycle at the time of purchase. Without a document containing a description of the bicycle and its serial number, it may be impossible to prove the bicycle belongs to you. Registering your bicycle(s) allows officers to return lost or stolen bikes to their rightful owner if they are recovered. The registration process involves completion of a simple form requesting basic owner and bicycle information. Registration forms and numbered decals to be affixed to the bike's seat post can be obtained at the Police Department. For additional information, contact Officer Matt Ulanowski at 847.883.9900.





### Join the Lincolnshire Community Association

*Bringing Our Community Together*

You are invited to be a part of the Lincolnshire Community Association (LCA) The LCA is a volunteer organization responsible for planning, coordinating and hosting community events like the Village's annual Fourth of July Celebration, Boo Bash, and annual Holiday Tree Lighting.

This past December, the Lincolnshire Community Association was responsible for the following community event: 300 kids and their parents celebrated the start of the holiday season on Sunday night, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the **Tree Lighting Celebration** at the Village Green. Chamber members Eddie Merlot's and Egg Harbor provided the treats, The Village supported all the logistics, The Fire Department made sure Santa arrived on time and songs of the season were beautifully performed by Brownie Troop 40478, the Show Choir from DW Jr. High School and the High School Caroling Choir. You also generously contributed to The Vernon Township Food Pantry & Toys for Tots.

The 1st JULY 4 KICK-OFF PLANNING MEETING will be on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. This meeting is open to anyone who wishes to be involved with planning **Lincolnshire's July 3 & 4 Celebration**. Planners are needed for Parade, Entertainment, Food & Beverage, 5K Race, Cardboard Boat Regatta, Public Relations and much more! Meeting will be held at Fire Station 53 in Vernon Hills, near Lifetime Fitness. Get involved with this fantastic event!

The LCA is going digital. Join us and keep up to date at [www.lincolnshirecommunity.org](http://www.lincolnshirecommunity.org). Contact Stephanie Hooper, Communications Director, [stephaniethooper@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniethooper@gmail.com)

## GOT DRUGS?

If the answer is yes, would you like to safely discard them? The Lincolnshire Police Department will be participating in the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's National Take Back Initiative scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The national take-back day provides an opportunity for village residents to safely dispose of expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications. During last September's take-back initiative, Lincolnshire residents disposed of 110 pounds of liquid and solid drugs. Drug collection will take place at the Lincolnshire Village Hall, One Olde Half Day Road. Controlled, non-controlled, and over-the-counter substances will be collected. All solid dosage pharmaceutical products and liquids in consumer containers will be accepted. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain Sealed in their original container. Please ensure the cap is tightly sealed to prevent leakage. Participants may dispose of solid medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box. You are not required to remove the Rx labels from the bottles. All material collected, including the Rx vials, will be incinerated. Used intra-venous (IV) solutions, injectibles, and syringes will not be accepted due to the potential hazard posed by blood borne pathogens.

## HYDRANT FLUSHING



The Village Water Department will be flushing fire hydrants in April. Flushing will be done intermittently from 10:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. each Sunday night through Friday morning between April 7, 2013 and April 25, 2013. Flushing fire hydrant serves several purposes: it cleans pipe lines, increases the amount of flow capacity and allows department personnel to inspect the operation of each hydrant.

Please refrain from washing laundry during these hours as clothing could become stained. Residents with water softeners should also check the cycle time of their softeners so the unit does not regenerate during this time period.

If you have any questions regarding this program, please call Wendy Moderhack in the Public Works Department at 847.913.2380, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR



## MARCH

- **March 21, LCA - 4th of July Kick-off Planning Meeting** - 7:30 p.m. at Fire Station 53 in Vernon Hills. For additional information contact Stephanie Hooper at [stephaniehooper@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniehooper@gmail.com).

## APRIL

- **April 6, Electronics Collection Event** - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Village of Lincolnshire Public Works Facility, 205 Schelter Road. For more information contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361.
- **April 20, Old Mill Park Resident Work Day** - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This will be a great chance for residents to interact with Public Works Staff. Some tasks involved are mulching, painting, staining and weed removal. For more information contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361.
- **April 26, Arbor Day Celebration** - The Village will be holding a tree planting demonstration at 10:00 a.m. at North Park. For more information contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361.
- **April 27, Spring Cleanup Day** - Please note that no white goods (refrigerators, air conditioners, etc.) or household chemical waste will be collected. Materials must be of a size one man can lift. For instance, carpet pieces shall be cut in 4 foot lengths and be rolled to a diameter of no wider than 2 feet. This is similarly true for lumber or other long materials. No landscape materials will be accepted. Materials must be at the curb NO LATER than 7:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. You may begin placing things at the curb at 7:00 p.m. on the Friday evening before. If you have questions about what Waste Management will take, call 800.796.9696.

## MAY

- **May 11, Chicago River Day** - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., volunteers will meet at North Park, located at 1025 Riverwoods Road, to work on path replacement and invasive weed control. For more information contact Chris Fisher, Village Arborist at 847.883.2365.
- **May 13, Annual Town Meeting** - This meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m. and is designed as an open forum for residents to ask questions or voice opinions.
- **May 18, Run for the Fields 5K Race** - This annual District 103 Run/Walk will begin at Daniel Wright Jr. High School at 8:00 a.m. For more information visit [www.runforthefields.com](http://www.runforthefields.com). Please be aware, Riverwoods Road will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. between Route 22 and Everett Road.
- **May 19, Rivershire Canoe Marathon** - This is the 56th Annual DesPlaines River Canoe and Kayak Marathon. You can travel all the way from Oak Springs Road in Libertyville to Dam #2 (Kensington Road) in Prospect Heights. Alternatively, you can exit the race at the approximate midpoint at Rivershire Park in Lincolnshire. For more information visit [www.canoemarathon.com](http://www.canoemarathon.com).

# STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL DRAWS US TO BEAUTIFUL THINGS

Stevenson High School Fine Arts Division draws you to the Village of Lincolnshire to view beautiful pieces of artwork students have created. Students artwork will be on display at the Village Hall, One Olde Half Day Road, for your viewing until the end of March.

The Fine Arts Division of Stevenson High School has a long tradition of excellence and has been recognized for its high standards and amazing accomplishments at a regional, state and national level. The division is regarded as one of the most exemplary high school arts programs in the country by some of the most prominent colleges, universities and professional organizations.



## WE WANT YOU! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Village of Lincolnshire is seeking residents interested in serving on the Park Board, Zoning Board, and Architecture Review Board. Applications are available at [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/applications-permits-and-policies](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/applications-permits-and-policies) under Executive Services.



Lincolnshire Community Nursery School, located at 30 Riverwoods Road has openings for the 2012 - 2013 school year and open registration for the 2013 - 2014 school year. For more information, contact Director Amy Morrissey at 847.945.1450 or visit [www.lcns.org](http://www.lcns.org)



## TORNADO WARNING SIRENS

Lincolnshire maintains a tornado warning siren system throughout the community. On the first Tuesday of every month, beginning at 10:00 a.m., the system is tested for one minute. In the event of an actual tornado sighting, sirens will be activated for three minutes straight. Upon hearing this signal, you should seek protective cover immediately. After the sirens have been activated, tune into local radio weather stations for additional information, as no "all clear" signal will be given.





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