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# **Wynn Boston Harbor Removes Last Load of Soil at Everett Site**

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EVERETT, MA — April 4, 2017 — After filling more than 8,800 truckloads and 4,300 railcars over seven months, Wynn Boston Harbor announced today that the last pile of excavated contaminated soil was removed from its construction site in Everett. The ‘bottoming out’ of the \$2.4 billion Wynn Boston Harbor project marks the completion of one of the largest and most complex urban construction excavations in recent New England history.

More than 630,000 tons of contaminated soil were safely and successfully transported to licensed landfills across the country to accommodate the below-grade levels of Wynn Boston Harbor and to make the 33-acre site suitable for a waterfront park and public use. The entire site remediation cost \$30 million and is funded 100% by Wynn Boston Harbor with no tax dollars or public funding used for the cleanup.

“There’s real gratification and pride in turning back the clock on this land and, in a matter of months, correcting more than 100 years of neglect and abuse,” said Robert DeSalvio, President of Wynn Boston Harbor. “For the first time in more than a century, we’ve shut down the 24-hour leaching of contaminants into the Mystic River and have made the soil on our site safe to use and enjoy. To successfully remove this much

contaminated dirt without any significant issues or problems was a massive and complex task that will yield benefits for generations to come.”

With the contaminated soil removed, the next phase of site remediation will be the dredging of soil around the shoreline and the creation of a living shoreline. Native plants will be placed in the living shoreline to help with the natural cleanup of the Mystic River and to help hasten the return of native fish and birds to the area.

### **ABOUT WYNN BOSTON HARBOR**

Wynn Boston Harbor is an approximate \$2.4 billion Forbes five-star global destination gaming resort that will feature 671 hotel rooms with sweeping views of the Boston skyline and Boston Harbor, ultra-premium spa, specialty retail, award-winning dining, and state-of-the-art ballroom and meeting spaces. The three-million square foot resort will generate more than 4,000 construction jobs and 10 million labor hours, more than 4,000 permanent jobs, \$265 million in traffic mitigation and approximately \$660 million in direct annual expenditures from Wynn (\$242 million in annual taxes and fees, \$170 million in payroll and \$249 million in goods and services to operate and maintain the resort). It is the largest private single-phase development in the history of the Commonwealth.

Situated on the waterfront along the Mystic River and connected to Boston Harbor, Wynn Boston Harbor will open up the Everett shoreline to the public for the first time in more than a century. Wynn is spending \$30 million to clean up the heavily contaminated site and create a six-acre park along the water that will feature pedestrian and bicycle paths that provide access to the harbor, an events lawn, picnic and public viewing areas, ornate floral displays and retail and dining experiences that overlook the Wynn Harbor Walk. Wynn privately funded the \$30 million site cleanup with no public funds being used.

Guests and employees of Wynn Boston Harbor can connect to points across the harbor via a robust water transportation system that Wynn is introducing. Low-profile, European style boats will be used to sail back and forth without the need to raise area drawbridges. The resort is expected to open in summer of 2019.

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