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Subject: 7/7/2023 Project Construction Update #9 for 2023 Cypress & Douglas Fir Drive Improvements - Baxter FW: Public Service Announcement - HIGHLAND SCENIC ROAD (CSAH 48) CLOSING FROM CHESTNUT DRIVE TO BERRYWOOD DRIVE
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Project Stakeholders,

Thank you again for your patience during the construction phase, now and looking forward.

See the Public Service Announcement (PSA) and the associated attached map that were issued by the City of Baxter this morning related to the upcoming planned closure of Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48) from approximately 100 feet east of Chestnut Drive to 500 feet east of Berrywood Drive starting at 7am on Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Project Contact Information

During construction, please initially attempt to contact either Alex Bitter – WiDSETH Construction Engineer at 218.316.3627, alex.bitter@widseth.com or Chris Satterlund – WiDSETH Construction Observer at 218.821.3940, chris.satterlund@widseth.com with any questions or concerns with the daily construction activity, access, etc. Alex B. and or Chris is on site during active construction and communicate directly with everyone on the construction team on a daily basis.

If you are unable to reach Alex B. or Chris in the field, please contact Scott Hedlund at 612.865.3509, shedlund@sehinc.com or Alex Voit at 218.821.0085, avoit@sehinc.com in the SEH office.

The 24-hour emergency contact for the construction prime Contractor is: Mitch Torborg, Project Manager, Kraemer Trucking & Excavating, Inc, 320.249.5621, mitch@kraemer-inc.com.

7/7/2023 Project Update

- Contractor (KTE and their subcontractors) construction activity the week of July 3rd has included underground pipework on Cypress Drive and behind the Highland Scenic Apartments south of Hinckley Road, and concrete curb and gutter & flat work activities and street lighting conduit & bases on existing Cypress Drive between Hinckley Road and College Road and on Douglas Fir Drive south from Hinckley Road. There was no work July 3rd & 4th.
- For the week of July 10th, underground pipe activities are planned to continue on Cypress Drive south of Hinckley Road and behind the Highland Scenic Apartments. On Cypress Drive north of Hinckley Road and on Douglas Fir Drive, final tolerancing of the aggregate base/reclaim material, irrigation system repairs, and backfilling behind curb activities are planned, along with paving the first 2 lifts of bituminous surfacing, subject to change.
- Other activities planned for the week of July 10th include trucks hauling in fill material at the south end of the new stretch of Cypress Drive off of CSAH 48, and underground (water hydrant relocation and storm sewer related) work along the proposed trail alignment from the Cypress Drive/ Hinckley Road intersection east and north to Berrywood Park. The City of Baxter will provide a 48-hour notice to all

properties that will be affected by the temporary water shut down to relocate the referenced fire hydrant.

- Phase 2 of construction, that includes a 50-day closure of Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48), in order to construct a roundabout at Cypress Drive, is planned to start on July 13th.
- Private utility company (electric, gas, communications) relocation work remains nearly complete. Work remaining includes a segment on the east side of Cypress Drive between Hinckley and Hastings Road, on the north side of the intersection of Cypress Drive and Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48), and on the south leg of the Cypress Drive/ Hinckley Road intersection.
- WiDSETH and SEH (the City's consulting engineering team for the project) continue to be regularly on site observing Contractor construction progress. There has been and will continue to be ongoing periodic survey crew activity by WiDSETH, installing wood lath with paint/ribbons. The private utility companies have been and will continue marking their buried facilities with flags and paint throughout the project. Please do not disturb the survey stakes and utility flags as they are necessary for assisting with construction activities and for safety.

7/7/2023 Traffic Control Update

- The Contractor is currently working on the planned Phase 1 of the 2 main construction phases. Phase 1 is planned to continue into July. **During Phase 1, Cypress Drive between Hinckley Road and College Road will remain closed to all traffic.** During Phase 1, the Hinckley Road/ Douglas Fir Drive intersection is only open to Lindar Corporation truck traffic and Pinehurst Apartments construction personnel traffic. Special guide signs will remain in place during Phase 1 to assist with maintaining access to businesses and residences.
 - Note that there will be short durations of time when the Hinckley Road/Douglas Fir Drive intersection will be temporarily impassible (such as during underground utility work, final grading, concrete pours, and paving activities). During these periods there will be a flagger stopping traffic temporarily until the way is clear again.
- Overlapping Phase 1 & 2, the Contractor will continue working on the future road corridors of Douglas Fir Drive south of Hinckley Road and Cypress Drive between Hinckley Road and Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48). These areas are off existing roads and will not directly affect traffic.
- **Phase 2 of construction, that includes a planned 50-day closure of Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48), in order to construct a roundabout at Cypress Drive, is planned to start on July 13th** per the road closure PSA below. There will also be a posted detour route for this work per the attached map.
- Overall project completion of construction is planned for October 2023.

Please convey this information to others in your organization, co-workers, customers, tenants, etc. Please

forward me any additional email addresses you'd like me to include on **future project updates** as they **will continue to be conveyed by email and project website postings only**.

Project Website → <https://www.sehinc.com/baxter2023cypress>

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

HIGHLAND SCENIC ROAD (CSAH 48) CLOSING FROM CHESTNUT DRIVE TO BERRYWOOD DRIVE

Beginning at 7:00 AM on Thursday, July 13th, Highland Scenic Road (CSAH 48) is planned to be closed to all traffic from approximately 100 feet east of Chestnut Drive to approximately 500 feet east of Berrywood Drive for street and underground utility work in connection with the construction of a roundabout at Cypress Drive. The roadway will be closed for 50 calendar days, and is anticipated to be open by September 1, 2023.

Signage will be in place notifying the public of the construction activities and provide detour routes. Please drive with caution in the work zone area.

Please contact SEH Consulting Engineer Scott Hedlund at 218.855.1705 or WiDSETH Construction Engineer Alex Bitter at 218.316.3627, if you have any questions or concerns. The 24-hour emergency contact for the construction prime contractor is: Mitch Torborg, Kraemer Trucking and Excavating Inc., Project Manager, 320.249.5621. We appreciate your patience during this construction process.

Thank you and have a great day,

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