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Subject: From the City of Baxter - 6/30/2023 Project Construction Update #1 for the 2023 Commercial and Residential Full Depth Reclamation and Quiet Zone Improvements project

Project Stakeholders,

My name is Alex Voit. I'm the contracted project engineer with Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc (SEH) for the City of Baxter's 2023 Commercial and Residential Full Depth Reclamation and Quiet Zone Improvements project. I, or one of my colleagues, will be sending regular project updates like this during active construction.

The project team consists of the City of Baxter, SEH, and Anderson Brothers Construction Company. SEH is the local engineering firms that will serve as the contact between the contractors and residents/property owners. All general project questions should initially be directed to SEH. I can be reached by email or on my cell phone (218.821.0085) if you have any questions or concerns.

Anderson Brothers Construction Company is the prime Contractor responsible for the overall project and will be installing underground utilities, doing site grading and earthwork. The superintendent for the project is Scott Hendrickson. He can be reached at 218.820.9917.

Subcontractors for other work items that you may see on site include:

- Erosion Control and Turf Restoration – Doucette's Landscaping
- Traffic Control – Warning Lites
- Street Striping – Sir Lines a Lot
- Concrete / Curb and Gutter – Knife Lake
- Mailboxes and Signs – Central MN Seeding

The project consists of the reconstruction of Cedar Scenic Road from Oakwood Drive to Memorywood Drive and Clearwater Road from Ingelwood Drive to Edgewood Drive along with various municipal utility improvements. Ten foot wide paved trails will also be constructed on both streets. For additional information, project contacts and frequently asked questions please visit the project website below.

Project Website → <https://www.sehinc.com/baxter2023fdr>

Notice on Construction Zone Activities

Barricade and road closure signs may be installed throughout the project area to protect motorists during construction. Please pay careful attention to the warning signs! "Road Closed" signs are used where the road is impassable and closed to all traffic except for the Contractor's equipment or officially authorized vehicles. "Road Closed to Thru Traffic" signs are used where through traffic must detour to avoid a closure some distance beyond the sign, but where local traffic can move up to the point of closure. In this instance, local traffic would be defined as residential traffic from the particular street under construction.

There will also be times during construction that direct access to your driveway will be limited, particularly when storm sewer is being installed, the road is being subcut, when concrete is being placed and is curing, and when fresh, hot bituminous is being constructed. Access to your property is important to us, and Contractor will work to minimize those times that access must be limited.

As the Contractor's operations move during the course of construction, you may observe that signs and barricades move as well. We understand this may be frustrating! Please allow extra time in your schedule as you drive through the construction zone. Please advise your family and guests to exercise caution and safe driving speeds. Be sure workers and heavy equipment operators see you before driving around them.

Please do not remove any wooden stakes you will see temporarily placed on the boulevards. These stakes are used by the Contractor to construct the project and are expensive to replace.

Also, please do not remove or relocate the colored utility location flags. These flags, in conjunction with the spray paint markings on the ground, are necessary for the Contractor to locate buried utilities. We understand these flags may be unsightly and difficult to mow around, but we need your help to protect the construction crews and residents in your neighborhood.

Your help in keeping bystanders away from the construction area will ensure the project will progress safely.

6/30/2023 Project Status & Traffic Control

- Tree clearing and grubbing has begun on the project and will continue into next week.
- **The City's prime contractor for this project, Anderson Brothers Construction Company, Inc, has advised they will be starting some lower disruption construction activity on Wednesday, July 5th.** This work will consist of installing dewatering points to lower the water table in preparation for underground utility work on Clearwater Road. Work will be mostly off the existing roadways and will be completed under traffic. Private utility companies (electric, gas, communications) will be completing relocation work in and around the project limits the week of July 5th as well. Their work is anticipated to be ongoing through July.
- Anderson Brothers plans to begin underground utility work on the west end of Clearwater Road the week of July 10th. During this work there will be full closures of portions Clearwater Road. Updates on the exact sequencing and timing of these closures will be provided in future updates.
- Anderson Brothers plans to begin grading the proposed trail on the south side of Clearwater road and begin excavating stormwater ponds on Cedar Scenic Road the week of July 17th.
- Besides pond excavation the majority of road work on Cedar Scenic Road is not scheduled to begin until mid August.
- Overall project completion of construction is planned for the end of September 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.

Thank you,

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