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2020 South Interceptor and North Forestview Improvement Project Newsletter

April 22, 2020

Construction of:

- South Interceptor Forcemain
- Lift Station
- Sanitary Sewer
- Watermain
- Storm Sewer
- Street Reconstruction

Construction Duration:

Start: April 27, 2020
Finish: October 30, 2020

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Overview

The City of Baxter is undertaking a construction project to install city utilities and improve the city streets in the North Forestview Neighborhood. The project includes the installation of the South Interceptor forcemain, sanitary sewer, watermain, storm sewer outfall to the Mississippi River and street reconstruction.

Dates

Competitive bids for the work were received on February 25, 2020 and the project was awarded to RL Larson Excavating from St. Cloud, Minnesota on April 21, 2020.

RL Larson Excavating is currently scheduled to begin work on or after April 27th. The contract completion date for the work is October 30th.

R.L. Larson will be starting with clearing and grubbing west of TH 371 on Ironwood Drive and at the lift station proposed on Camwood Trail. They will then be removing pavements on Camwood Trail about 800' east and west of the lift station. They will be following up with sanitary sewer and watermain construction in these areas, see the map on the next page for these areas highlighted in red.

As the project progresses updates regarding planned construction for the remaining areas will be provided.

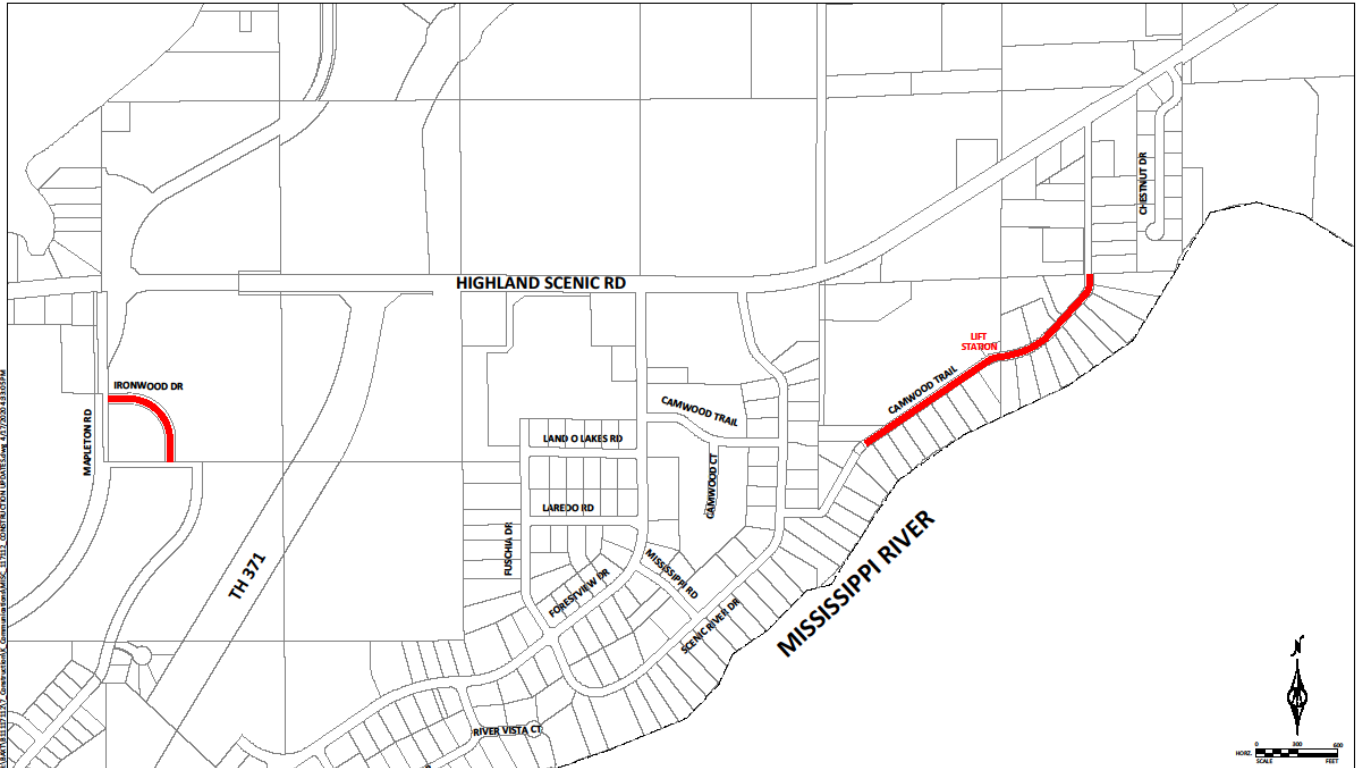
Access

The Contractor has planned working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. During underground utility installations pipe is planned to be constructed until 7:00 p.m. and backfilling of trenches completed thereafter.

Local traffic will be allowed to use the affected streets to gain access to businesses and their homes during construction. There may be periods when you will not have access to your driveway when utility trenches are open directly in front of your property. The Contractor and Inspector will coordinate with property owners when access will be limited to their property.

The Contractor will work with the postmaster and garbage haulers to establish temporary locations during construction. You will be contacted in the future regarding location and timing for these services during construction.

Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles.



Contractor

Doug Moen, from R.L. Larson Excavating will be the project manager for the contractor. He can be reached through his cell phone at 320-980-2511.

Engineer

The consulting engineer for the project is Bolton & Menk, Inc. - We encourage those with project concerns to direct them through the engineering contacts.

Alex Voit from Bolton & Menk will be on site representing the City during construction. He will be providing construction observation and coordination. You may call him at 218-821-1913 or e-mail him at alex.voit@bolton-menk.com with any questions or comments you may have.

Bryan Drown from Bolton & Menk is the project engineer for the City. You may call Bryan at 218-821-5242, or e-mail him at bryan.drown@bolton-menk.com.

 **Construction**

It is very common on these types of projects that area residents (especially children) become quite curious about the work the Contractor is performing. We ask that you please be respectful of and stay well clear of construction zones. Many hazards and dangers exist from heavy machinery, trenches, loose material, confined spaces, hot asphalt, etc. and often times are not recognizable by the general public. The Contractor has responsibility to ensure safety on the project and within the construction area. Any direction from the Contractor regarding safety must be heeded; likewise if you observe an unsafe condition please report it to the Alex immediately.

Individuals present on the construction site must also follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Minnesota Department of Health related to COVID-19. The Contractor and Engineer have protocols in place to adhere to hygiene and social distancing recommendations.

 **Updates**

Informational newsletters, such as this one, will be provided to you periodically throughout the project. If you have questions or concerns at any time, please contact Bryan or Alex at the phone number or email address listed above.

Weekly construction meetings will be held when construction begins. Meetings will be held each Thursday at 10:00 a.m. As long as COVID-19 social distancing requirements remain in place weekly construction meetings will be held virtually. When restrictions are lifted, weekly construction meetings will be held on site and are open to property owners. Until that time Bolton & Menk will send out weekly project updates.

Bolton & Menk is developing an e-mail distribution list for project updates. Please e-mail Bryan Drown at bryan.drown@bolton-menk.com with the e-mail address(es) you would like updates sent to.

Bolton & Menk has developed a project website where construction updates will be provided. Please check the website for updates after the project has begun. A link to the website will also be provided on the City of Baxter website.

The project website address is: <https://clients.bolton-menk.com/baxter2020improvements/>

 **Alerts****Service Line Connections**

Sewer and water services will be constructed as close as possible to your property line as part of the city project. Homeowners will be responsible for hiring a contractor to abandon or remove the existing septic system and make the sewer and water connections between the property line and the house. Attached please find a current list of excavating contractors who are licensed and registered in the City of Baxter to complete this work.

Please contact, or have your excavating contractor contact, Alex Voit at 218-821-1913 to coordinate your desired location of sewer and water service line locations at the right-of-way

Private Improvements in Right-of-Way

If you have improvements such as landscaping, retaining walls, shrubs, bushes, flowers, sheds, irrigation systems, etc. in the right-of-way, it is not the contractor's responsibility to work around them. The property owner is responsible for securing these private improvements and moving them if necessary, to allow the project to be constructed. Neither the contractor nor City is responsible for damages incurred to private improvements in the right-of-way. Any underground improvements, such as irrigation lines and heads, dog fences, etc., should be located and marked so they are readily visible.



Registered Excavating Contractors

Below is a comprehensive list to the best of our knowledge of all excavating contractors who are registered with the City of Baxter who have their pipe layers certifications. This list is subject to change, if you have any questions with regards to a contractor that is not on this list please feel free to call the Public Works Department at 218.454.5115.

Borden Excavating	Matt Borden	218-765-3397
Tim Thompson Plumbing	Tim Thompson	218-839-2935
DeChantal Excavating	Al DeChantal	218-828-4636
Eric's Excavating	Eric Johnson	218-851-1136
G & L Excavating	Tony Goble	218-829-9314
G & S Excavating	Shon Jensen	218-963-3293
LandWerx, LLC	Justin Rudolph	218-831-3435
Peterson Excavating	Randy Peterson	218-828-0066
Pratt's Affordable Excavating	Shawn Pratt	218-765-4244
Rardin Excavating	Mike Rardin	218-828-0653
Rasinski Excavating	Dave Rasinki	218-825-8609
VanVickle Excavating	Clint Vickle	218-838-4805
Bodell Landscaping & Excavation	Ryan Bodell	218-851-8034