



2022 Foley Road, Isle Drive, and Forthun Road Improvement Project Newsletter

October 7, 2022

Construction of:

- Sanitary Sewer
- Watermain
- Storm Sewer
- Street Reconstruction
- Street Reclamation
- Trail Reconstruction

Construction Duration:

Start: May 31, 2022
Finish: October 28, 2022

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Overview

The City of Baxter is undertaking a construction project to install city utilities and improve the city streets and trails on Foley Road from Highland Scenic Road to Elder Drive and at the Isle Drive and Forthun Road intersection. The project includes the installation of the sanitary sewer, watermain, storm sewer, street and trail construction, and mini-roundabout.

Dates

Paving of Foley Road, Knollwood Drive and Foley Road intersection, and adjacent trail will continue today and tomorrow (Saturday, October 8th). R.L. Larson is planning the week of October 10th to October 14th to pour concrete driveway aprons on Monday October 10th, place topsoil and final grade behind curb, and raise manholes and water valves to final elevations.

Construction

Construction on the adjacent TH 210 and Inglewood Drive project has started. Anderson Brothers Construction of Brainerd is the General Contractor for this project. Knollwood Drive from TH 210 to Timberlane Drive will reopen at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, October 10th to thru traffic.

Knollwood Drive will remain open from TH 210 to Timberlane Drive until the Inglewood Drive connection to Foley Road is opened in 2023.

Access

The Contractor has planned working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Local traffic will be allowed to use the affected streets to gain access to businesses and their homes during construction. The Contractor and Inspector will coordinate with property owners when access will be limited to their property.

Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles.

 **Contacts****Contractor**

Matt John, from R.L. Larson Excavating will be the project manager for the contractor. He can be reached through his cell phone at 218-405-0280.

Engineer

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

Jason Bubolz from Bolton & Menk is the resident construction representative. Jason will be on site representing the city during construction. He will be providing construction observation and coordination. You may call him at 320-212-7567 or e-mail him at jason.bubolz@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 Jason immediately.

 **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 Casey at the phone number or email address listed above.

Weekly construction meetings will be held when construction begins. Meetings will be held each Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Weekly construction meetings will be held on site and are open to property owners. If there is inclement weather meeting will be held at the Baxter Public Works Facility.

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/inglewooddrive/>



Service Line Connections

New sewer and water will be constructed on Foley Road near the extension of Inglewood Drive. Sewer and water services will be constructed 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. Homeowners will have five years from project completion to connect their house to city sewer and water services. Attached please find a current list of excavating contractors who are licensed and registered in the City of Baxter to complete this work.

Sewer and water installation is complete. Pressure testing and bacteria testing were completed August 25th. Property owners are now able to connect to the installed services.

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.