

*Q- How much is this going to cost?*

A- Approximately \$1.9 million

*Q- Are property owners in the direct area going to be individually assessed on their taxes to pay for this?*

A- No, this cost will be covered in the typical budget process of the Town, much like if we were to reconstruct a public road in any other area of the Town. There will not be a special assessment to the affected area.

*Q- Why are we doing this project?*

A- We have underground drainage infrastructure dating back to approximately the 1930's that has failed. During inspection last year a decision was made to consider options for repairs given the age and locations of current infrastructure, a professional engineering firm was retained to provide options for the Town Board to consider. Moving forward all new drainage pipes and structures will be underground and contained within the Town right of way.

*Q- Why not just repair the existing underground pipe, why hire an engineer, why all this work?*

A- The current infrastructure in some areas traverses private property, is nearly inaccessible in places, and in areas is buried under existing structures. For years during heavy rains, this area has experienced damaging flooding and the present infrastructure is currently not sized properly. In addition to the professional engineering firm, the Town has worked closely with the DNR, Walworth County, and others in an attempt to design the new system to optimize both functionality and water quality entering the lake.

*Q- Why are pipes going to go down Hillside Road, why not just use the existing path that travels behind all the houses before it gets to the lake?*

A- The current path the water takes North of Hickory is not adequate during heavy rains. Although water will continue to flow in that same area, moving forward at a point of flow determined by the engineer, excess water will be diverted underground to Hillside and head north to the lake.

*Q- What other work will be done?*

A- WE energies will be performing infrastructure upgrades during this time as well. Some roads will be resurfaced; culverts will be installed where necessary, ditch shaping and restoration will also occur.

*Q- Will you need to access private property?*

A- Yes, some on Hillside road near the lake. Those owners will be contacted individually in the future and will be asked to sign a right of entry form.

*Q- Will I be able to get to my house and will the boat launch remain open?*

A- Yes, access to properties and the boat launch will remain during construction.

*Q- When will the project begin and end?*

A- Contracts are signed, utility markings are taking place and materials are being procured. Noticeable work should start within the next 15-30 days. Project should be complete late summer 2019.