



WHEATON SANITARY DISTRICT



Date: November 2021
To: Residents on Ellis Avenue, Wheaton
From: Wheaton Sanitary District
Subject: Northside Interceptor Sewer Replacement Project
Construction Through Northside Park, on Ellis Avenue, and Surrounding Areas

MEMO

Please be informed that Wheaton Sanitary District (WSD) has been doing heavy construction regarding its Northside Interceptor (NSI) Sewer Replacement Program in Northside Park for about a month. Heavy construction will move to your area starting around 11/24/21 and last for approximately the next several months.

OVERVIEW & REASONS FOR NSI PROJECT:

- Wheaton Sanitary District has three main interceptor pipes that carry wastewater flow to the Plant.
- The original NSI pipe was installed in 1926 and 1962, and has come to the end of its useful life.
- The current NSI pipe has capacity limitations, infiltration and inflow issues, and deteriorating materials.
- The NSI Interceptor needs to be upsized to solve the above issues, for safety, and for greater capacity.
- Not completing the Project soon could result in health and safety issues, and/or IEPA violations.
- After replacement, the pipe should not need to be replaced in our lifetimes.
- The total Project cost is about \$38.2 million. WSD has been proactively securing Project funding, so large future rate increases are not expected. WSD does not levy taxes.
- For Project updates, visit – www.wsd.dst.il.us/about-wsd/news/ or for questions call Jim Snell (815) 444-3321.

NSI PROJECT SPECIFICS:

- The NSI Project started in March 2021, and is expected to last about three years. The Northside Park and surrounding area phase is expected to take about six months.
- The total NSI pipe is ~5.2 miles, with the majority being replaced. The NSI pipe ranges in diameter from 12”- 60”.
- NSI construction methods include open-cut excavation, pipe augering, and microtunneling.
- Construction will be from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, but allowed until 7:00 pm.

ROAD CLOSURES, DETOURS, CONSTRUCTION, DRIVEWAY ACCESS, GARBAGE & MAIL SERVICE SPECIFICS:

- **Construction Traffic Route** - The primary construction traffic route for this phase will be on Ellis and Armbrust Avenues.
- **Road Closure** - The Ellis Avenue closure will start on W.11/24/21, or the following M.11/29/21. It is expected to be opened back up ~12/17/21 or earlier, depending upon weather and other conditions.
- **Pipe Installation and Restoration** - Pipe installation is expected to start around 11/24/21 and continue through the end of the year. Restoration will follow as weather allows in the spring. In the interim, a hard surface will be provided for all currently paved surfaces to allow for snow removal.
- **Driveway Access** - Access to driveways will be restricted at times during working hours. However, residences will be notified by the construction manager prior to any driveways being inaccessible. It is anticipated that driveways will be accessible during non-working hours with the exception being potentially a full day or two when the pipe installation occurs directly in front of your home.
- **Garbage Service** – Garbage will be picked up at 6:00 am, starting on M.11/29/21, through the conclusion of the pipe installation on Ellis Avenue. Garbage should be placed outside on Sunday nights.
- **Postal Service** - A mailbox cluster will be installed on Armbrust Avenue for residents to receive their mail.