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IL 251 Service Drive Improvements Construction Update #6 August 11, 2017

Ongoing Work, and Work Completed to Date

- New valves have been installed at the Harlem Ct. and Darr Ct. Intersections
- New water services have been installed along the entire Service Drive.
- Storm sewer has been installed along Harlem Court.
- Storm Sewer has been installed along Darr Court.
- Storm Sewer has been installed along 80% of the IL 251 Service Drive.
- All but 2 of the inlets have been installed.
- Core out has begun.

August 11th thru August 18th:

- The Contractor will continue the “core out” process of constructing. The process involves removing what is left of the existing pavement structure (i.e., the existing pavement and stone), and placing the new stone base in preparation for the curb and gutter improvements (this process is called “core out”). During the process, we will also test the existing materials under the new stone base (called a “subgrade”) to make sure they are capable of supporting vehicle loads before the new stone is placed. The core out process temporarily lowers the grade of the street, and as a result the driveway approaches will be **MUCH** steeper until the new curb and gutter is poured. If the subgrade materials are found to be weak, those materials will be removed and replaced with new stone. There have been and will continue to be areas where we will encounter weak soils, so it is very hard for the Contractor to accurately predict when you will lose access to your driveway. The Contractor will provide a notice the day before they think they will be working in front of your house. However, if the subgrade materials are weak they may not make it to your driveway, so please keep an eye on progress as the Contractor is working. We expect that you will lose access to your driveway for approximately four to six hours during the core out process; however, access to all driveways will be restored by the end of the day. If you need access to your vehicle, we would suggest moving it when the core out process is 2-3 driveways ahead of your driveway.

The Contractor will start at the south end of the Service Drive and work their way north. Once the Service Drive is done, the Contractor will move to Harlem Court, and once complete the Contractor will move to Darr Avenue.

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This is the final reminder to turn in the Temporary Construction Easement forms that were sent to the property owners where sidewalk is located behind the right of way line (generally the properties along the Service Drive south of Darr Court). **Responses are due by August 11th.**

If you have any comments or questions feel free to contact:

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We thank you for your patience, and we remind you to please exercise caution while driving through the construction zone.