



## BAY SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

### INFORMATIONAL MAILER #1

The Bigfork County Water and Sewer District has begun design on a project to replace the Bay Sewer Main in downtown Bigfork. The following are some questions and answers about the project and how to receive information in the future.

#### WHAT IS THE BAY SEWER MAIN?

The Bay Sewer Main is a critical sewer main that runs through a narrow corridor along the shore of Bigfork Bay. The main collects wastewater from businesses and residences in the downtown area.

#### WHY DOES IT NEED TO BE REPLACED?

The Bay Sewer has numerous "bellies" (or low points) that trap grease and other solids, which could lead to an overflow into buildings or the lake. The amount of grease making its way to the main is above normal and is particularly worrisome due to the proximity to Flathead Lake.

#### WHAT IS PREVENTING AN OVERFLOW NOW?

The District cleans the main twice a year at great expense. Access to the main is extremely difficult due to buildings, decks, and landscaping.

#### WILL THE EXISTING MAIN BE REPLACED?

Due to the proximity to the lake and development around the main, it is not feasible to replace the main in its current location. The District is currently evaluating options and will communicate the proposed solution at a later date.

Please visit [www.bigforkwater.com](http://www.bigforkwater.com) for detailed project maps and information.



#### WHEN WILL CONSTRUCTION START?

The construction schedule has not been finalized however; it is anticipated that construction will be completed in two phases in the early spring or late fall to avoid the summer tourist season.

#### HOW DO I RECEIVE INFORMATION IN THE FUTURE?

Please fill out the questionnaire attached to this mailing. The questionnaire is an opportunity for you to tell us if you have any information about your sewer service line or if you have any concerns. It also provides us with updated contact information so we can effectively communicate with you in the future.

#### WILL THERE BE ANY PUBLIC MEETINGS?

Yes. The District is planning at least two public meetings. The dates/times of these meetings are not finalized, but will be communicated in advance.

#### WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

In the next few weeks, someone from Morrison-Maierle, **the District's engineer for the project, may stop by or call to gain access to your building.** The purpose of this investigation is to determine where your sewer service line leaves the building.

## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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### QUESTIONNAIRE

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you rent or lease your property? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

*If yes, provide the tenants name and contract information*

Tenant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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