



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS / ENGINEERING DIVISION

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September 24, 2009

Re: Rattlesnake Neighborhood Sewer Collection System – Construction Schedule  
Special Improvement District 544

Dear Property Owner and Resident:

The City of Missoula has awarded the construction contract for the Rattlesnake Neighborhood Sewer Collection System construction contract, and construction is scheduled to begin the week of October 5, 2009. The total contract time is 270 days, with a planned winter shutdown, and the project is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2010. The project will install new sewer main and stubs to each property and will also include utility relocation and paving. The bulk of the sewer system construction before the winter 2009 shutdown will be within the area of Duncan Drive, Parkside Lane, Skyline Drive, and Lolo Street.

- Safco, Inc., an Idaho construction company, is the contractor for the project. Safco's office phone number is (208)772-4251.
- Safco's construction superintendent for the project will be Brian Rush. Questions regarding construction operations or schedule should be directed to Mr. Rush. His cell number is (208)659-5894.
- Project design and inspection will be performed by Morrison-Maierle, Inc, a local Missoula engineering firm. The Project Engineer for Morrison-Maierle is Craig Schaeffer; his phone number is 542-8880. Questions regarding project design or layout should be directed to Mr. Schaeffer.

Once the sewer main has been installed and tested and is accepted by the City, property owners will be notified that it is available for connections. Connections to the sanitary sewer system will enhance water quality in the Missoula valley aquifer by eliminating contamination from individual septic systems. Sewer connections are not required upon completion of this project, but they are strongly encouraged. In accordance with City Ordinance 3336, properties must be connected before their sale or transfer once sewer is available. All connections must be performed by excavation contractors who are licensed and bonded with the City of Missoula. A list of contractors is available at City Engineering and on the City's website at [www.ci.missoula.mt.us](http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us) (type "excavation contractors" in the search box). Your contractor will be required to purchase a permit for the connection.

Each phase of construction will take several weeks. Major phases include sewer main installation, sewer service stub installation, street paving, and cleanup. On-street parking and access to your property will be temporarily disrupted during each phase as it passes your property. The contractor will notify you in advance of any access restrictions to your property. Thank you in advance for your patience during the project.

The SID assessment for the project will be financed over 20 years, or you may choose to pay off the SID when the first bill arrives. The anticipated billing date will be in November 2010. Sewer connection financing is also available. Questions regarding sewer connection fees or financing for connections may be directed to the Public Works Permit Specialist, Jolene Ellerton, at 552-6349. If you have any other questions, or wish to discuss issues related to the project, please call me or Gregg Wood at 552-6345.

Sincerely,

Kevin Slovarp, P.E.  
City Engineer

cc: David Strohmaier, Ward 1 City Council Representative  
Jason Wiener, Ward 1 City Council Representative  
Upper Rattlesnake Neighborhood Council  
Lower Rattlesnake Neighborhood Council  
John Engen, Mayor