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Dear Resident,

The Village of Lake in the Hills is pleased to inform you that Woods Creek located near your property, will receive restoration improvements this year. The project will begin in November 2023 with conclusion of earthwork and creek improvements expected by December 31, 2023. Full completion is scheduled for May 31, 2024 with final seeding and plant installation.

The intent of the Woods Creek Reach 12 Restoration project is to stabilize 1,000 linear feet of streambank. Also included is 6 acres of wetland restoration for the area adjacent to the creek returning it back to its native conditions. Included in the restoration is improvement of water quality, green infrastructure and wildlife.

Often the most noticeable impact on this type of project will be the loss of trees adjacent to the streambank. Unfortunately, the more trees preserved, the more shade they create, making it extremely difficult to produce/grow the necessary ground layer of deeply rooted native plants. That deep rooted ground layer helps to stabilize the streambank, which is essential to the success of the project. It will take time for those native plants to really begin to thrive. This is a difficult period because it may look unkept, but the Village will provide the necessary maintenance on the project while the plants establish themselves.

The scope of work will include removal of non-native vegetation, streambank restoration and stabilization, tree removal, and seeding of native vegetation.

All work will occur within Village owned property. **Any existing non-village owned features that are located within the Village property (i.e. sprinkler system, landscape features, fire pits, dog fences, or other items privately owned and maintained), precautions should be taken by the property owner to remove these items to prevent damage during construction. The Village will not repair or replace any private property left within the Village owned parcel if damaged during construction.**

- Guy Fehrman, LITH Superintendent of Streets, will be the Village Representative for the project. Guy can be reached at 847-960-7507 or [lfehrman@lith.org](mailto:lfehrman@lith.org).
- Darren Olson, LITH Stormwater Enforcement Officer, will be the project manager for the project. Darren can be reached at 847-823-0500 or [dolson@cbbel.com](mailto:dolson@cbbel.com).
- Doug Paulus will be the resident engineer performing construction inspection and acting as the field liaison to residents and property owners. Doug can be reached at 847-823-0500 or [dpaulus@cbbel.com](mailto:dpaulus@cbbel.com).

Additional information can be found online through the Village's website at <https://bit.ly/44iCjas>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan McDillon".

Ryan McDillon  
Director of Public Works