

June 2, 2023

RE: Survey Crew in Area Lamplighter Pond Maintenance Project City project no. 4022-4001

Dear Community Member:

The City of St. Louis Park will be continuing a habitat and maintenance needs assessment on Lamplighter Pond this summer. The pond was last maintained in 2003, which included a significant expansion of the basin to improve flood storage capacity and improve the basin's water quality.

The city's consultant will continue to conduct baseline fisheries surveys using boat electrofishing methods as well as trap nets. These are non-lethal, standardized gear used to assess the status of native and invasive fish. Following the results of these continued surveys, the city will be able to make more informed decisions on how to improve the ecology and overall health of the lake.

You may notice activities in and around Lamplighter Pond in the next few months. Activities may include survey crews, utility markings, and data collection. The collected information will assist city staff in evaluating the overall performance of the pond, how it improves the water quality within the watershed, and what maintenance the pond may need.

Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns regarding the evaluation activities at 952.924.2690 or <u>efrancis@stlouisparkmn.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Erick Francis Water resources manager

Attachment - Project Map

CC: Debra Heiser, engineering director Kim Keller, city manager Ward 4 Councilmember

Lamplighter Pond Maintenance Project



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Project Location



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