

Aug. 10, 2023

RE: Survey Crew in Area South Oak Pond Rehabilitation project City project no. 4024-4000

Dear Community Member:

The City of St. Louis Park will be implementing a water quality project at South Oak Pond in 2024.

The goal of this project is to improve the quality of water that flows out of South Oak Pond to Minnehaha Creek and, ultimately, to Lake Hiawatha. This project will aim to reduce the total phosphorus concentrations flowing out of South Oak Pond by installing a water filtration system. This project is a part of a larger effort toward reducing the annual total phosphorus loading from the city into Minnehaha Creek. The project location map is on the back of this letter.

The first step in project development is data collection. Over the next few months, you may notice survey crews and city staff performing inspections, marking utilities, and collecting data in your neighborhood. The collected information will help in preparing final designs that will establish estimated costs of water quality improvements.

Funding for the South Oak Pond Rehabilitation project is allocated from the city's Stormwater Capital Improvement Program. There are no proposed assessments to property owners for this project.

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,

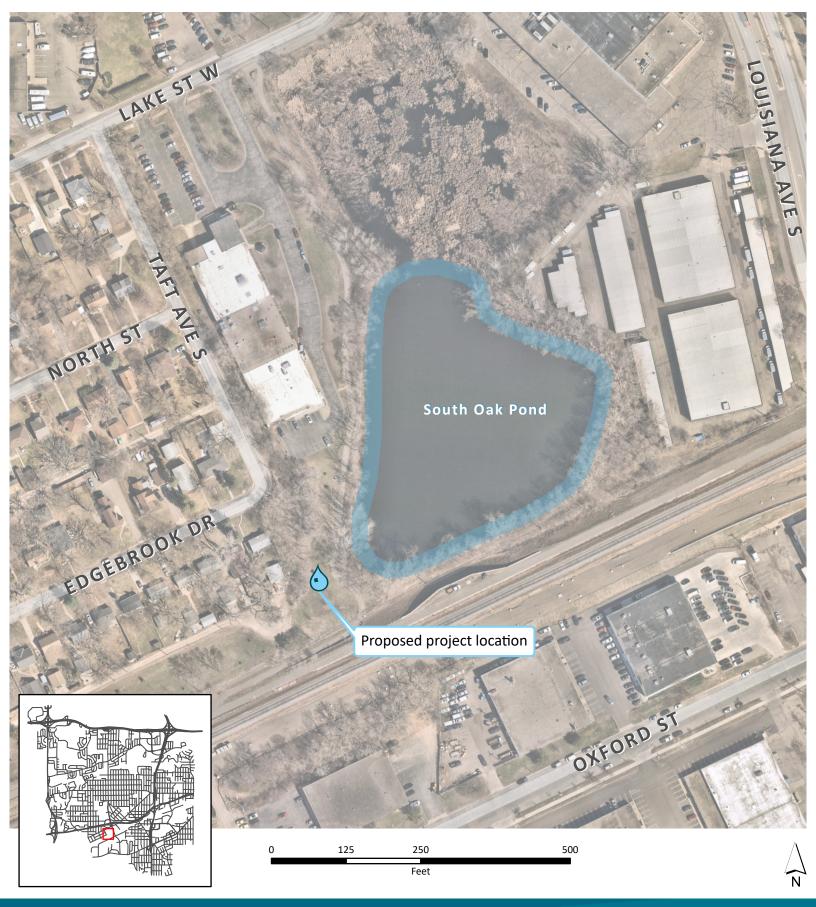
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Erick Francis Water resources manager

Attachment - Project Map CC: Debra Heiser, engineering director Kim Keller, city manager Ward 2 council member

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