Hello,

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) will be repairing sewers in your neighborhood beginning in January.

Background

MCES operates and maintains the wastewater collection and treatment system in the seven-county Twin Cities metro region. Our nine treatment plants process the region’s wastewater. Wastewater is conveyed to our treatment plants through more than 600 miles of large interceptor sewer pipes that collect the flow from your city’s sanitary sewer system. In the Lake Minnetonka area, wastewater is conveyed to our treatment plant in Shakopee.

As part of maintaining our interceptor pipe system, we periodically assess the condition of our pipes. A recent assessment along North Shore Drive detected significant corrosion in our pipe between French Creek Drive and Railroad Avenue. While we do not anticipate leaks, we decided to make immediate repairs due to the environmentally sensitive location of the pipe.

Sewer Repairs – What to Expect

MCES will:

1. Install an above-ground temporary piping system to safely convey wastewater.
2. Perform additional assessments on the existing pipe.
3. Perform any necessary repairs on the pipe.

During this work, construction equipment will operate along North Shore Drive. Barriers will also be set up to protect piping and equipment. We anticipate various closures along North Shore Drive, mainly for westbound traffic during construction. In addition, short-term closures might happen if:

- The temporary piping system needs to cross a driveway/side street
- If repair work must extend through a driveway or intersection

Winter weather can create hazardous conditions in construction zones. Please use caution when driving through the work area.

We will mail additional information on detours and construction work once details are available. Please contact us if you have any questions and thank you for your patience.

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