



March 26, 2026

Dear Property Owner/Resident:

Hastings City Council is expected to award the contract for the 15<sup>th</sup> & Bailly Stormwater Basin Project to Clark Companies at the Hastings City Council Meeting held on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The project intends to improve stormwater quality by installing an infiltration basin on City property in effort to treat stormwater runoff prior to discharging to the Vermillion River. The project is scheduled to take approximately 3-4 weeks and occur sometime this May and/or June. Please see the attached map for further design information.



## FAQs

### **What is the need for the project?**

The storm sewer system for this neighborhood discharges directly into the Vermillion River without any significant treatment. The City of Hastings and the Vermillion River Watershed has identified this watershed area as an opportunity to improve stormwater quality to meet mandated TMDL goals for Hastings.

### **What is a TMDL?**

A TMDL stands for "Total Maximum Daily Load". A TMDL is a regulatory, science-based calculation determining the maximum amount of a specific pollutant a waterbody (river, lake, stream) can receive daily while still meeting water quality standards.

### **What pollutant is Hastings trying to lower?**

Hastings is mandated by the State to find ways to lower the discharge of Total Suspended Solids (TSS). TSS are particles such as silt, clay, sand, and organic matter that cloudy up our waters and reduce the storage capacity of our basins and waterways.

### **What is the scope of the project?**

The storm sewer pipe currently runs off 15<sup>th</sup> Street, through City property, under the railroad tracks, to the Vermillion River. The project converts an "out of the way" shallow ravine area into an infiltration basin. A pre-treatment structure will also be added to ensure the basin functions properly for years to come.

**Will trees need to be removed?**

The City set out trying to preserve as many trees as possible to keep the same look and feel of the area. The City Forester helped the design team identify desirable healthy mature trees that should be saved. However, to size the basin properly, twenty trees and additional scrub brush, internal to the site, will need to be removed. Trees directly adjacent to the existing trail will mostly be saved to maintain the wooded aesthetic appeal. In addition, to mitigate the tree loss, twenty trees will be replanted in the area, including adjacent to the trail corridor.

**Will the trail be re-paved?**

The City understands the trail is degrading and beginning to show its age. However, trail work is outside the project scope as it will need to be funded through different means, in a different year.

**Who is paying for this project? Will I be assessed?**

There is no cost to the residents for this work (no assessment). The City received a Grant from the Watershed to complete the vast majority of this work.

**Will I need to put up with noise all summer long?**

Once started, the project should be completed fairly quick. The project should take approximately 3-4 weeks with some tree clearing, truck hauling of excess soil, installation of manhole structures, and restoration. The Contractor will access the project off 15<sup>th</sup> St/Bailly St and/or Sumner St/18<sup>th</sup> St. But with this said, the project area sits 300 feet plus away from the nearest home with trees to buffer some noise.

**Will the trail remain open during construction?**

Every effort to keep the trail corridor open will be made. However, during truck hauling, tree clearing, and other such activities the trail will be signed closed for the safety of the residents.

**My child walks to and from school every day. Will he be able to continue?**

The allowable project timeline is May and/or June. The City will not know the exact schedule for a few weeks yet. If the Contractor chooses May, then please contact me and we can work something out. Ideally, Tyler St sidewalk is an optional alternate route to/from school. But know, all construction will occur from the trail southward.

**Will the current "no parking" restrictions on 15<sup>th</sup> St and Bailly St continue throughout this project?**

Yes. The contractor will be instructed to NOT park within these areas at any time.

**How do I stay informed with what's going on with the project?**

This letter serves as an informational letter. One additional letter will be mailed about a week or so prior to construction.

Once the project begins, weekly construction updates will be made available in a couple of ways:

1. City Website.
  - a. Google "City of Hastings MN" and search "Construction Projects", or
  - b. <https://www.hastingsmn.gov/home-living/streets-parking-and-transportation/construction-projects/>
2. Email. Sign up to receive the updates.
  - a. Google "City of Hastings MN" and search "E-Notices", or
  - b. <https://www.hastingsmn.gov/government-transparency/news-notices-and-publications/e-notices/>

The City acknowledges the inconveniences construction may bring. We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this project! If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 651.480.2369.

Sincerely,



John Caven, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

Cc: Mayor & City Council  
Parks & Recreation Director  
City Forester

**1 PLAN: SITE GRADING & STORM SEWER**



THESEY ENGINEERS HAS THIS PLAN, SPECIFICATION, OR REPORT PREPARED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION AND THAT I AM A DULY LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

PRINTED NAME: PATRICK E. BROCKAMP  
 SIGNATURE: [Signature]  
 DATE: 02/27/2026 LICENSE # 54931

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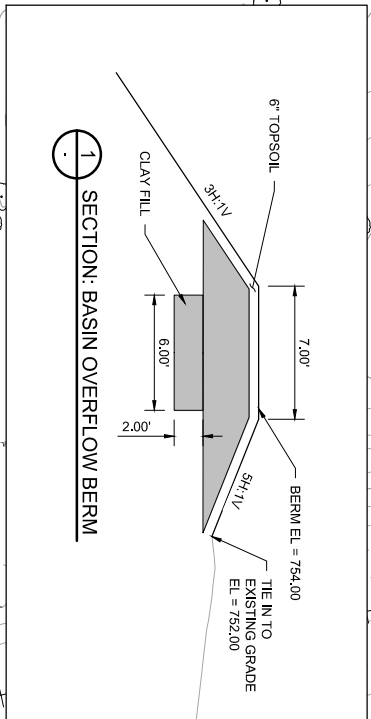
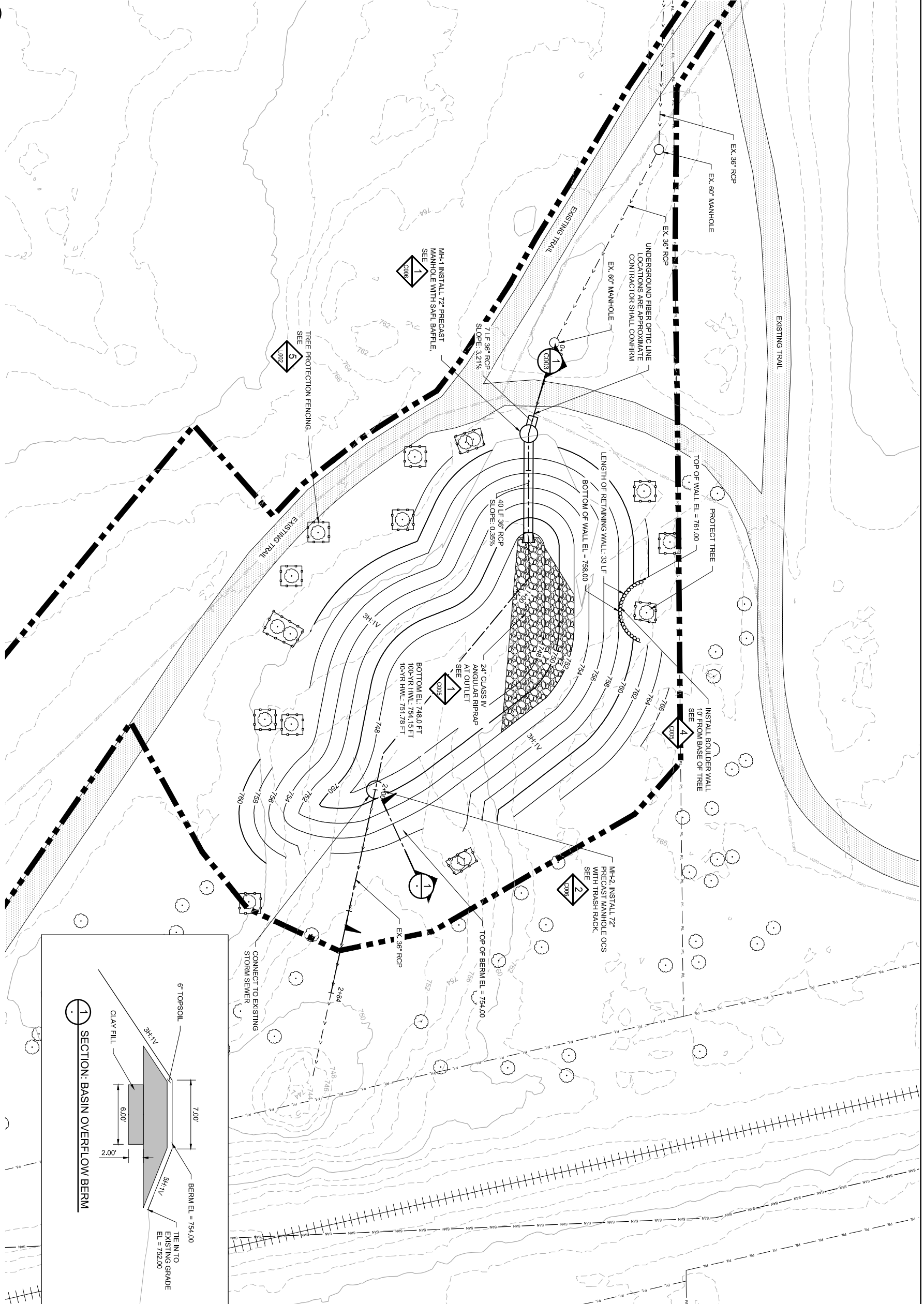


**15TH & BALLY STORMWATER BASIN PROJECT**  
 HASTINGS, MN

**SITE GRADING & STORM SEWER PLAN**

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**LEGEND:**

**EXISTING CONDITIONS LEGEND**

- PL - PROPERTY LINE
- 1380 - EXISTING MAJOR CONTOUR
- 1379 - EXISTING MINOR CONTOUR
- SM - EXISTING SANITARY SEWER
- SW - EXISTING STORM SEWER PIPE
- UV - EXISTING UNDERGROUND FIBER OPTIC
- VEG - EXISTING EDGE OF VEGETATION
- BITUM - EXISTING BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT
- RR - EXISTING RAILROAD
- MM - EXISTING STORM MANHOLE
- TR - EXISTING TREE

**CONSTRUCTION LEGEND**

- 1380 - PROPOSED MAJOR CONTOUR
- 1379 - PROPOSED MINOR CONTOUR
- RIPRAP - PROPOSED RIPRAP
- PIPE - PROPOSED STORM SEWER PIPE
- FENC - TREE PROTECTION FENCING

**CONSTRUCTION LIMITS**

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- NOTES:**
1. INSTALL SALVAGED TOPSOIL ON ALL DISTURBED AREAS - 6\"/>
  2. CONTRACTOR REQUIRED TO NOTIFY ENGINEER 48-HOURS BEFORE EXCAVATION.