

Neil Heinonen

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Residents and Project Stakeholders:

This will be the final update for the 2024 construction season.

Roadway construction projects create many challenges for the traveling public, especially when the project takes place outside your front door. **The City of Baxter and the project team at Short Elliott Hendrickson would like to thank everyone for their patience and understanding throughout the course of construction.** The project team will resume updates in Spring 2025 prior to continued turf restoration and shouldering work.

During the last couple of weeks, the contractor continued turf restoration in staging areas, clean-up, and punch list work at various locations throughout the project area.

[Project Schedule/ Upcoming Work:](#)

The Contractor's tentative schedule for upcoming work includes:

- The contractor will have staff on site at various times until the first week of December continuing work on minor punch list items as weather permits.
- The contractor will continue turf restoration next spring. This will include additional topsoil along roadway shoulders and repairs or touch up sod/seeding next spring.

[Miscellaneous Repairs:](#)

Please contact Shane Murphy (smurphy@sehinc.com or 612.226.7984) to discuss any outstanding miscellaneous action items such as irrigation repair, mailbox work, or other general items that may need attention at your property.

[Sewer and Water Service Connections:](#)

The contractor has completed installation and testing of necessary components at each sanitary sewer lift station in the South Forestview neighborhood. All water distribution systems throughout the project area have been inspected and tested as well. At this time, residents may begin to connect to the City water and sewer systems. If you have any questions or concerns regarding sewer and water connections, please contact City of Baxter staff listed below:

Luke Evans
Engineering Inspector
218-454-5176
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[Water Ponding in Ditches:](#)

Water accumulation in ditch bottoms is a normal condition following rain events, especially in areas of newly placed sod or seed. As turf restoration continues and roots extend into the soil, the duration of ponding in ditch bottoms will begin to decrease. We appreciate your patience and understanding while root development takes place. If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding storm water storage, please contact Shane Murphy at 612.226.7984 or smurphy@sehinc.com

[Project Website:](#)

Please note the link below, which includes the information about the project.

Link: <https://www.sehinc.com/baxter2024southforestview>

Please reach out to me if you have questions related to the project.

Regards,
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