

Department of Public Works Engineering Division

Fact and Details Sheet: Wexford Pond Dredging

Project Details – Proposed Work

Pond: The City will be dredging the existing ponds, creating new forebays, installing a vegetated access path off High Point road, and installing a retaining wall on Stormwater Utility Property adjacent to High Point Swim Club.

Street: No portion of the street shall be under construction, although there may be temporary delays on N High Point Rd and Old Sauk Rd while vehicles exit and enter the site.

Trees: There are no planned tree removals with this project. City trees may be pruned for construction access. However, there currently exist non-planted, volunteer shrubs along the pond edge that will likely be impacted.

As part of this project, the Contractor shall be required to re-establish native seed. Additionally, an ecological firm has been hired for 2025 to improve the plant habitat to increase native plants and reduce populations of wild parsnip and invasive species that impact native plant establishment.

Herptiles: Prior to construction, the city contracted with Heartland Ecological Group, Inc. to install



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minimize impacts to herptiles. This included installing exclosure fencing to minimize herptile migration to ponds, performing meander surveys to capture and release frogs and turtles, and installing overnight hoop traps to capture and relocate turtles from this pond to suitable city-owned habitat. The city has also contracted with Heartland Ecological Group, Inc. for additional assistance during construction to relocate herptiles to wildlife centers as needed.

Terrace Areas: Disturbed terrace areas will be restored with topsoil, erosion mat, and grass seed.

Utilities: There are no impacts to gas, electric, water or sanitary utilities that will impact service to residents.

Project Website:

https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/wexford-pond-dredging

Link to Construction Documents:

https://www.cityofmadison.com/business/pw/contracts/details.cfm?ContractNumber=8876