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MEMO

DATE: October 29th, 2020

TO: Landowners on CD26 (Getchell Creek)

FROM: Jon Roeschlein (Ditch and Permit Manager), Sarah Boser (Water Resource Manager), Scott Henderson (Administrator) of the Sauk River Watershed District

RE: Survey and Data Collection

The Sauk River Watershed District has requested and received an amendment on existing grant funding within the CD26/Getchell Creek subwatershed. The grant amendment will allow us to complete feasibility work, including surveys of the drainage system, to determine the best location and type of water quantity and quality projects.

This amendment has been in the works since the February landowner meeting, where we heard numerous concerns regarding the volume of water landowners are experiencing both in the drainage system and on their surrounding property. By using the existing grant funds to complete this feasibility work, we will have a combination of project options to increase the storage in the system and surrounding area, which will reduce the stress on the drainage system. The long-term goal with this process would be to reduce the amount of repair work and related assessments to the landowners.

Due to the recent approval of the amendment, in combination with cooperating weather and consultant availability, Houston Engineering staff will be onsite completing survey work within the drainage system starting today, October 29th, 2020. Both Houston Engineering and SRWD staff will be on-site periodically over the next 8-10 months to complete the necessary survey and field verification work.

Please contact the SRWD via the contact information above with any questions or concerns you may have.

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