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This is a special-edition email sent to Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District (LSLID) newsletter subscribers to provide a quick update on the High-Water Outlet Project:

As we have previously reported, one of the key tasks for the high-Water Project is to gain approval for the use of Ditch 41 in Todd County for the pumping project. A formal request for the petition to utilize Ditch 41 was submitted, an informational and two public hearings were held to provide information on the high-water project, that showed that the ditch has capacity for the water from the project. The high-water project has received over 50 signatures from Todd County landowners to show support for the project.

We are pleased to announce that on September 14, 2021, the Todd County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Ditch Authority, approved the petition from the LID for the use of Ditch 41. The Order for Authorizing the Use of the Ditch as an Outlet is still in process, and we anticipate finalization in the near future.

Once the Order is signed, next steps in the high-water outlet project include:

- Houston Engineering will be working to develop construction plans to include designs of key project features including hydraulic features, AIS filtration, forcemain pipe and outlet, drainage system and lake inlet. Houston will also explore cost savings and will provide an updated cost and documentation report.
- Seeking approval and permits from key agencies such as the DNR, Soil and Water agencies, MN DOT, etc.

- Preparation and issuance of an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW).
- Other tasks include continued outreach with landowners, agencies and public.

Detailed information on LID activities and an updated schedule of next steps for the project will be included in a newsletter that will be sent out in the next weeks.

Thank you,

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