INFORMATIONAL MEETING NOTIFICATION

May 20th, 2021

System: Faribault and Blue Earth Counties Joint Judicial Ditch #9 Location: Blue Earth County – Mapleton Township Sections 31-33;

Sterling Township Sections 25, 36;

Faribault County – Delavan Township Sections 1, 12-13, 24;

Lura Township Sections 4-8, 17-20, 29-30

Dear Landowner:

There will be an informational meeting on **Monday**, **June 7**th, **2021 at 11:00 am at Johnny M's Tavern in Delavan** (100 S. Main St. Delavan, MN 56023) on Faribault and Blue Earth Counties Joint Judicial Ditch #9 (JD9FBE). The Drainage Authority ordered a redetermination of benefits and damages on the system and a system inspection was completed by drainage staff. Inspection of JD9FBE indicated several areas of the waterway have eroded causing the system to be deeper than the original construction and jeopardizing the integrity of the public tile under the waterway. The public tile under the waterway is in disrepair in several areas or no longer has cover over the tile. In order to proceed with the redetermination of benefits, the waterway system needs to be discussed and figure out next steps.

Landowners are encouraged to attend the meeting on June 7th, 2021 to discuss the condition of JD9FBE and options and landowner feedback on next steps for the system.

Due to the pandemic with COVID-19, landowners can join this meeting 1 of the following 3 ways.

- 1. In person at Johnny M's Tavern in Delavan (100 S. Main St. Delavan, MN 56023) *Map on Back
- 2. By phone/call-in
- 3. By Zoom (internet meeting)

Social distancing will be followed if attending in person. Face masks are required. Virtual attendance is encouraged. If you would like to join the meeting via Zoom you will need a computer, internet, microphone, and speakers. If you do not have a microphone built into your computer, you can call in as well to be able to hear and talk. If you would like to join via Zoom and/or phone/call-in, please contact one of the following by Friday, June 4th for information needed.

County Drainage Department	Phone Number	Email
Blue Earth County	507-304-4251	Craig.Austinson@blueearthcountymn.gov
Faribault County	507-526-2388	sara.hauskins@co.faribault.mn.us

At the informational meeting, staff will present information about the condition of the system. The Joint Drainage Authority legal counsel will present options for the system. Staff and legal counsel will be available for questions. Public input and landowner feedback is encouraged at the meeting. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Blue Earth County Drainage Department at 507-304-4251 or the Faribault County Drainage Department at 507-526-2388.

Sincerely,

Faribault & Blue Earth County Drainage Departments



