



January 27, 2017

PUBLIC UPDATE OF SEWER PROJECT

Your Sewer Board and Project Manager has been very busy over the last few months. Below is an update of the progress to date:

1. The community income study has been completed. We did qualify for low income requirements that allow us to borrow money from the funding agencies at the lowest interest rate as well as allow us to receive grants in the amount of \$1,500,000.
2. The environmental study was completed. The results showed that there is significant contamination of raw sewage in the ground around town and in the Little Deschutes River as well as high levels of nitrates. These levels exceed the Environmental Protection Agencies allowance. The contamination has not affected our drinking water since it comes from deep wells around town. Our drinking water is safe to use.
3. We held a One-Stop meeting with the funding agencies. We have completed the applications for the funding of the project. Supporting documentation has been submitted. We hope to hear about the approval of funds by July 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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