



Heart of the Valley
METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT

Installation in River at Riverside Park in Kaukauna *Preparing for the Interceptor Rehabilitation Project*

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(Kaukauna, Wis.) – As spring approaches, preparations are underway for the [Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District's](#) (HOVMSD) Interceptor Rehabilitation Project. One of the early steps taking place today is the installation of a yellow, 70-foot turbidity barrier along the Fox River in Riverside Park to meet DNR requirements.

The barrier will prevent the migration of sediment within the river. In the coming weeks, contractors will also be reinforcing a portion of shoreline inside Riverside Park in order to launch a barge that will be used to complete the rehabilitation project. The public boat launch inside Riverside Park and a portion of the parking lot will remain accessible to park patrons throughout the project.

HOVMSD will be providing project updates on its website at <https://hvmsd.org>, to local media and to member communities for use in their social media and other communications. Residents are encouraged to contact the project team with questions or concerns throughout the duration of the project at interceptor.feedback@hvmsd.org or (833) 468-6730.

The Interceptor Rehabilitation Project is addressing corrosion occurring in the 5.5-mile concrete pipe that carries wastewater from nearly 60,000 residents to the HOVMSD treatment plant located in Kaukauna. The pipe was originally installed in 1977. By addressing the corrosion of the pipe now, before more widespread damage occurs, the district will avoid a more costly repair or replacement at a later date and will prolong the useful life of the pipe by an estimated 50 years for current and future community members.

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*Established in 1974, the **Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District** provides cost-effective wastewater collection and treatment for its member communities while protecting public health, safety and the quality of the environment. Member communities include the city of Kaukauna, the Villages of Little Chute, Kimberly and Combined Locks, and the Darboy Sanitary District.*

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