

Contract awarded for Heart of the Valley interceptor rehabilitation project

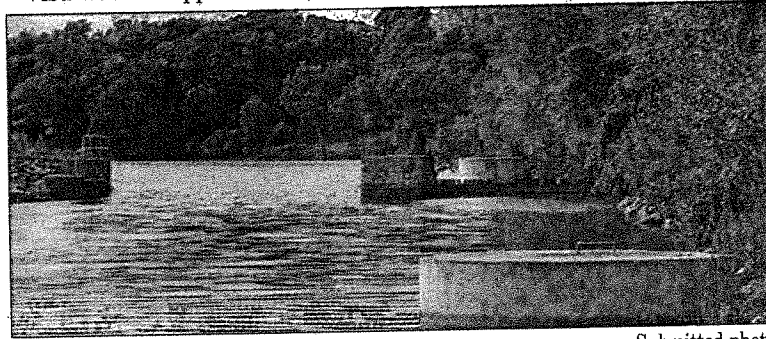
The Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District's interceptor rehabilitation project continues to move forward, with a contract awarded for the project. Two bids were received and carefully reviewed. The commission awarded a contract to Visu-Sewer, Inc. of Pewaukee during its Tuesday, Aug. 8 meeting. Strategic Municipal Services assisted HOVMSD with the bid review.

Visu was the apparent low, most

responsive bidder. Their bid was \$18,148,027. Logistical coordination with the member communities, Visu and SMS will now begin. Visu's proposed preliminary schedule will rehabilitate most of the system in 2024. The project is scheduled for completion during 2025.

"We're very pleased to be able to move this essential project forward," said Brian Helminger, HOVMSD district director. "We look forward

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to working with Visu-Sewer to rehabilitate this critical piece of infrastructure. The investment will protect the system for years to come."

During a video inspection, surface corrosion was discovered in a 5.5-mile concrete pipe that carries wastewater from nearly 60,000 residents to the HOVMSD treatment plant located in Kaukauna along the Fox River. The pipe was origi-

nally installed in 1977. By addressing the corrosion of the pipe now, 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.

HOVMSD is planning community outreach efforts in the areas directly affected by the project. "Our goal is to share as much information as possible, so residents are prepared and know what is happening and when," added Helminger. More

information about the project is available at hvmmsd.org.

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.