

March 11, 2011

**BAXTER ROAD**  
**Saint Louis County Project No. AR-856**

**Project Notification Letter**

Dear Resident,

Saint Louis County Department of Highways & Traffic would like to advise you that a contract for the improvement of 1.4 miles of Baxter Road from Claymont Estates Drive to Heathercroft Drive has been awarded to Pace Construction Company, Inc.

The Baxter Road project breaks down into two main areas of construction. The first section which starts at the intersection of Claymont Estates and continues north to Summer Field Drive calls for full width reconstruction of approximately 1.0 miles of roadway. The improvements will provide for three lanes of traffic (one northbound, one southbound, and a two-way continuous left turn lane), enclosed storm drainage, five (5) foot wide concrete sidewalks on both sides of the roadway, box culvert replacement, traffic signals, along with various side street reconstruction and other incidental items. The second section runs from Summer Field Drive to Heathercroft Drive and provides for the construction 0.4 miles of new five (5) foot wide concrete sidewalk.

After completion of the construction work the contractor will backfill and sod all disturbed areas of your property with bluegrass or zoysia sod, depending on the existing ground cover. Generally, sod will not be placed between June 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> or during drought conditions.

The length of the construction period is a concern to most people. Unfortunately, the complexity of the construction work combined with the utility relocations required and the unpredictable weather in the St. Louis region will dictate the length of time needed to complete the project. The contractors work is scheduled to begin in March 2011 and the project is anticipated to remain under construction until December 2012. Except for the following Baxter Road will remain open to two way traffic during construction. There will be a period of approximately ninety (90) days when the contractor will be allowed to close Baxter Road from Isleview Drive to Country Ridge Drive for the removal and replacement of the box culvert. We anticipate this closure to take place late next spring into early summer 2012. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause but it is critical to the construction of the box culvert achieving overall project completion in a timely manner.

Utility relocations for Laclede Gas, Missouri American Water Company, AmerenUE and AT&T will start soon while the relocation work for Charter Communications will start at the completion of AmerenUE's work.

Emergency vehicles such as police, fire, and ambulance will be notified about the construction work, allowing these agencies to plan in advance of an emergency in your neighborhood. The Parkway School District will also be notified of the work scheduled along Baxter Road.

If you have a property corner, a lawn sprinkler, or any other improvements located within the work zone, we ask that you identify and bring them to our attention.

We will have a Resident Engineer on the project that will be available to respond to your inquiries. Please feel free to contact Mr. Paul Sneed at 314-574-6133 or [psneed@stlouisco.com](mailto:psneed@stlouisco.com). You may also contact Mr. Russell Leach, Assistant Construction Division Manager, at (314) 615-1167. After normal working hours (Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM) a voice mail may be left at these numbers. Pace Construction has designated Mr. Jeff Lacey as their Project Engineer and he may be contacted at 314-220-5698 or [jlacey@lionmark.com](mailto:jlacey@lionmark.com). If there is an emergency outside normal working hours (Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM) you may contact the Saint Louis County Police Dispatcher at 314-889-2341.

A monthly update letter will be prepared by our Resident Engineer and posted on our Website at ([ww5.stlouisco.com/scripts/highways/attachment/index.cfm](http://ww5.stlouisco.com/scripts/highways/attachment/index.cfm)) to keep citizens informed of the progress of the project.

We appreciate your patience and heightened defensive driving effort during the project and apologize again for any inconvenience. Remember, construction areas can be dangerous. If you have children, please caution them to stay away from the work areas at all times.

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