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October 5, 2011

Mr. Karl Frankena  
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RE: Sugar Creek Extension County Drain  
project, Timber Ridge Subdivision inclusion  
in drainage district

Dear Mr. Frankena:

Thank you for your recent inquiry regarding the status of the Sugar Creek Extension drainage district delineation review. Our office has investigated the matter in response to the homeowner association's request and has reached a conclusion regarding Timber Ridge's inclusion in the district.

After reviewing the latest topographic information (two foot elevation contour lines) and conducting a thorough site inspection encompassing the Timber Ridge Subdivision, we have confirmed the existence of an operational storm water management system that appears to be detaining storm water run-off in some fashion using a basin and multi-staged outlet structure. The outlet locations and freely releasing areas of the site are being generally directed to the south and east, where we were able to trace a direct route to the Sugar Creek Extension Drain through the open fields/wooded areas and under the railroad line located to the east of the site.

We are confident that the Timber Ridge site is properly included within the Sugar Creek Extension Drainage District, but the Water Resources Commissioner (Janis Bobrin) has expressed a willingness to consider the existence of the storm water detention system as a mitigating factor in determining the final assessment assigned to the properties located within the Timber Ridge Subdivision. This may mean a reduction in the land use multiplier used to determine the assessment rolls and consequently a smaller portion of the project costs assigned to the land owners within the development.

Please note that if you wish to contest this decision, a further opportunity to officially appeal the site's inclusion in the drainage district will be afforded in association with the day of review. Land owners will be notified of the date/place of this day once we have received construction bids for the project and have a reasonable estimation of final costs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Miller".

Scott Miller, P.E.  
Storm Water Engineer  
(projects\timber ridge district review)

Cc: Timber Ridge Homeowner Association, 60 Timber Ridge Court, Milan, MI, 48160

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September 15, 2011

Ms. Janis A. Bobrin  
Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner  
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RE: Sugar Creek Extension County Drain

Dear Ms. Bobrin:

I am writing you this letter in my capacity as attorney for the Board of Directors of the York Timber Ridge Association which administers the Timber Ridge subdivision which is located on the north side of Judd Road in the extreme north end of the above Drainage District.

I have been advised by the Board of Directors that at least the north end of the Drainage District has not been reviewed or re-mapped since the 1950's when it was largely farm land, and that perhaps your office should revisit it to look at the existing storm water drainage conditions. This is due to the fact that the developer of the subdivision created its own storm water management plan in 1998 with York Township and Washtenaw County Road Commission recommendations in order to deal with storm water run-off.

It is my understanding that The Board of Directors of the Association has recently discussed this matter with one of your staff members and believes that your office will conduct an onsite review of the community drainage plan within the Timber Ridge subdivision in order to determine if the request made by the Association to have property owned by its members from the Sugar Creek Extension County Drainage District.

I would request that I be added to your correspondence distribution list with regard to the above drain and that you also add the York Township Timber Ridge Association at 60 Timber Ridge Court, Milan, Michigan 48160 to your correspondence distribution list.

Thank you very much for reviewing this matter and please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Karl R. Frankena

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CC: York Timber Ridge Association (by email)

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*Day of Review* 11

IN THE MATTER OF: SUGAR CREEK EXTENSION DRAIN

York Township

Augusta Township

City of Milan

A public meeting will be held immediately following the Reconvened Board of Determination Hearing to discuss the Sugar Creek Extension Drain Petition project. The engineers for the project, Washtenaw County Road Commission (WCRC), have completed their investigation and report. Representatives of the WCRC will be present to discuss their findings and the proposed scope of the project. The purpose of the meeting is to receive input from property owners impacted by this project. All persons owning lands that may be assessed or whose lands may be affected by the drain, or any affected district or municipality will have an opportunity to speak at this meeting.



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IN THE MATTER OF:

SUGAR CREEK EXTENSION COUNTY DRAIN

NOTICE OF RECONVENED MEETING OF BOARD OF DETERMINATION

*Notice Is Hereby Given* to you as a person potentially liable for an assessment that a reconvened Board of Determination, composed of Steven Solowczuk, James Dries and Jerry Hancock, will meet pursuant to Section 197 of Act No. 40 of P.A. 1956, as amended, on **Wednesday the 7th of September, 2011**, at **7:00** in the evening, at **Milhan Free Methodist Church, 950 Arkona Rd., Milian, Michigan, 48160**, to hear all interested persons in the proposed added area to determine the necessity of adding lands to the drainage district number 8291, known as Sugar Creek Extension Drain, as a result of the Petition submitted to the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner dated the 4th of November, 2009, which was found necessary and conducive to public health, convenience or welfare for properties and residents of York Township, Augusta Township and City of Milian in accordance with Sections 72 and 191 of Act No. 40, P.A. 1956, as amended, and the protection of public health in the Municipalities of York Township, Augusta Township and City of Milian, by a Board of Determination held on March 11, 2010.

All persons owning lands that may be assessed or whose lands shall be crossed by the drain, or any affected district or municipality will have an opportunity to speak at this hearing. **The Board will determine whether the adding of lands to the district is either necessary or unnecessary** based on inspection of the drainage area and testimony received at the hearing. If you cannot personally attend the hearing and wish to comment, please send written testimony to the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner at the address shown below. Your written testimony will be presented to the Board at the hearing.

Please note that the decision of the Board of Determination is final and subject only to appeal to the Washtenaw County Circuit Court. The Michigan Drain Code (Act 40 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended) provides that any person disagreeing with the Board's decision may file an appeal with the Washtenaw County Circuit Court within 10 days after the Board's decision. If the drain project requested in the petition is determined to be necessary and conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, a special assessment may be levied against properties that benefit from the drainage project.

The County of Washtenaw will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon 7 days notice to the County of Washtenaw. Individuals with special needs requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the County of Washtenaw by writing or calling the following: Washtenaw County Human Resources, 220 North Main Street, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107; (734) 222-6800 Ext. 0 or TDD (734) 994-1733.

**You Are Further Notified**, that persons aggrieved by the decisions of the Board of Determination may seek judicial review in the Circuit Court for the County of Washtenaw within ten (10) days of the determination.

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Office of the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, MI 48107; (734) 222-6860.

Dated: 24 August 2011

Janis A. Bobrin  
Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner

**Sugar Creek Extension Drainage District**

SECTIONS 19, 29, 30, 31, 32  
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

SECTIONS 10, 11, 14, 15,  
22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27,  
28, 34, 36  
YORK TOWNSHIP

SECTIONS 26, 35  
CITY OF MILAN





WASHTENAW COUNTY  
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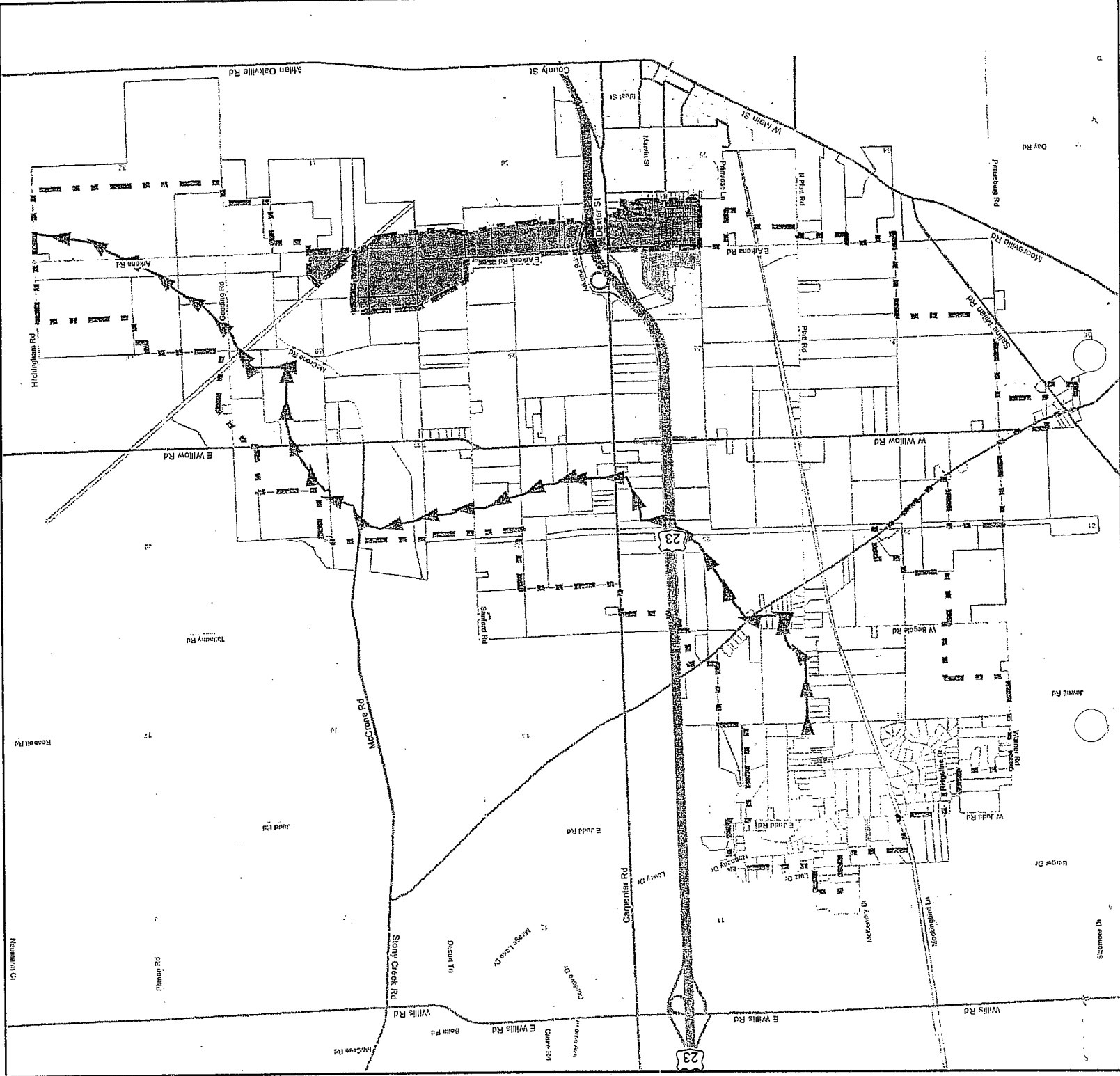
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1 inch equals 0.7 miles

**Legend**

-  Sugar Creek Extension Drain
-  Lands To Be Added
-  Sugar Creek Extension District
-  Parcels





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