

Update from Delaware Engineering: July 1, 2020

Due to the recent rain, Covid 19 risks, and other Bast Hatfield related delays, the contractor will not be finished until next week, July 9th, 2020. The remaining restoration work includes some small areas of sidewalk replacements and landscape plantings.

However, this new completion date does not mean that Bast Hatfield is being released from their contractual obligations to establish acceptable lawn restorations at all properties affected by the Water and Storm Sewer Projects. This work will be scheduled for a later date and the schedule for this work will be sent forward once we have a solid plan. For the lawn restorations, Bast Hatfield has now hired a subcontractor that specializes in lawn renewals to analyze lawns in the project area and then prepare a plan that should establish hearty, healthy, acceptable turf. The lawn restoration plan will include the removal of weeds that have grown where lawns should be. Delaware Engineering will review the proposed plan and respond accordingly.

To help ease concerns a bit we would like everyone to know that from an engineering perspective, Delaware has taken composite samples of the soils that were placed by Bast Hatfield. These samples were taken from all streets in the project area. The samples were collected a few weeks ago and were submitted to a laboratory for analysis. Prior to Delaware commenting on Bast Hatfield's subcontractor's plan for recreating turf, we will examine the data from the topsoil analysis in an effort to help determine the best path forward. Unfortunately, again due to Corona 19, the soil laboratory's work log is backed up so we are still awaiting the soils analysis.

We will provide additional information as soon as we have a solid plan for the final portions of lawn restorations.

Hope you all of the residents of McKownville are well and have a safe, healthy and enjoyable holiday weekend.

Best regards, Biagio.

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