



Date

Name

Address

City State Zip

Re: Update: Water and Wastewater System Improvements/Expansion Projects
Property: _____, La Pine, Oregon 97739

Dear _____:

You are receiving this letter because Deschutes County property records indicate that you are the owner of the above-referenced property (the "Property"). This letter concerns the City of La Pine ("City") water and wastewater systems improvement project (the "Project").

***Project update.**

As part of the Project, City will be completing certain improvements to extend City water and wastewater services to residents in the Cagle and Glenwood Acres neighborhoods. To do this, City must design all City-owned infrastructure (e.g., water mains, sewer mains, and City-owned septic tanks) within City right-of-way and on private properties. City is finalizing design efforts in these neighborhoods and preparing to start the construction bid process. In connection with completing the design phase, City needs to relocate septic tanks onto private properties. City's previous plan designed the tanks to be placed in City right-of-way. However, the La Pine City Council determined that it is in the best interests of City and City's citizens to locate tanks on private property, freeing City right-of-way for future street improvements.

***City desires to provide crucial water and wastewater services at no cost to existing residents.**

Typical public improvement and expansion projects usually require customers pay fees when connecting to City water and wastewater systems. These charges are commonly called system development charges ("SDC(s)"). Anticipated SDCs for a residence at the time of Project completion are approximately \$10,534. There are additional fees associated with connecting pipes and installing required infrastructure (such as septic tanks, plumbing for water and sewer, water meters, and backflow equipment). These fees can range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. **These costs have been included in the Project costs.** City is prepared to pay such costs and allow you to take advantage of potential savings of \$15,000 to \$20,000, but first needs a temporary construction easement over the Property to complete the installation and connection work described above.

***Enclosed with this letter you will find the following:**

- Temporary Construction Easement (Updated). Please sign and return the enclosed temporary construction easement. The temporary construction easement contains a general depiction of where construction work will occur. Please note this is only a general depiction and not specific to the Property. Upon completion of the work on the Property, City will need a permanent easement (not included with this letter) to maintain and repair the water and wastewater improvements.
- City of La Pine Notice of Voluntary Acquisition and Non-Displacement. This notice contains important information required under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.

If you have any questions regarding the Project of this letter, please feel free to contact Jake Obrist, Public Works Manager, by phone at (541) 536-1432 or by email at jobrist@lapineoregon.gov. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.