# **CITY OF FORT WAYNE CITY UTILITIES**

# **Hopewood Addition**

## **Septic Elimination Project Overview**

City Utilities is working to eliminate failing septic systems in the city, by making connections to the public sanitary sewer system available for these properties.

### The Problem

Septic systems have a limited life and eventually fail. In addition, the soil types in Allen County are poor for septic waste absorption. As a result, human waste leaches into groundwater, backyards and neighborhood ditches and streams. Failing septic systems are linked to unsafe levels of *E. coli* in many neighborhood streams and ditches.

### The Solution

To address health hazards in our neighborhoods, the Septic Elimination Program (SEP) was implemented to convert many neighborhoods on septic systems to public sanitary sewer service. Neighborhoods with higher septic system failure rates are the priority of our program.

This project will bring sewers to approximately 5 homes by May 2013. This will address approximately 1% of the 500 homes still on septic systems in Fort Wayne.

Approximately 5 properties are part of the Hopewood Addition project. This project will include removing an existing cleanout and setting a new Manhole 1 located at the Southeast corner of Lot 5 in Mill Creek Villas, also known as 9534 Mound Creek Cove; thence Northeast, within a proposed 20 foot sanitary easement, 215± L.F. of 8" PVC SDR 35 pipe to Manhole 2; thence East 400± L.F. to Manhole 3 and terminating said Sanitary Sewer Main.

### **Project Status**

**Project Status:** Completed

Construction Period: Completed Estimated Project Costs: \$37,161

Approximate # of Properties in the Project: 5

Cost per Property: \$9,290.21

**Project Benefits:** 

- Improved quality of life; worry free use of home facilities
- Reduced maintenance worries
- Improved environmental and health conditions for homes and neighborhoods
- Greater protection for well water, streams and drainage ditches
- Homes possibly become more marketable

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Project Schedules And Costs May Be Subject To Change.