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Look Ahead - Week of September 17 to September 23

Executive Summary

The project is currently tracking slightly ahead of schedule and on budget.

The contractor will complete the Geothermal Well installation and continues with the installation of the Support of Excavation system (see video). The excavation for the building foundation will start by the end of this month and be completed in mid-January 2018 when the bottom of the hole is reached.

Vacating the Mid-County Regional Services Center Building

The Mid-County Regional Services Center Building was vacated on August 31 and will be demolished as part of the planned plaza development south of Reedie Drive. In its place, an outdoor plaza including a terraced amphitheater, entertainment stage, fountain, and other outdoor amenities will be built. Building demolition is scheduled for early-October.

Service providers formally located in the Mid-County Regional Services Building have relocated as noted in the Special Bulletin.

Geothermal Drilling

The Geothermal drilling operation will be completed by September 20. Placing the UBends (Geothermal elements) and grouting will continue through the upcoming week and will finish on or before September 23.

Site Dewatering

Mass excavation and construction of the building foundation requires the lowering of the groundwater table, which is generally 35 feet below the existing ground surface. The dewatering process will temporarily lower the groundwater roughly 25 feet to allow for construction. Dewatering is currently underway and will continue over the next 22 months at which time it will restore to normal levels.
Installation of Support of Excavation System (SOE)

The contractor continues drilling and placing solider piles for the Support of Excavation System (see photo and video). Currently, two (2) large Soil Mec Drill Rigs are drilling 75 feet deep for installation of the steel solider piles (see video). The solider piles are an integral part of the Support of Excavation System.

Excess Soils Removal

The contractor continues to haul off excess soils generated from the drilling operations. Mass excavation will start in late-September.

Ongoing and Planned Activities:

- Wrap up drilling for Geothermal wells.
- Wrap up placing Geothermal elements and grouting boreholes.
- Continue drilling and placing solider piles for the Support of Excavation System.
- Testing and monitoring of groundwater will continue.
- Monitoring of the Support of Excavation System
- Installation of Inclinometer Stations is scheduled for this week.
First Row of Soldier Piles Installed - September 8, 2017

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