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November 18, 2022

To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension

Attached is a drain map and petition for the extension of the Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension. The proposed drain is located in Fall Creek Township.

To be extended is that portion of open drain known as Thorpe Creek from the north line of tract 13-12-31-00-00-004.000 owned by Elizabeth Collins and runs downstream in a generally southwesterly direction following the existing stream 1,083 feet to the south line of said tract.

This extension will consist of the following:

Open Ditch    1,083 feet

This extension is located on the following parcel:

Parcel	Owner
13-12-31-00-00-004.000	Elizabeth Collins

This tract is currently being assessed maintenance for Thorpe Creek.

Thorpe Creek Drain is classified as an urban drain per my report dated January 25, 2007.

The nature of maintenance work required is as follows:

1. Bank erosion protection and/or seeding as might be required.
2. Removal of debris and/or blockages from existing open drain.
3. Removal of beaver dams.
4. Any other repairs necessary to restore proper flow to the open ditch.

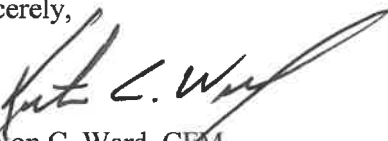
The frequency with which maintenance work should be performed is annually as required by the condition of the drain.

The easements for the drain should be set at 75' from top of bank as set out in IC 36-9-27-33.

I have made a personal inspection of the land described below. Upon doing so, I believe that the drain is practicable, will improve the public health, benefit a public highway and be of public utility and that the costs, damages, and expenses of the proposed drain will probably be less than the benefits accruing to the owners of land likely to be benefited.

The project falls under the requirements as set out in IC 36-9-27-52.0. Therefore, a hearing is required for the petition. I recommend that the Board set a hearing date for January 23, 2023.

Sincerely,



Kenton C. Ward, CFM  
Hamilton County Surveyor

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To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: In the matter of the Thorpe Creek Drain Petition

Comes now the undersigned individuals, who petition the Hamilton County Drainage Board, per IC 36-9-27-54, for a new regulated drain. The undersigned believe the following:

- 1. They are owners of ten percent (10%) in acreage; or twenty five percent (25%) or more of the assessed valuation of the land that is outside the corporate boundaries of a municipality and is alleged by the petition to be affected by the proposed drain.
2. That as property owners within the drainage shed, they are qualified petitioners.
3. That they now desire that a regulated drain be established in Fall Creek Township, which involves the following public roads; Florida Road, beginning at its intersection with Southeastern Parkway and extending south approximately 660 feet and various areas surrounding these roads in the drainage shed.
4. The names and address of each owner affected by the proposed public drainage are attached hereto, made a part hereof, and marked Exhibit "A", which area of land involved in the proposed drainage area is located in section 31, township 18 north, range 6 east, Hamilton County, Indiana.
5. No other public lands or owners are located in the area which would affect improvement.
6. That the general route of the proposed drain is shown in the attached plan which is marked Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof.
7. That in the opinion of the Petitioner, the costs, damages, and expenses of the proposed improvement will be less than the benefits which will result to the owners of the land to be benefited thereby.
8. That in the opinion of the Petitioner, the proposed improvement will improve the public health; benefit a public highway; and be of public utility.
9. That the name of the attorney or spokesman representing petitioner in the drainage petition is Jim Pence, who has an office at or whose address is 10505 N. College Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46280, phone 317-846-6611.
10. That Petitioners shall pay all the cost of notice and all legal costs if the petition is dismissed. These costs include but are not limited to engineering, appraisals, surveying and other costs associated with the proposed drain.
11. Petitioners shall post a bond, if required, to pay the cost of notice and all legal costs in the case the improvement is not established. These costs include but are not limited to engineering, appraisals, surveying and other costs associated with the proposed drain.

Signature Printed Name Printed Address
Elizabeth Collins Elizabeth Collins 12301 Florida Road, Fortville, IN 46040

STATE OF INDIANA     )  
                              ) ss:  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY  
DRAINAGE BOARD  
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
RECONSTRUCTION OF THE  
**Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension**

FINDINGS AND ORDER FOR RECONSTRUCTION

The matter of the proposed Reconstruction of the **Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension** came before the Hamilton County Drainage Board for hearing **on January 23, 2023**, on the Reconstruction Report consisting of the report and the Schedule of Damages and Assessments. The Board also received and considered the written objection of an owner of certain lands affected by the proposed Reconstruction, said owner being:

Evidence was heard on the Reconstruction Report and on the aforementioned objections.

The Board, having considered the evidence and objections, and, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, did find and determine that the costs, damages and expenses of the proposed Reconstruction will be less than the benefits accruing to the owners of all land benefited by the Reconstruction.

The Board having considered the evidence and objections, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, did adopt the Schedule of Assessments as proposed, subject to amendment after inspection of the subject drain as it relates to the lands of any owners which may have been erroneously included or omitted from the Schedule of Assessments.

The Board further finds that it has jurisdiction of these proceedings and that all required notices have been duly given or published as required by law.

Wherefore, it is ORDERED, that the proposed Reconstruction of the **Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension** be and is hereby declared established.

Thereafter, the Board made inspection for the purpose of determining whether or not the lands of any owners had been erroneously included or excluded from the Schedule of Assessments. The Board finds on the basis of the reports and findings at this hearing as follows:


HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

  
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PRESIDENT

  
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Member

  
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Member

ATTEST:

  
Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF

***Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension***

NOTICE

To Whom It May Concern and: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board concerning the reconstruction of the **Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins Extension** on **January 23, 2023** at **9:00 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments proposed by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh

ONE TIME ONLY

STATE OF INDIANA     )  
                              ) SS               BEFORE THE HAMILTON  
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COUNTY OF HAMILTON )               DRAINAGE BOARD

**IN THE MATTER OF Thorpe Creek Drainage Area, Collins  
Extension**

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Drainage Board at its regular meeting **January 23, 2023** adopted the reconstruction report of the Surveyor and the Amended Schedule of damages and assessments including annual assessment for periodic maintenance, finding that the costs, damages and expense of the proposed improvement would be less than the benefits which will result to the owner of lands benefited thereby.

The Board issued an order declaring the proposed improvement established. Such findings and order were marked filed and are available for inspection in the Office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article VIII of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code as amended within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this notice, the findings and order shall become conclusive.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

BY: Mark Heirbrandt  
PRESIDENT

ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh  
SECRETARY