

June 2, 2020

**Subject: Update on Trillium Park Drive Landslide and Continued Closure**

Dear Trillium Park Drive Area Resident:

On February 20, 2020, Oregon City staff met with community residents who live along Canyon Court, Trillium Park, and Swordfern Court and other areas within the Trillium Park Estate Homeowners Association. This meeting was another community update meeting to discuss the slide section along Trillium Park Drive as well as the abandoned home at 13776 Canyon Court.

Since that time, Oregon City has awarded a design contract to RH2 Engineering to move forward with the design and bid documents for the relocation of the sewer line located in Trillium Park Drive. It has been determined that this project is most feasible if completed in two phases. Phase 1 will involve relocation of the damaged sewer out of the slide zone. Phase 2 will provide landslide mitigation and roadway restoration. We are pushing to complete the Phase 1 work before another wet winter in 2020, however, City Code limits the work window inside a geologic hazard area to October 31. If sufficient time is not available to bid and construct the project, we will begin construction in May of 2021. Phase 2, while a priority for the City, is also a much more costly project and the funding available for this kind of a project is allocated for other projects further along in the queue.

I am pleased to notify you that Phase 1 is underway. John Burrell is the Project Manager working on this project. If you have any questions about this project, you may contact him at 503-496-1556 or [jburrell@orc.org](mailto:jburrell@orc.org). You may also refer to our website at <https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/trillium-park-drive-landslide-activities-oregon-city> (or search the City's website for Trillium Park Drive) to see additional information about the project.

With regard to slide monitoring, staff continues to work toward detecting and documenting any additional slide activity to date through regular monitoring of the four inclinometers (equipment that measures magnitude, rate and direction of landslide movement) and four piezometers (measures ground water level within the slide zone). There has been no additional slide activity within the area.

In addition to this sanitary repair/relocation, the City continues legal remedies with the property owners of 13776 Canyon Court. Contact efforts to reach these property owners have been unsuccessful. In the settlement agreement and mutual release between the City

June 2, 2020

Page 2

and property owners, they agreed to demolish and remove the wood frame house and structural improvements down to the foundation. Upon completion of this work, they also agreed to deed the property to Oregon City, and they would have no further interest or obligations related to the property.

This demolition effort was included in the 2018 agreement and must occur before the City can complete the demolition of the foundation and regrading of the property. City attempts to contact these property owners are ongoing and will continue until resolved.

If you would like to discuss this issue further, you can best reach me via email or phone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John M. Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent.

John M. Lewis, P.E.  
Public Works Director  
[jmlewis@orcitey.org](mailto:jmlewis@orcitey.org)  
503-496-1545