



City Of Raleigh

NORTH CAROLINA

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Greetings Resident,

I would like to provide you an update on the City of Raleigh's Simmons Branch Phase 2 project.

But first, I would like to introduce myself as the new Project Manager for the remainder of this project. I have a lot of direct knowledge of the Simmons Branch Phase 1 design, and I look forward to completing Phase 2. My background is in Capital Improvement Program (CIP) retrofit projects within residential neighborhoods. I understand the impacts that these projects pose to the residents, and my aim to is minimize these impacts as much as possible. Veronica High is now the Stormwater Infrastructure Project Manager and oversees all City Stormwater CIP projects. She will remain involved; however, she has tasked me with the day to day project management for Simmons Branch Phase 2.

I realize that time has passed without obvious signs of progress. While certain tasks did take longer than anticipated, progress is being made, and I appreciate your patience and support as the City works towards finalizing the construction documents for the proposed improvements.

The City has finalized easement negotiations and private utility design and coordination efforts. You may have already seen increased activity in the neighborhood from private utility contractors and their surveyors. While the majority of the design is complete, I have been working with the consultant to finalize the design plans and construction documents.

Simmons Branch Phase 2 is a complex project with a long history. I believe that my best service to residents is to ensure that the proposed design can be constructed in the most efficient manner. I would like to ensure that the final design simplifies the construction process to help minimize impacts and overall construction time. I am working with the consulting Engineer to ensure the proposed design will allow for a cost effective and simple construction process. My goal is to have the construction documents complete and bid this project by the beginning of spring 2016.

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I hope you have found this letter helpful, and I will continue to keep you updated. Should you or your neighbors have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by phone at (919) 996-4074 or by email at Robert.Normandy@raleighnc.gov. I have also included my card for your reference. If you would prefer to receive email updates instead of a mailed letter please feel free to send me an email indicating your preference. The City also maintains a project website for the Simmons Branch Phase 2 project that can be found at: <http://www.raleighnc.gov/projects/content/PWksStormwater/Articles/SimmonsBranchImprovPh2.html>

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R. Normandy". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font. Below the signature, there is a faint, light blue watermark that appears to say "CITY OF RALEIGH" and "PUBLIC WORKS".

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