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To: Property owners along the Ribe Drain
From: Brenda M. Moore, Muskegon County Drain Commissioner
RE: Upcoming drain project
Cc: Dalton Township Supervisor

Hello. This is a note to let property owners along the Ribe Drain know that we will be starting work soon on the drain- see map for drain route. The drain begins at East Twin Lake and terminates into the main branch of Bear Creek. Project work includes:

- Replacement of the Bard, Pillon and Michillinda road culverts. The County Road Commission will be cost sharing on the Bard and Pillon culverts.
- Replacement of several private culverts that restrict water flow and fish passage.
- Sediment removal in select areas of the stream (we are NOT digging in the entire route).
- In-stream grade controls (e.g., rock riffles and cross-veins) to prevent flood surge damage.
- Bank stabilization with rock and coconut logs to prevent excessive erosion and sediment deposition, which carries pollutants, inhibits drainage, and smothers stream life.



The primary contractor is McCormick Sand.

Jackson Merkey will be replacing the culvert underneath the railroad line. The consulting engineer is Ryan McEnhill, VP, Eng. Inc. We will be walking segments of the drain with the engineer and contractor as we work. If anyone would like a site visit to discuss what we are doing, please let me know.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call our office at 724-6219.