

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES  
COUNTY OF GOOCHLAND  
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March 1, 2024

Project: Huguenot Hills Public Sewer and Water Service Project

RE: Customer Sewer System Connections

Dear Property Owner:

With the water and sewer system project in your neighborhood now under construction, we wanted to reach out to you regarding service connections to the new public sewer system. Since the new neighborhood sewer system is a low-pressure sewer system (LPSS), individual grinder pump units are required for each customer's connection to the system. As stated in previous correspondence and community meetings, the county will provide and install these units for existing neighborhood residents who choose to connect as part of this project. However, please know that there is no sewer connection requirement for this project and that the public system will be available for future connections should you choose to connect at a later time.

Below is an overview of the connection process, associated costs, and anticipated timeframe for public sewer connections.

*Information for residents choosing to connect to public sewer as part of this project:*

1. General information:
  - a. **County Scope of Work** – the county will provide and install one E/One grinder pump system along with the connection from the grinder pump system to the public sewer system. The location of the pump system will be chosen in collaboration with the property owner and representatives of the project engineering team during an on-site meeting prior to installation.
  - b. **Property Owner Scope of Work** – the property owner will be responsible for the sewer connection from the home to the grinder pump system, and for the electrical connection from the home to the grinder pump system. Property owners may hire plumbers and electricians of their choice to complete this work. One option in close proximity to the neighborhood is Lane Homes & Remodeling, located at the entrance to Ville Ponteaux Lane and Rochelle Road, who are willing to provide estimates to property owners for this work upon request. If you would like an estimate from Lane Homes & Remodeling, they may be contacted on their website at <https://lanebuilt.com/contact-us/> or at (804) 784-0012.

- c. **Anticipated Timeline** – since individual sewer connections are contingent on construction completion of the public sewer system in your neighborhood, we anticipate connections to be available later this fall, 2024. In the meantime, we will be developing the county’s scope of work for contractor bidding and are requesting property owners who choose to connect as part of this project to submit a *Sewer Connection Interest Form* by April 1, 2024. Knowing the number of connections and grinder pump systems the county will need to provide for current residents is vital information needed to accurately bid this work, so we appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this deadline. Once we receive your *Sewer Connection Interest Form*, a representative of the project engineering team will contact you to arrange a site meeting to determine the future location of the grinder pump system.
2. Please complete the *Sewer Connection Interest Form* attached to this letter and return it to our office using the enclosed return envelope by April 1, 2024. Alternatively, the completed form may be scanned and emailed to our office at [utilities@goochlandva.us](mailto:utilities@goochlandva.us).
3. **Connection Fees** – As mentioned in previous correspondence and community meetings, connection fees are required for all new sewer connections to the public system per county code. For this project, a connection fee of \$6,600 is required per connection. Additionally, the Board of Supervisors has agreed to finance this fee interest-free over a 10-year term for residents connecting as part of this project. Repayment details of this financing offer can be found on the enclosed *Sewer Connection Interest Form*. For residents electing to finance the connection fee, a completed, signed, and notarized Promissory Note must be submitted to our office in person, and we can provide a notary for you, free of charge, upon request. A copy of the Promissory Note is also enclosed with this letter.

*Information for residents choosing **not** to connect to public sewer as part of this project:*

- As mentioned above, connecting to the new public sewer system in your neighborhood is not a requirement of this project.
- If you choose not to connect as part of this project, please know that the new public sewer system will be available for future connections and that connection points will be installed for all existing residences to facilitate current and future connections. For residents who choose to connect at a later date, please note that the county will not provide the grinder pump system and service connection once this project is completed and project finances are closed.

- For residents not connecting to public sewer as part of this project, there is nothing further for you to do at this time.

As always, if you have any questions regarding this project or any of the information provided in this letter, please contact our office by phone at (804) 556-5835 or by email at [utilities@goochlandva.us](mailto:utilities@goochlandva.us) and we will be happy to discuss with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matt Longshore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Matt Longshore, PE  
Director of Public Utilities

Cc: Victor Carpenter, County Administrator  
Jonathan Lyle, District 5 Supervisor