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\*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTICE \*\*\*

SPECIAL MEETING FOR RESIDENTS OF SECTIONS ONE THROUGH FIVE

After four or five years of "hurry-up and wait," it appears that street and drainage improvements for Sections 1 through 5 of our community are on the threshold of passing from vision to reality. Cause for this hesitant jubility is a referendum we understand may be held in late October or early November. The referendum will permit registered voters of those sections whose homes are in the area covered by Sanitary District 8 to vote on a bond issue to pay for the improvements.

To help residents preparing to vote in the referendum understand better the issues involved, a special meeting of the Citizens Association is scheduled for 3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT PINMIT HILLS SCHOOL. While the meeting will be principally for residents of Sections 1 through 5, others interested are also welcome.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to go over tentative construction plans for the project and to hear an announcement of the tax program which would support the bond issue. Mr. Edward L. Kipp, Director of the County's Department of Public Works is expected to present the construction plans, and Mr. James H. Whytock of Pinmit Hills will describe the tax program.

We have insisted on the best in the preparation of the preliminary plan for the facilities. The engineers have designed the system to meet a very high standard—using, for example, a 13-year cycle in determining the size of storm drainage facilities needed. The plans were also reviewed by the Department of Public Works.

Despite these precautions, however, there may still be problem areas with which the engineers and county officials are not fully familiar. In these instances, the best informed person is you,

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the individual resident who knows his property, its problems and needs, through personal observation and experience. There may be little opportunity in the future to correct deficiencies in the system overlooked now. It is, therefore, imperative that each of us affected by the improvements attend this meeting, review the plans critically, and inform Mr. Kipp of probable trouble spots, so that he may insure against them in the final design.

In the event you haven't followed the progress of this project or, over the years, have forgotten, the improvements will include the installation of curbs, gutters, and storm drainage, and widening of streets. The bond issue will provide the immediate capital necessary to buy the improvements. The cost of the bonds, plus interest, must be paid off through increased real estate taxes by the homeowners who receive the improvements. Contingent upon approval of the bond issue in the referendum, the following steps must be completed before actual construction may start:

1. final engineering and preparation of specifications;
2. preparation and sale of bonds; and
3. advertising and taking of bids, and allotment of contract.

Commenting on the project recently, Mr. Whytock stated that, while it would be inadvisable for us to hold our breath that long-construction will not begin 'til the frost is out of the ground--he believes we are now heading for the finish.