



**Visual and Sound Mitigation Improvements
West Side of TH100
from Minnehaha Creek to Vernon Avenue**

May 1, 2013

Dear Resident:

On July 3, 2012 the Edina Sun Current reported that the noise wall along the west side of highway 100 from Minnehaha Creek to Vernon Avenue had moved up Mn/DOT's priority list from #20 to #5. That meant the wall was tentatively scheduled for installation in 2017.

Typically a noise wall along a Mn/DOT highway has a cost split of 90% Mn/DOT and 10% City. The 10% City cost is assessed back to the residents that receive benefit from the noise wall installation. We discussed with Mn/DOT the possibility of constructing the wall in 2013. Originally this was a possibility if the City funded the project in 2013 with Mn/DOT reimbursing the City in 2017.

Mn/DOT's future funding and priorities of noise walls are uncertain that far in advance. They were unwilling to guarantee payment for the project in 2017. Therefore until they are able to guarantee that funding will be available to reimburse the City, the project is on hold.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 952-826-0318 or cmillner@EdinaMN.gov or Director of Engineering Wayne Houle at 952-826-0443 or whoule@EdinaMN.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chad A. Millner".

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