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## **Dear Poplar Bay Residents**

It has been a very active summer with respect to the Wastewater Project. Through our discussions with residents we have reached the following conclusions:

- Relying solely on the website to update residents about the wastewater system is not working. As a result, we will be mailing all future updates regarding the wastewater system to residents' homes.
- 2. The majority of our residents support the wastewater system. However, the Alberta economy has had an impact on some residents and the costs to hook-up to the system are causing concern. We appreciate this concern and will continue to identify options that will assist residents with these costs.

Enclosed in this package you will find two important documents. The *Wastewater Questions* and *Answers* will provide you with the most up-to-date information with respect to the project. It is divided into sections so that you can quickly refer to the information that is of most interest to you.

The *On Lot Cost Estimating Model* is a tool that will help you determine what your hook-up costs may be given your unique property circumstances. We have included a hard copy for your use. However, if you would like the excel spreadsheet version, we can send it to you by email. Please contact the Summer Village Office at information@svofficepl.com to request a copy of the excel On Lot Cost Estimating Model.

As will be outlined in the Question and Answers document, significant cost savings can be achieved if residential hook-ups are completed at the time of local line construction. The Building Canada grants can be used to partially offset the cost of directional drilling to the holding tank. Qualified contractors will be on hand to install the pumps and complete all other aspects of the tie-in at a price that takes advantage of economies of scale. And, as we have already stated, we will continue to look for opportunities to reduce costs and make hook-up to the system less onerous.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact your Council members:

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