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Dear Southside Place Residents,

Today, we are sharing a brief update on the status of the Poor Farm Ditch Reconstruction project that will rehabilitate the channel's failing concrete lining between Bellaire Boulevard and University Boulevard and improve conveyance.

There has been much progress made behind the scenes in the year since the Harris County Flood Control District last presented its plans for Poor Farm Ditch to us at a public meeting. The project team considered feedback from our residents and conducted additional analysis. The City of Southside Place has continued to meet with the Harris County Flood Control District regularly to discuss careful modifications to the design plans. We are pleased to learn the modified design is in the final stages of completion.

This fall, the Flood Control District will host a Community Engagement Meeting to share the new design details and inform residents of the next steps on this project through construction. The public meeting is currently planned before the end of the year, and we will share invites and additional details in the coming weeks.

Between now and then, we will be reaching out to individual homeowners along Edloe about specific impacts to their properties. If you have particular concerns about your property and would like to schedule a meeting, please reach out to David Moss. We anticipate that these one-on-one meetings will take place over the next month to month and a half ahead of the public Community Engagement Meeting. We appreciate the patience of our community as we work with the Flood Control District to finalize this project. If you have any questions about the project timeline, please contact David Moss, City Manager, for the City of Southside Place at [citymgr@southsideplacetx.gov](mailto:citymgr@southsideplacetx.gov).

**For more project information, please see below.**

The Poor Farm Ditch Reconstruction project has been developed through combined efforts of the Harris County Flood Control District and the cities of Southside Place and West University Place. The project has a long history, and its implementation has always been contingent on funding support.

Today, this project is made possible through a combination of local, state, and federal dollars. This includes the Flood Control District's 2018 Bond Program as well as investments from the cities of Southside Place and West University Place, Representative Ann Johnson (HD-134), former state Senator John Whitmire (SD-15), Senator Joan Huffman (SD-17), and Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher.

You can read more about the project on the Flood Control District's [website](#).

Sincerely,

David Moss, City Manager