



February 23, 2022

The Honorable City Council
City of Wildwood, Missouri
16860 Main Street
Wildwood, Missouri 63040

Re: USGS Update – Field Work in Caulks Creek (**Wards – All**)

Council Members:

The team from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) began its initial field work in the City of Wildwood the week of February 14, 2022. Initial efforts of the team focused on beginning the Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) work within the bounds of Caulks Creek, which will define its characteristics, including widths, elevations, heights, and other physical characteristics of this stressed channel. The initial starting point was Anniversary Park and the triple-meander area was one (1) of the first locations where this work was begun.

In terms of contacts and how questions, needs, or updates will be provided, the individuals and processes for such are summarized below.

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The individuals will be the contact persons over the next two (2) years of the study, along with the Co-Chairs, City Administrator, and the Directors of Public Works and Planning, if needed due to the nature of a matter that is identified or cost considerations. It was requested by the USGS to have a point of contact, so communications and responses could be coordinated, with the greatest amount of efficiency.

If any of the City Council have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning with them at (636) 458-0440. The item is under "For Information" on tonight's Work Session's Agenda, but can be discussed, if any City Council Member should request such. Thank you for your review this matter and direction in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF WILDWOOD

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Planning and Parks Committee

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Steve Cross, City Administrator
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