

April 1, 2025

Timothy Bray Crow Wing County Highway Department 16589 County Road 142 Brainerd, MN 56401

Subject:

2026 County Road 170 / Mapleton Road Mill and Overly Project — Land area between the north and south intersections of Jasperwood Drive and Mapleton Road - in the Ironwood Drive/Mapleton Ct. land area.

Dear Mr. Bray:

The purpose of this letter is for the City to formally request a delay of the 2026 County Road 170 / Mapleton Road mill and overlay project in the project location identified above. The reason for the City's request for a delay is to allow time for landowners in this area (including the City of Baxter and Sourcewell) to complete planning efforts for their respective properties along County Road 170 / Mapleton Road. Given the geography of the land and existing roadway network, planning efforts for this area could result in requested changes to the road configuration. As such, the City of Baxter views a delay in the Mill and Overlay project as a potential aid to economic development by allowing planning for optimal development of the land before making long-term re-investment into County Road 170 / Mapleton Road.

Attached is a letter from Reid Thiesse, Director of Facilities at Sourcewell making a similar request for a delay of this project to the City for their 35-acres of property (Outlot A, B, and C, Second Addition to City Center of Baxter).

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at beatermn.gov or (218) 454-5105.

Sincerely,

Bradley Chapulis City Administrator