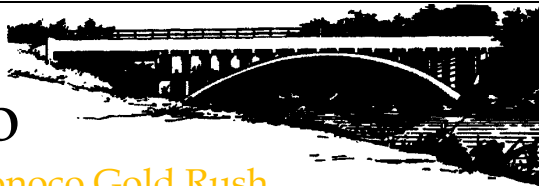


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# City of Oronoco

Home of Downtown Oronoco Gold Rush



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## Reference: Oronoco Wastewater System – Startup Schedule Notification

Construction of Oronoco's Wastewater System is nearing completion but continues to be impacted by delays in the manufacture and delivery of critical electrical components. We have recently been informed that lift station control panel equipment manufacture and delivery has been delayed longer than previously anticipated. As a result, the Oronoco municipal wastewater system cannot begin operation until these components are delivered, installed, and commissioned. Oronoco's tentative schedule for Wastewater System commissioning, startup and commencement of wastewater collection and treatment are as follows:

1. Wastewater Treatment Facility commissioning and staff training is scheduled throughout December 2023.
2. Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Control Panel delivery and installation between January 3, 2024 to March 15, 2024.
3. Wastewater Treatment Facility and Lift Station start of operation on March 18, 2024.
4. Municipal sanitary sewer system to begin collecting wastewater flow from Oronoco Estates Mobile Home Community, Cedar Woodlands Subdivision, River Park Subdivision, Oronoco Crossings Subdivision, and Riverwood Hills Subdivisions between March 18 and March 29.
5. Low pressure sanitary sewer (grinder stations serving individual homes) construction completion and service startup March 18, 2024 to May 17, 2024. Property owners must have an electrician complete the installation of the electrical service and disconnect needed to power the grinder station before March 18, 2024.
6. Gravity sanitary sewer connections to individual homes and businesses in downtown Oronoco scheduled to begin on April 22, 2024.
7. Property owners receiving a new water service as part of the Phase 1A Wastewater and Water project may connect to the municipal water system now. Please remember to contact City Hall for a water permit and to get a water meter.

Please note that the schedule information provided is subject to change based upon the delivery of the remaining lift station control panels and weather conditions in the spring of 2024. We appreciate your patience and will continue to provide additional updates to all stakeholders next spring.

If you have questions regarding the wastewater or water system construction, connection requirements, or the project schedule information provided please feel free to call me at (507) 529-6036 or email me at [joseph.palen@stantec.com](mailto:joseph.palen@stantec.com).

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