



August 21, 2020

Dear Fort Thomas Resident,

This letter is being sent to you as a neighbor of the Northern Kentucky Water District's Fort Thomas Treatment Plant. We wish to inform you of an upcoming project that is necessary to remove substantial amounts of sediment that has accumulated in the north reservoir. The reservoirs were last thoroughly cleaned in 1965. After this date, regulations were implemented that prohibited discharging the reservoir water and sediment to the creek behind the plant. Previous and on-going removal efforts have been helpful, but these methods are not able to remove large amounts of sediment.

Water is stored in the reservoir after it is pumped from the Ohio River. While the raw water is being stored, solids from the river settle and accumulate on the bottom. We have determined that the most cost effective and quickest way to remove the solids is to drain the reservoir completely and utilize a contractor having the proper equipment and expertise to remove the sediment.

The north and south reservoirs will each be drained one at a time, beginning with the north reservoir. The contractor will use earth moving equipment to excavate the sediment and haul it away in trucks. Residents will notice contractor activity regarding the removal process beginning as early as September 2020. Fish relocation between the reservoirs will also be part of the process.

The District strives to provide safe and dependable water service to our customers and removing the sediment from the reservoir will help meet those goals. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation to support this important effort. If you have any questions about this project, please contact me at (859) 426-2734.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Kramer" with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Amy Kramer, P.E.  
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