

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of Letting

COREY LAKE INTERCOUNTY DRAIN  
(St. Joseph and Cass Counties)

**NOTICE OF LETTING**

**DATE:** May 14, 2024  
**TIME:** 11:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner's office  
612 E. Main St., Centreville, Michigan

The Corey Lake Intercounty Drain Drainage Board will meet on the above date, time and location to receive construction bids for the Corey Lake Intercounty Drain. Bids will then be opened and publicly announced.

The Corey Lake Intercounty Drain will be let in one section as follows, each section having the length, average depth and width as set forth:

***The Corey Lake Intercounty Drain consists of approximately 0.77 miles of open channel excavation with bottom widths ranging from 4 to 10-feet and average excavation depth of 1-foot. The project includes approximately 524 linear feet of 36-inch diameter PE storm sewer with average depth of 10-feet as well as 227 linear feet of 36-inch diameter RCP storm sewer with average depth of 6-feet. The project also includes the installation of 5 PE culverts ranging in diameter from 42 to 54-inches.***

***The following items will be required, and a contract let for the same:***

**Open Channel Drain Construction**

1	LS	Mobilization (10% Max)
1	LS	Utility Investigation & Protection
3,031	LF	Woody Debris Management
3,233	LF	Open Channel Excavation, 4-foot bottom width
270	LF	Open Channel Excavation, 8-foot bottom width
550	LF	Open Channel Excavation, 10-foot bottom width
1	LS	M-60 Cleanout
3	EA	Remove Culvert under 24-inch

**Enclosed Drain Construction**

1	LS	Corey Lake Outlet Dewatering
1	LS	Clear Lake Outlet Dewatering
524	LF	Storm Sewer, 36-inch PE
227	LF	Storm Sewer, 36-inch RCP

2	EA.	Catch Basin, 5-foot diameter
1	EA.	Control Structure Manhole, 6-foot diameter

### **Drain Crossings**

Station 10+00, Private Crossing  
Place 35 LF 42" PE Culvert

Station 14+50, Private Crossing  
Place 40 LF 42" PE Culvert

Station 25+00, Private Crossing  
Place 40 LF 42" PE Culvert

Station 41+00, Private Crossing  
Place 35 LF 54" PE Culvert

Station 46+50, Private Crossing  
Place 40 LF 54" PE Culvert

### **Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control**

1	LS	Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Control
1	LS	Site Restoration
375	SY	Bituminous Pavement Removal & Restoration
5	EA	Private Crossing Restoration
180	SY	Rock Riffle Grade Control Structure
40	SY	Riprap Side Inlet
310	SY	Riprap Energy Dissipator
4,053	LF	Open Channel Seeding
751	LF	Surface Restoration
1,250	SY	Mulch Blanket

This Notice of Letting, the plans, specifications and bid proposal shall be considered a part of the Contract. The Contract will be let in accordance with the Contract Documents now on file at the offices of the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner and the Cass County Drain Commissioner and available to interested parties. Bids will be made and received in accordance with these documents. Bidding Documents, including plans and specifications, may be obtained at the following locations:

#### ***Land & Resource Engineering at 2121 3 Mile Road NW, Walker, MI 49544***

Copies of Bidding Documents may only be obtained upon payment of a \$40 **non-refundable** deposit. An additional **non-refundable** charge of \$10 will be required for mailing Bidding Documents.

A security deposit in the form of a cashier's check, money order, certified check or bidders bond made out to the Corey Lake Intercounty Drain Drainage District shall be submitted with any bids. No cash will be permitted. The security deposits of all unsuccessful bidders shall be returned after the Contract is awarded.

A **mandatory pre-bid conference** will be held at **11:00 a.m.** on **April 30, 2025**, at the office of the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner, 612 E. Main St., Centreville, Michigan. Representatives of the Owner and Professional will be present to discuss the

project. Attendance by any prospective General Contractor is required for sealed bids to be accepted. The Professional will transmit to all prospective bidders of record an Addendum as the Professional considers necessary in response to questions arising at the conference. Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be legally effective.

The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work and meeting all conditions represented in the Instructions to Bidders. The Contract completion date and the terms of payment will be announced at the time and place of letting. If no satisfactory bids are received, we reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to adjourn to a time and location as we shall announce.

Dated: April 15, 2025

**Jeffery J. Wenzel**  
**St. Joseph County Drain**  
**Commissioner**  
**612 E. Main St.**  
**Centreville, MI 49032**  
**269-467-5600**

**Jeff VanBelle**  
**Cass County Drain Commissioner**  
**340 N. O'Keefe**  
**Cassopolis, MI 49031**  
**269-445-8611**



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DR. TIM BORING  
DIRECTOR

April 24, 2025

**ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Mr. Jeffery J. Wenzel  
St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner  
612 E. Main St.  
Centreville, MI 49032

Mr. Jeff VanBelle  
Cass County Drain Commissioner  
340 N. O'Keefe  
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**RE: Corey Lake Intercounty Drain**

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed is a Notice of Letting for the **Corey Lake Intercounty Drain**. Please retain a copy of the notice for your records. Also enclosed for your convenience is an agenda for the bid opening meeting.

Please follow the following instructions carefully. Notice of the meeting shall be served by each county, not less than 10 days before the meeting, as follows:

1. If you directly or indirectly maintain an official internet presence, the notice shall be posted on a portion of the website that is fully accessible to the public at least 10 days before the date set for receipt of the bids. The notice will need to remain on the website through the date set for the day of review of apportionments.
2. If you do not maintain an official internet presence, the notice shall be so posted and maintained on the county website.
3. No newspaper publication or mailing of this notice is required.
4. The bid letting will be a called Drainage Board meeting. This notice will also serve as your Open Meetings Act notice for that meeting. As such, please post this notice on your public notice board as you normally would for a drainage board meeting no less than 18 hours prior to the meeting time.

**Please provide this office with a copy of the Affidavit of Posting for the drain.** If you have any questions regarding any of these requirements, please contact me at 517-284-5624.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brady Harrington".

Brady Harrington  
Deputy for the Director

Enclosures

## AGENDA

### Bid Letting

#### COREY LAKE INTERCOUNTY DRAIN

(St. Joseph and Cass Counties)

St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner's office, Michigan  
May 14, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order and Close of Bid Acceptance
2. Introduction of Drainage Board Members  
  
**Brady Harrington**, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development  
**Jeffery J. Wenzel**, St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner  
**Jeff VanBelle**, Cass County Drain Commissioner
3. Motion to elect secretary
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Approval of meeting minutes from March 26, 2025
6. Reading of sealed bids
7. Motion regarding award of bids / tentative award of bids subject to engineer's recommendation / rejection of all bids
8. Public comment
9. Treasurer's report
10. Finalize computation of cost
11. Discuss days of review of apportionments
12. Discussion with bond counsel regarding schedule for project bonding and set next meeting date
13. Adjourn