



# CITY OF FORT WAYNE CITY UTILITIES

**4300 Block Taylor Street**

## Septic Elimination Project Overview

City Utilities is working to eliminate failing septic systems in the city, by making connections to the public sanitary sewer system available for these properties.

### The Problem

Septic systems have a limited life and eventually fail. In addition, the soil types in Allen County are poor for septic waste absorption. As a result, human waste leaches into groundwater, backyards and neighborhood ditches and streams. Failing septic systems are linked to unsafe levels of *E. coli* in many neighborhood streams and ditches.

### The Solution

To address health hazards in our neighborhoods, the Septic Elimination Program (SEP) was implemented to convert many neighborhoods on septic systems to public sanitary sewer service. Neighborhoods with higher septic system failure rates are the priority of our program.

This project will bring sewers to 2 homes by March 2014. This will address approximately 1% of the 500 homes still on septic systems in Fort Wayne.

Two (2) properties are part of the 4300 Taylor Street project. This project will include approximately 230± lineal feet of 8" pipe and 2 manholes to service two properties.

### Project Status

**Project Status:** In Design

**Construction Period:** January 2014

**Estimated Project Costs:** \$30,000

**Approximate # of Properties in the Project:** 2

**Cost per Property:** \$15,000

### Project Benefits:

- Improved quality of life; worry free use of home facilities
- Reduced maintenance worries
- Improved environmental and health conditions for homes and neighborhoods
- Greater protection for well water, streams and drainage ditches
- Homes possibly become more marketable

**SEP Information:** 260-427-5064

**Department of Health:** 260-449-7561

Project Schedules And Costs May Be Subject To Change.