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 approximately 37 homes by November 2012. This will address approximately 7% of the 500 homes still on septic systems in Fort Wayne.

Approximately 37 properties are part of the Hazelett Road - Rothman Road project. This project will include approximately 4,388 LF of 8" PVC gravity open cut sewers and 1,187 LF of 2" HDPE directional drill low pressure sewers along with 10 homes on grinder pumps outside of the right of way. This new sanitary sewer system will serve 37 homes that are located on Hazelett and Rothman Roads North of St. Joe Center Road on the northeast side of Fort Wayne.

### Project Status

- **Project Status:** Connection to Sewer
- **Construction Period:** Completed
- **Estimated Project Costs:** $547,785
- **Approximate # of Properties in the Project:** 37
- **Cost per Property:** $14,805

### 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:
- **SEP Information:** 260-427-5064
- **Department of Health:** 260-449-7561

*Project Schedules And Costs May Be Subject To Change.*

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