

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ENGINEER'S REPORT  
ON REPAIRS TO THE MAIN OPEN DITCH OF  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT 18, HARDIN COUNTY**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023, AT 10:00 A.M.  
ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY**

To all landowners, including Chicago Central & Pacific, Canadian National Railway, and to all lienholders or encumbrancers, and also to all other persons whom it may concern, and all actual occupants of land in Drainage District 18 of Hardin County, Iowa:

**YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that the Board of Trustees of Hardin County Drainage District 18 have received a request for an open ditch cleanout in said district. In response, the Board of Trustees appointed James V. Sweeney, P.E., of Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, a qualified engineer, to investigate and report on the condition of said drainage district.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that the Board of Trustees has received the 'Engineer's Report on repairs to the Main Open Ditch Drainage District 18 Hardin County, Iowa' prepared by the engineer and dated December 27, 2022. The Board of Trustees has acknowledged receipt of the engineer's report as a tentative plan which may be amended before final action. A copy of said report is now on file with the Hardin County Auditor and online at [www.hardincountyia.gov/269/Drainage-District-Projects](http://www.hardincountyia.gov/269/Drainage-District-Projects).

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that the Board of Trustees has set the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Alden Public Library, 1012 Water St., Alden, Iowa as the date, time, and place for hearing on said report.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that in the event said report is adopted that a reclassification of the benefits of the lands within said district may also be considered. All claims for damages, except claims for land required for right-of-way, and all objections for any reason to said engineer's report **must be filed in writing and filed in the office of the Hardin County Auditor, Eldora, Iowa, before or at the time set for said hearing.** The failure to file written objections prior to the time set for the hearing will result in a waiver of any objections, except claims for damages.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that because the engineer's report does not consider the work to be an improvement, landowners do NOT have the right to file a remonstrance (a written document objecting to the improvement and signed by a majority of the landowners in the district owning 70% or more of land within the district).

Published by order of the Board of Trustees of Drainage District 18.

**JOLENE PIETERS  
HARDIN COUNTY AUDITOR**