



## **WATER PROJECT PROGRESS INFORMATION**

Construction has been ongoing for the past month. Currently, the two construction company's Bilacic & Sterling has crews working on the South West to East & North West to East ends of Hope Township weather permitting.

It will be several weeks after the water mains have been installed in an area before residents in that area will be able to proceed with the process of connecting to the water line. The first step will be in answering a form that will indicate where you would prefer to have the water service lead (water valve) located on your property. This notification has been sent to everyone in the water district. Copies are available by contacting the Hope Supervisor at 989-689-0322.

Once the water lines have passed pressure and bacteriological testing the contractor will begin installing service leads to the property lines. Upon completion of the service leads in a specified distance, usually about 2 to 3 miles, Water District 1 will inspect and approve each section. Only after an area is accepted by Water District No.1 will the residents be notified by mail that they are eligible with the authorization process. After receiving the authorization in the mail you will contact the Hope Township office.

**Monday 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 pm**

Days & hours posted on the web site and the Township Hall for a water connection and verification form 13321 authorizing you to proceed. The installation of the water line to the residence should only be made by the resident or authorized installer after obtaining these approvals.

The Township Board Members are asking that the residents **PLEASE DO NOT INSTALL A WATER LINE FROM YOUR HOME WITHOUT FOLLOWING THE CORRECT PROCEDURES MENTIONED** (this may slow the approval process) and please do not contact Water District No. 1 or the Midland County Code Authority with questions until after you have been notified that you are able to connect and have the signed form from the Hope Office in hand.

For those who may qualify, Rural Development Financial Assistance forms for municipal water are available at the Township Office. Contact Supervisor 989-689-0322.

Also, please note that the restoration of driveways, yards, etc., is ongoing, but may not be complete until spring of 2014.