

LOIS PROJECT GEARING UP



LOIS construction hasn't started yet, but there is plenty going on "backstage" to get ready for the opening act. Kelok and Bryant Road pipeline construction and purchasing of some materials are currently out to bid.

Prequalification applications for lake-full work closed on November 13. By prequalifying contractors, the City will ensure that those bidding will have the right combination of experience and size to get the job done. The lake full phase begins in April, 2009 and includes pile driving, ground anchor installation and pipe fusing and deployment. For more information about the phases of construction, visit www.loisnews.com.

The LOIS Team has also been working with neighbors around the lake in the past month. While the LOIS project

will provide long term environmental and public health benefits, in the short term, there will be community impacts. Communicating with neighbors about what they will be seeing, hearing and experiencing during construction and working with them on their concerns, is one of the goals of the City Council and the Project Team. The City is committed to addressing concerns within the time and budget constraints of the project.

One of the ways in which the City is trying to reduce impacts on west-end neighbors is by purchasing two properties on McVey Avenue as a staging area for pipe fusing and pile driving work, rather than from properties in the west end of the lake. Appraisals have been completed on the properties and negotiations will begin soon with property owners.