

Kanata to get flood fixes soon: Feltmate

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East-side councillors set to announce upgrades to be completed this summer

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Kanata South Councillor Peggy Feltmate says improvements for areas of her ward hit by flooding this summer should be completed faster than upgrades made in Orléans after flooding there three years ago.

A pair of east-side councillors are expected to announce

today that sewer infrastructure promised to Orléans residents after flooding in July 2006 will be completed this summer.

The announcement comes as city officials continue to prepare a report regarding flooding in parts of Kanata and Stittsville, where more than 800 homes were affected during heavy rainfall on July 24.

Feltmate said improvements

in Kanata South should be completed faster than those in Orléans because her ward has experienced previous flooding and related investigations. Glen Cairn, in her ward, was previously hit by flooding in 1996 and 2002.

"There's quite a bit of information already available," Feltmate said. She expects to hear reasons for the flooding when the report is delivered to council on Sept. 2.

Meanwhile, Orléans Councillor Bob Monette said in a news release that Orléans infrastruc-

ture "has been a work in progress since 2006."

Monette and Innes Councillor Rainer Bloess are expected to announce the upcoming completion of sewer infrastructure promised after a rainstorm caused flooded roads and homes on July 3, 2006.

Parts of the Orléans area received 140 millilitres of rain during a one-hour period, according to city staff. Sewer pipes in the area were only equipped to absorb 25 to 30 millilitres of rain per hour at the time.