On October 10, 2023, John Baker – President of Nevada City Enineering, Inc came out and examined Wildwood West Drive with Bob Spier. John has been a civil engineer since 1988.

Here are his recommendations (see attached map):

#1 South side of the road between Prescott and Parsons - Dig out the ditch and line with cobble stone to prevent flooding during heavy rains.

#2 Road section between Martello and Smith – This is an older section with poor base fill. The road has sunk slightly where the north-south culvert is.

John recommends digging out the road where the culvert is and refill the base and repave.

This section needs crack filling using bituhtene liquid sealant. The section could then be asphalt overlayed or double coated with chip seal.

#3 Drainage culvert at Cores (Lighthouse) turnaround. Add large cobble rocks to the canyon's start for flow dissipation. John says Hansen Brothers can do this kind of work.

This section also needs crack sealant.

John is a fan of sealants vs. just overlays. He feels they help prevent future water problems, can last a few years, and might be cheaper than overlays alone.

He also says we need to keep up with the gravel on steep drop-off areas.

