

August 31, 2015

Dear Residents:

**Subject: Mission Creek Restoration Project from Union Pacific Railroad to Lemos Lane**

This letter is to inform you that a second Public Information Meeting has been scheduled to provide updates on the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's (District) channel restoration and flood control improvement project along Mission Creek from Lemos Lane to the Union Pacific Railroad. Construction of this project is scheduled to take place during the summer of 2016.

**Project Information Meeting**

Location – John Gomes Elementary Multi-Purpose Room, 555 Lemos Lane, Fremont

Date – Thursday, September 17, 2015

Time – 6:00 PM

The first Project Information Meeting was held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014. This second meeting will cover the following:

1. Review of the purpose for the project
2. Overall construction timeline (April thru December 2016) and pre-construction tree removal (December 2015 thru January 31, 2016)
3. Construction activities
4. Extent of park closure during the pre-construction tree removal this winter and during the project construction in 2016

The following provides some general project information:

**Purpose of the Project**

The purpose of the project is to increase flood conveyance in the creek to meet the FEMA 100-year design requirement and minimize potential for future flooding. This project will also stabilize eroded slopes using biotechnical bank stabilization control methods, improve riparian habitat function, and provide for the replacement of removed trees throughout the project site. In addition, permanent pedestrian/bicycle pathways will be constructed between UPRR and Lemos Lane, as part of the project through the cooperative efforts of the City of Fremont and the District.

**Project Location:** construction limits are as shown in red in the aerial image below:



### **Project Components**

- Reach 1: Widen the channel to create flood plain terraces and set-back banks to provide increased flood conveyance; replace existing golf course bridge; construct multi-purpose pathways.
- Reach 2: Install vertical channel retaining walls to provide improved flood conveyance; excavate new earthen bottom and flood plain terraces; relocate multi-purpose pathway.
- Reach 3: Construct additional culverts under Lemos Lane; construct low contoured earthen berms through Gomes Park to contain flood flows; replace existing Gomes Park footbridge; replace pedestrian pathways throughout Gomes Park; repair bank erosion sites; provide replanting throughout Gomes Park; relocate and construct multi-purpose pathways.

### **Anticipated Construction Schedule and Gomes Park Usage Restrictions**

- Pre-project tree removal: December 2015 thru January 31, 2016 (about 15 Working Days)

A total of sixty-two (62) trees will be removed that are in conflict with proposed improvements (26 trees are less than 8" in diameter; 25 trees are between 8" and less than 18" in diameter). One hundred twenty-one (121) native trees will be replanted towards the end of project construction in 2016.

- Gomes Park will be partially closed during tree removal.
- Tree removal working days: Mondays thru Fridays; no work on weekends and holidays.
- Tree removal working hours: typically between 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM. No work that interferes with vehicle or pedestrian traffic on Lemos Lane will be allowed before 9:00 AM or after 2:00 PM when school is in session.

- Overall project construction duration: April thru December 2016; about 190 Working Days
  - o Gomes Park will be completely closed during the entire construction period, including weekends and holidays. The aerial image above shows the limits of both the park and golf course areas to be closed.
  - o Construction work days: Mondays thru Fridays; no work on weekends and holidays.
  - o Construction work hours: typically between 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM. No work that interferes with public traffic on Lemos Lane will be allowed to begin before 9:00AM or after 2:00 PM when school is in session.

### **Who to Contact**

Between now and construction: Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

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During construction: Alameda County Public Work Agency's Construction Department

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While the District continually strives to minimize construction impacts to adjacent neighborhoods, we also recognize the likelihood of increased noise levels during retaining wall and earthwork operations due to the need for specialized heavy construction machinery and equipment. Construction operations will comply with Cal-OSHA requirements and local noise ordinances.

The District would like to thank you in advance for your understanding and patience during construction of this vital flood control improvement project.