

June 2026

Public Works Department Activity Report

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Noteworthy Information:

- **Sewer Master Plan Update.** Working on hydraulic model of citywide system.
- **Caulder Creek Storm Drain Project.** Working on environmental permits for project
- **Bodega Avenue Bike Lanes and Rehab Phase 2.** Completed Sidewalk at Virginia Ave and Bodega. Completing punchlist.
- **Citywide Digouts and Repairs Paving Project.** Awarded contract to QA Constructors and marked out locations for repair.
- **Burbank Farms ADA and Restroom.** Working on punchlist items to complete project.
- **Pedestrian Crossings on Covert Ln.** Completed contract for design.
- **Hwy 116 Pedestrian Crossings (Burnett St, Walker Ave, Hutchins Ave, & Keating Ave).** Finalized bid package for the project. Bid to be released in early July.
- **Well 4 Replacement Project.** Awaiting monitoring/test well permit application to the County.
- **Morris Street Sewer Pump Station Repair Project.** Bids for project were received June 24th. Potential award scheduled with Council at July 21st mtg.
- **Fence Replacement at Ives Park.** Reach 1 fencing complete.
- **EPA Audit Sebastopol Water System:** Staff completed and submitted to the EPA a revised RRA and Emergency Response Plan.
- **Library:** Staff coordinated with the remediation contractor and Sonoma County Library to complete Phase I of the emergency remediation work at the Sebastopol Library.
- **Tree Assessment:** Staff is working with the City Arborist to conduct an assessment of all trees in the public rights of way and Parks. A full maintenance plan will be developed prioritizing trees in need of immediate removal and attention.
- **Vegetation Management (Grazing):** Staff is working with local grazing operators to prioritize areas of dense vegetation along public pathways for grazing and vegetation removal this year. Additionally, staff is coordinating with partner agencies to explore a more collaborative community grazing program for Laguna open space areas, including Sonoma County Regional Parks, the City of Santa Rosa, the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation, and local Resource Conservation Districts.
- **Non-Functional Turf:** The City is working with a nonprofit organization to utilize grant funding to help meet the City's regulatory requirement to remove all non-functional turf from City-owned properties by the end of 2026.
- **Asset Management:** Public Works launched its updated Asset Management Program in June. The new asset management system is currently being developed and is expected to be fully integrated into daily operations within the next three to four months, with full implementation anticipated by the end of the calendar year.
- **Miscellaneous Public Works Activities.**
 - Trimmed trees at Ives and Libby Park.
 - Removed fire debris from a homeless encampment on the Laguna Wetland Preserve
 - Replacement of VFDs at the Well 6.
 - Completed repairs to PW emergency radio system
 - Conducted proposal walk throughs with vendors to upgrade the City's SCADA system in response to the recent EPA audit.
 - Continued hydrant maintenance program.
 - Responded to customer service requests regarding water, sewer, streets, and sidewalks.