

August 2026

Public Works Department Activity Report

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Noteworthy Information:

- **Caulder Creek Storm Drain Project:** Awaiting a response regarding landfill disposal options.
- **Citywide Digouts and Repairs Paving Project:** Project was completed the first week of August.
- **Flood Resiliency Master Plan:** Finalizing the Master Plan and recommended projects.
- **Hwy 116 Pedestrian Crossings (Burnett St, Walker Ave, Hutchins Ave, & Keating Ave):** Project was bid on August 12 and awarded by City Council on September 1.
- **Ives Park ADA Path Phase 2:** Reviewing 90% design plans.
- **Morris Street Sewer Pump Station Repair Project:** Completing preconstruction activities and submittal review. Work is expected to commence in September.
- **Pedestrian Crossings on Covert Ln:** Design work is underway.
- **Sewer Master Plan Update:** Finalizing the hydraulic model of the citywide system incorporating condition assessment data.
- **Well 4 Replacement Project:** Conducted water quality sampling at the monitoring well to inform design. Developed a funding strategy for water infrastructure improvements.
- **Zimpher Creek Sewer Phase I:** Running the proposed CIP project through the hydraulic model.
- **Library:** Mold remediation work was completed on August 26. A request for bids for repair work has been released.
- **Tree Assessment:** Staff is working with the City Arborist to assess all trees within the public rights-of-way and City parks. A comprehensive maintenance plan will be developed to prioritize trees requiring immediate removal or attention.
- **Vegetation Management (Grazing):** Staff is developing a contract with Chasing Goats for blackberry maintenance.
- **Asset Management:** A new asset management system is in draft development within the sandbox environment.
- **SCTCA:** Public Works received notification that the Bodega Avenue Phase 3 project has been recommended for funding through SCTCA's Cycle 2 program. If awarded, the City is expected to receive up to \$3 million in funding for the project beginning in FY 2027/28.
- **HSIP Cycle 13:** Public Works is moving forward with submitting the pedestrian crossing at Sunset Avenue and Johnson Street for HSIP Set-Aside funding.
- **SRTS Kickoff:** Working with SCTCA staff to develop Safe Routes to School priority corridor plans.
- **Laguna Middle Reach Grant:** Coordinating with interested partners on a community grazing grant program for the Laguna Preserve.

Miscellaneous Public Works Activities

- Continued citywide street and sign assessments.
- Continued vegetation and trash removal along the AmeriCorps Trail.
- Completed hydrant maintenance and flushing in two zones.
- Completed the Sewer System Management Plan Update.
- Scoping Ives Pool repairs for the FY 2027 budget cycle.
- Continued the hydrant maintenance program.
- Responded to customer service requests related to water, sewer, streets, and sidewalks.