

Neighborhood update | August 2015

Rinconada Water Treatment Plant



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Save the date!

What: Construction meeting for the Reliability Improvement Project

Date: Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015
6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Place: Rolling Hills Middle School
Multi-purpose room
1585 More Avenue
Los Gatos, Ca. 95032

The Santa Clara Valley Water District begins construction at the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant next month. This key community meeting near the treatment plant will preview the work.

Construction equipment is mobilizing at the treatment plant in preparation for about five years of construction. By mid-September, the neighborhood will likely experience increased noise and traffic.

Please join the water district and representatives from the contractor, Balfour Beatty Infrastructure, at this construction meeting. District staff will describe the project's schedule and key milestones and will explain the mechanisms in place to control noise and traffic. The district will also provide contact information to report concerns and ask questions.

Email the water district at rsvp@valleywater.org if you will attend. If you are unable to join the water district, you can still submit questions to the project blog at www.rinconadareliabilityproject.com or directly to Public Information Representative Tony Mercado, the treatment plant's neighborhood liaison at tmercado@valleywater.org



Artist rendition of the new facility.

The project

Billed as the Reliability Improvement Project, this project is the largest capital undertaking by the Santa Clara Valley Water District in its history.

Costing nearly \$180 million, the work will replace or upgrade all the plant's major components, ushering in a new era of dependability for the area's oldest water treatment plant and the sole supplier of treated drinking water for cities in Santa Clara County's west side, including Santa Clara, Campbell, Sunnyvale, Cupertino, Mountain View and Los Altos and the towns of Los Gatos and Los Altos Hills.

This project includes design and construction of raw water ozonation, flocculation and plate settler clarification and dual media filtration.

The improvements will allow Rinconada to treat 100 million gallons of water each day - up from its current 80 mgd - and help the district meet increasingly stringent standards for water quality and seismic stability.

Keep up to date on the project

The water district wants to know what its neighbors have to say about this important project! In 2012, it created a blog to focus specifically on the Reliability Improvement Project and promote dialogue between the district and the people it serves.

"Modernizing the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant" is accessible at www.rinconadareliabilityproject.com and in addition to serving as an informational hub about the project, it will provide a forum for questions and comments from the public and answers from project team staff. It's the latest step in social media outreach embraced by the water district.

To receive free notifications when information becomes available, click on the "Follow" button at the bottom of the blog page or email the neighborhood liaison at tmercado@valleywater.org to be placed on the subscription list.

Modernizing the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant

The Santa Clara Valley Water District's blog about the Reliability Improvement Project

Looking at: Ozone disinfection, the first step in drinking water treatment

Board of directors approves Rinconada construction contract

Bids are in. Awarding construction contract is next step

Finish just ahead for dual projects

"Modernizing the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant" provides up-to-date information on the project.

Contractors will utilize San Jose Water Reservoir site for parking

Up to 200 construction workers will come to the water treatment plant daily. To help minimize construction zone traffic, some workers will park at the San Jose Water Company's reservoir site at 402 More Avenue.

The area can accommodate 50 vehicles. Beginning in September, workers will access this parking area around 7 a.m., Monday through Friday, to begin work at 8 a.m. The gates will close each day at about 5 p.m.

Construction workers are prohibited from parking on More Avenue.

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For more information, contact **Tony Mercado** at **(408) 630-2342**, or visit our website at www.valleywater.org and use our **Access Valley Water** customer request and information system. With three easy steps, you can use this service to find out the latest information on the project or to submit questions, complaints or compliments directly to a district staff person.

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