



# San Rafael Sanitation District

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*Hello Bayside Acres Homeowners and Stakeholders: The Bayside Acres project is well underway. Below are the latest news and updates for you.*

## Initial Site Visits Complete

The District, Nute Engineering, and its subcontractors have completed the initial site visits and identified key design requests by homeowners. The team has also resolved numerous issues requiring additional clarity, such as confirming easements and property lines.

## Grouping Construction to Improve Service to Homeowners

Recognizing that this project involves the private properties of homeowners, the project team is taking care to ensure each detail of engineering design considers the needs and requests of each homeowner. This care extends to ensuring a smooth construction process.

**The District is grouping the construction into four sets of four or more neighboring homes with similar characteristics.** The goal is to attract contractors with the specific expertise and size needed for each group of projects. For example, one group of homes has long laterals that must be installed in the street, and others don't have that feature.

Focusing the construction on smaller groups is expected to also speed up construction at each home by keeping the work area compact. Having each construction contract being just a handful of homes near each other is also expected to improve overall responsiveness and service by the contractor and help the District to oversee the construction effectively.

**The homes in each group will be identified within the month and announced in the next edition of this document in May.**

## Timing for the First Group of Properties:

It is possible for permitting or other aspects of the project to impact the schedule still; below is the current schedule.

- **District staff and consultants are completing engineering design and permitting now.**
- **We expect to bring detailed engineering plans for review to the first group of homeowners by the end of May.** During this onsite visit with the homeowners, we will review the design details, collect input, and answer homeowner questions.
- **Construction bidding takes about a month.** The bidding process is expected to be completed in July.

- **Construction should run for approximately three months** and be completed before the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### **Timing for the Remaining Three Groups of Properties:**

As described above, It is possible for permitting or other aspects of the project to impact the schedule still; below is the current schedule.

The next three groups of homeowners are expected to begin construction in early 2024 (group 2), summer 2024 (group 3), and Fall 2024 (group 4). The construction period for each group is expected to be about three months.

### **Sewer Main Construction in the Streets Is Complete**

The new sewer mains are all constructed. The new pipelines are ready to take sewage when the sump and pump systems are complete.

### **Working on Permitting with Regulators**

District staff and consultants met with regulators to review the sump and pump construction projects and are working towards obtaining the necessary permitting. We are also working with regulators to determine whether the existing sewer main in the Bay will be sealed or removed.

### **Questions and Answers**

Below are answers to a few questions we have received:

**Q: Are there still calls to review the project with homeowners?**

**A:** We are still working on a variety of details – electrical, permitting, design, etc. – and will bring homeowners the draft designs for review when they are complete.

**Q: What is the schedule for construction? I need a long-lead time with work for me to be available.**

**A:** The scheduling for individual homes has yet to be settled. However, we will give long lead times to help you with planning.

### **Please Let Us Know of Changes to Your Contact Information and Schedule**

To stay in communication with you, it would be helpful to let Barbara know of any changes to your contact information and any known vacations or days you would not be available for reviews and construction.

Barbara can be reached by phone at (415) 453-4480 or by email at [b.dabney@nute-engr.com](mailto:b.dabney@nute-engr.com)

### **For Assistance, Comments, and Information:**

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**Web.** The [main project page is here](#), and [project updates are posted here](#).