

Neighborhood Work Maintenance Work at Page, Sunnyoaks, and Budd Ponds



The Santa Clara Valley Water District will be performing maintenance work on the Page, Sunnyoaks and Budd groundwater recharge ponds that are near Sunnyoaks Avenue and Waldo Road in Campbell. This work helps ensure the availability of clean and reliable drinking water. Please see the attached map and example of the maintenance work that is planned.

As part of the maintenance effort, water flows into the ponds will be stopped, resulting in drained and dried ponds. Sediment will be removed from the bottom and sides to restore groundwater recharge capacity and concrete blocks will be installed in several locations along the Page Ditch to support the top of the levee and access road.

This project will remove an estimated 40,000 cubic yards of sediment, enough to fill 5,000 dump trucks. Sediment removal is important to sustain the recharge capability of the ponds. This helps replenish the groundwater basin and provide reliable water supply.

Due to the community's water savings and our groundwater replenishment efforts, our groundwater storage has largely recovered from the historic drought, so we can manage to have these ponds out of service during this critical maintenance work.

Why do this work?

Water flowing in a canal or creek picks up and carries fine grains of soil, rock or mineral called sediment. When the flowing water reaches a wide or flat area, like a groundwater recharge pond, the sediment “drops out” and is deposited into the bottom. This can clog the pond, reducing the amount of water it can recharge into the groundwater aquifer.

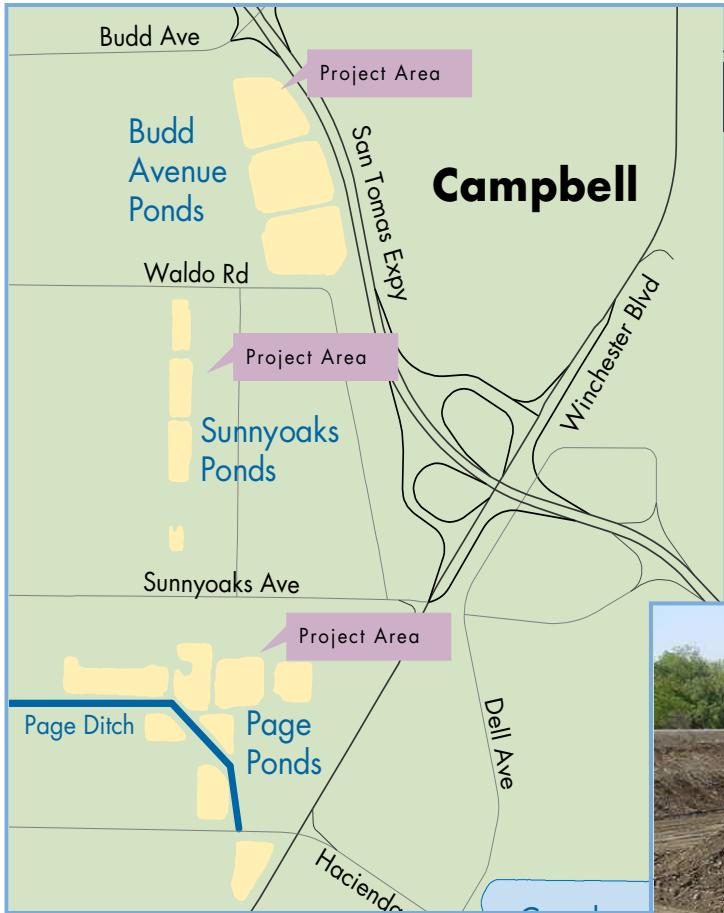
Work details

Depending on the inclement weather and time it takes for the ponds to dry, the work will begin in late March or early April and last through May. Project work hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A four-to-six-person crew will work at the project site using an excavator, dump trucks, tractors and a water pump. A generator, designed to operate quietly, will continuously pump water during project work hours.

Trucks and crews will access the ponds at Sunnyoaks, Winchester, Budd and Dell avenues. Road closures are expected and traffic control will be used. Please use caution when driving in this area.

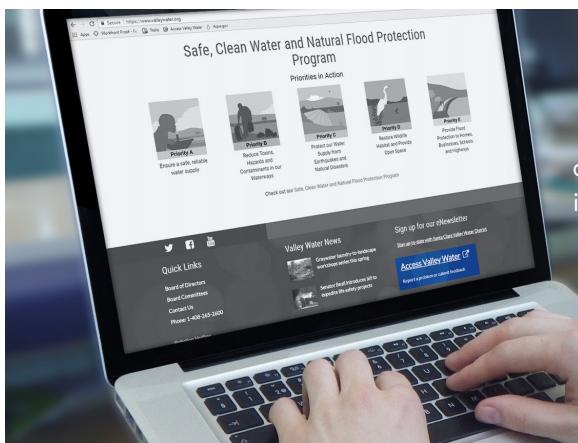
Work area and work



Ponds highlighted in yellow indicate project areas.



Similar work completed in Morgan Hill to remove sediment from groundwater recharge ponds.



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