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UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Director of Facilities

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Friday, November 10th, 2023

Re: Witter Field Renovation Project Update

Dear Neighbors,

Thank you for your continued patience with the Witter Field renovation project.

This message provides an update on anticipated parking restrictions and other impacts for the second week of November.

I have also attached progress photos showing the ongoing work at the site.

Work in Progress

As of today, Fri 11/10/23, Bothman continues the installation of the new football scoreboard piers/steel columns, goal post foundations, pole vault pit, etc. and prepping for the D-ring asphalt. Bothman started trucking in the class 2 baserock on Tue 11/8 (bringing the field up to finish grade). Palm and Winsor will continue to experience 10 to 20 trucks per day next week.

The completion date remains Monday 2/5/24, Bothman is on track to hit the recently updated, critical path, milestone task start dates. The completion date and milestone start dates are weather dependent.

Parking Restrictions

Parking restrictions will remain in place next week on Palm, upper Winsor and parts of Park View. Bothman is stating the restrictions need to remain due to the continuing import of class 2 baserock infill. The earliest parking restrictions might be lifted is the week of 11/20, thanksgiving week. We continue to receive complaints regarding trucks speeding on Palm Dr this week. Please inform me when you witness this behavior, a photo of the offending truck#/license would be very helpful. We have notified and reported to PPD and to Bothman. PPD has stated they will step up enforcement next week. We will also ask Bothman to remove the offending driver(s) from the project.

Parking restrictions remain on El Cerrito on through Tuesday 11/14. The restrictions are needed to accommodate the drill rig and concrete and material delivery trucks for the installation of the football scoreboard foundation and steel columns

Winsor driveway gate closure

For your safety, the pedestrian access gate on the Winsor Avenue driveway, which many residents use to access the Piedmont Park off-leash dog area will be closed during working hours: Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 4pm. The gate will be locked and chained during these periods. Please respect this closure, as construction activity on the driveway could pose a safety hazard to pedestrians and dogs.

We will keep the gate open for pedestrian access to the off-leash dog area outside of working hours and on weekends. Please email me if you find the gate chained outside of designated working hours.

Drainage Calculations

A 54 pg City approved encroachment permit and Verde Stormwater report was issued on dated 8/25/23

Per the City's request, PUSD has reduced the peak flow rate for the Witter Field area by approximately 20%, largely by detaining the water in storm events in the subsurface piping and rock drainage profile.

Updates and Contact Information

The District remains committed to providing regular updates to the community regarding the Witter Field renovation. We understand that construction is inconvenient and disruptive, and appreciate your continued patience, understanding, and cooperation as we complete this important project.

I will provide another update on construction activity and parking restrictions in approximately one week, no later than Friday, 11/17. All updates will continue to be posted on the PUSD website at <https://www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/ref/facilities/witter-field-renovation>.

I remain the point of contact for questions and concerns. Please feel free to reach out to me anytime at ppalmer@piedmont.k12ca.us or by phone at (510) 594-2877.

Regards,
Pete Palmer
PUSD, Director of Facilities/Construction Manager