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## UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Office of the Director of Facilities*

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**Friday, December 1st, 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 beginning of December.

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

### **Work in Progress**

As of today, Fri 12/1/23, Bothman has finished forming and pouring the D-ring discuss and shot put pads, and both long and triple jump sand pits. Bothman has demoed sections of the West side of the track in order to eliminate low points. Bothman is pushing to be ready to install the asphalt for the track repairs and the D-rings middle of next week. The Field Turf crew arrived on site Wed 11/27 and began laying out and prepping for the drain mat and turf installation, hitting the promised milestone date. The majority of the Field Turf materials and equipment were delivered to site this week

In order to preserve the paving critical path-milestone date next week. Bothman informed PUSD late Friday afternoon, 12/1 that they needed to work this Saturday, 12/2. Bothman assured PUSD that trucking would be minimal (not requiring parking restrictions on Palm or Winsor) and that work on Witter would not start until 8am.

***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 Field Turf material deliveries and the large equipment and asphalt delivery trucks required for next week's paving operations. The earliest parking restrictions might be lifted is the week of 12/11, once the paving operations are complete. We continue to receive complaints regarding trucks arriving before 8am and idling in front of residences. Please continue to report incidents such as this. We will continue to notify Bothman and their sub contractors, asking that offending drivers not return to the jobsite. We are also asking PPD to help monitor and enforce any truck traffic violations.

Parking restrictions on El Cerrito remain lifted until further notice.

### **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, 12/8. 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](mailto:ppalmer@piedmont.k12ca.us) or by phone at (510) 594-2877.

Regards,  
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