

April 30, 2024

Public Notice of San Rafael Encroachment Permit EP2403-030, Storm Water Sewer Line Relocation, and Tree Replacement Project.

In preparation for the construction of a new three-classroom building at Sun Valley Elementary School, the City of San Rafael has directed San Rafael City Schools (SRCS) to reroute and improve the 48-inch storm sewer line away from the new building's zone of influence.

Rerouting this 48 inch sewer line will require the removal and replacement of the two (2) large existing Bluegum Eucalyptuses at the corner of Happy Lane and 5th Avenue as a part of our permit for the work. The existing Eucalyptuses we are removing are listed with Fire Safe Marin as "Fire-Prone Plants." SRCS contracted with an arborist to examine these trees, and their summary states that these trees *"have structural defects that could result in unexpected large limb failure and serious personal injury or death. I recommend that these trees be removed and replaced with trees that have smaller stature at maturity and would be more suitable for this heavily used setting."*

These two (2) trees will be replaced with irrigated 48" box native trees: one (1) California Buckeye and one (1) Coast Live Oak.



SRCS has contracted with JL Construction to complete the work. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Molly Burke at 415-492-3208 or Molly.Burke@VPCSONline.com.

This Storm Sewer Relocation Project will begin on May 9, 2024 and continue until August 15, 2024.

San Rafael Encroachment Permits requires Public Notice signage must be placed at the project site, or written notice must be provided to all properties within 300' of the work site at least five (5) days prior to start of work.