

# Stream Maintenance Report August 24 – September 5, 2019

### **Projects and Permit Process Status**

Staff submitted *Notice of Proposed Work 1* (NPW1) to regulatory agencies on April 15. The submittal included 168 vegetation management projects, 12 bank repairs and 13 sediment removal projects. As of July 2, all projects included in NPW1 and anticipated to be completed this year have been approved.

Staff submitted *Notice of Proposed Work 2* (NPW2) on June 17. This submittal consisted of approximately 20 additional projects that were not included in NPW1 due to poor project site conditions prior to April 1 (e.g., too much water to perform survey work, biological assessments, etc.). Project approvals have been received for all projects included in NPW2.

In addition to the projects submitted this year, we have 5 projects which are carry over projects from last year and are approved for construction this year. These include an Instream Habitat Complexity Project on Los Gatos Creek, which was completed August 16.

Some significant sediment removal activities have begun or are anticipated to start soon, and with test results for most of the sites indicating sediment will need to be disposed of at landfills instead of being delivered to Pond A8 for reuse, disposal costs are expected to be high.

Vegetation management for fire suppression began in March with mowing in the east foothills. Due to the late rains, some areas have been re-mowed. Hand mowing has been completed county wide; mechanical mowing will be finished in the coming weeks.

WORK TYPE	LOCATION	MUNICIPALITY	DISTRICT (DIRECTOR)	STATUS
Minor maintenance – concrete repair	Barron Creek at Bryant Street*	Palo Alto	7 (Kremen)	Completed 8/23/19
Sediment removal	Guadalupe River, from Montague Expressway to Trimble Road	San Jose, Santa Clara	3 (Santos)	Completed 8/30/19
Sediment removal	Sierra Creek downstream of Mauna Kea Lane	San Jose	3 (Santos)	Completed 9/3/19
Bank (levee) protection – rodent control	Uvas Creek, from Miller Avenue to end of levee (inboard)*, **	Gilroy	1 (Varela)	Ongoing; started 7/1/19
Minor maintenance – concrete repair	San Tomas Aquino Creek, from USGS gage near Williams Road to Virginia Avenue*	San Jose, Campbell	2 (Keegan), 4 (LeZotte)	Ongoing; started 7/16/19
Sediment removal	Guadalupe River, from Tasman Drive to Montague Expressway	San Jose, Santa Clara	3 (Santos)	Ongoing; started 8/12/19
Sediment removal, bank protection	Sunnyvale East Channel downstream of Highway 237	Sunnyvale	3 (Santos)	Ongoing; started 8/14/19

# Work Status: SMP sediment removal, bank protection, minor maintenance, and instream habitat improvement projects either completed and/or ongoing during this reporting period

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Sediment removal, bank protection	Stevens Creek upstream of Crittenden Lane	Mountain View	7 (Kremen)	Ongoing; started 8/19/19
Sediment removal	Llagas Creek upstream of Highway 152	Gilroy	1 (Varela)	Ongoing; started 8/19/19
Minor maintenance – sediment removal	Canoas Creek, Branham Lane to Lean Avenue	San Jose	4 (LeZotte)	Ongoing; started 8/20/19
Bank protection	Thompson Creek upstream of Yerba Buena Avenue	San Jose	1 (Varela)	Ongoing; started 9/4/19

\* Work performed by contractor

\*\* Work not performed under SMP

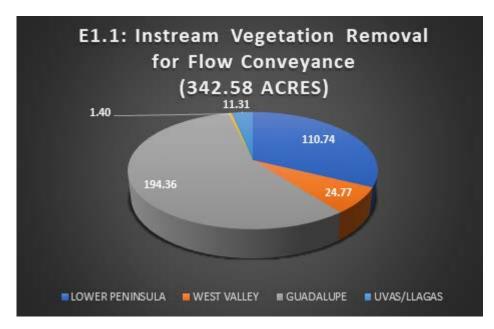
### Safe Clean Water Priority D1: Management of Revegetation Projects Mitigation Site Maintenance

We performed no D1 work for this month.

This Safe Clean Water (SCW) project supports District maintenance of at least 300 acres of existing revegetation projects throughout the five watersheds and provides for maintenance of future revegetation sites.

### Safe Clean Water Priority E.1.1: Vegetation Control for Capacity

Aquatic Herbicide Application, Vegetation Removal < 6' dbh, Tree Removal 6–12" dbh, Limb Removal > 4" dbh

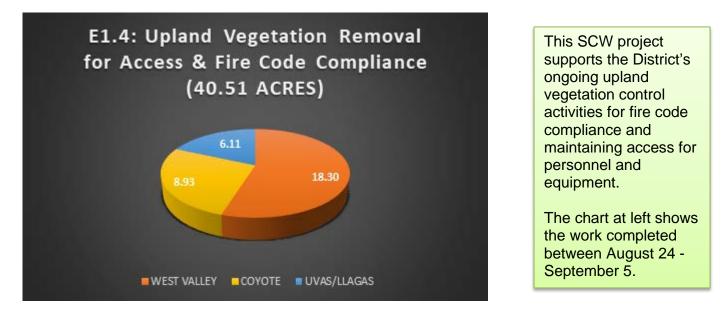


This SCW project supports the District's ongoing instream vegetation removal activities for flow conveyance.

The chart at left shows the work completed between August 24 -September 5.

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#### Safe Clean Water Priority E.1.4: Vegetation Management for Access Access Pruning, Weed Abatement, Upland Herbicide Application



The information in this report has been provided by Valley Water staff for SMP work between August 24 and September 5, 2019. As information is gathered, some of the data reported here may change.

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