Dear neighbors,

Earlier this summer, you may have received Valley Water’s annual Stream Maintenance Program (SMP) informational mailer. As part of that effort, Valley Water would like to highlight the work occurring along Guadalupe River to repair an eroded bank downstream of Willow Street in San Jose. Construction crews and equipment are accessing Guadalupe River through the Valley Water lot along Willow Street, located on the east bank of the river. Trucks are expected to drive to and from the site on Willow Street, and the project is anticipated to be complete by the end of September 2024. These repairs will help restore the creek bank and help protect neighboring homes and property from damage.

Work on SMP projects typically occurs Monday through Friday, but Saturday work may be necessary to complete some projects. Work hours are set by local city ordinances with major work between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Any work occurring between 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. will be limited to preparation activities with minimal noise impact to neighbors.

Valley Water owns and manages about 295 miles of streams. Each year, portions of these streams are inspected and prioritized for maintenance projects. For decades, our crews have been trekking into streams to remove sediment build-up, manage vegetation, clear trash and debris, and stabilize banks that have eroded during high water flows. The SMP ensures streams with completed flood protection projects continue to function and to protect homes, businesses, schools, and highways.

More details about the SMP program, the nature of the work planned, and other project locations can be found on the SMP website at https://delivr.com/2gpuq.

The SMP is funded in part by the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (Safe, Clean Water Program).

In November 2020, voters in Santa Clara County overwhelmingly approved Measure S, which was a renewal of the original Safe, Clean Water program approved by voters in 2012. Detailed information about the program can be found at https://www.valleywater.org/safe-clean-water-and-natural-flood-protection-program.

For any questions, please contact the neighborhood liaison, Mark Williams via email at mwilliams@valleywater.org.

Sincerely,
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