

# GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT NEWS

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## Engineering and Finance Plan Shows District Prepared For Long Term Customer Needs

Goleta West Sanitary District recently completed a detailed 20-year Wastewater Facilities Engineering and Financial Plan. The exhaustive study evaluated the condition of our pipelines, manholes, pumps, and other facilities, and made recommendations for rehabilitation and replacement over the next 20 years. A long term financial plan was also developed. The plans are dynamic and will be periodically updated.



## High-Tech Tools Help Our Certified Professional Operators To Protect Health and the Environment

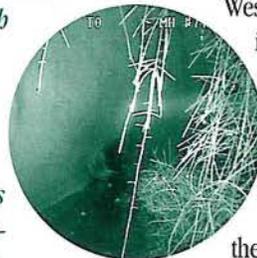


*With the sanitary system reaching one-half century old in many areas, additional efforts are needed to maintain our exceptional record of protecting public health and the environment. Goleta West Sanitary recently purchased special video equipment designed to maneuver through sewers and record their condition.*



*After the need for maintenance is determined, our crews clean pipes with a giant vacuum and water jet truck, or the pipelines with problems are lined or replaced.*

*This picture is taken from the new video system. It shows an area where roots have broken into a sewer pipe. We input video such as this into a computerized mapping and software system that makes it easily accessible to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of maintenance and upgrade work.*



## Sufficient Reserves

Due to years of good planning, Goleta West Sanitary District has sufficient reserve funds to move forward with needed improvements to the system. Goleta West maintains healthy finances, adequate reserve funds and our rates remain among the lowest in the state.

## Wide Variety of Facilities

The recommended improvements cover a wide variety of the District's facilities, among them pipelines, manholes, force mains, district buildings, pump stations, lift stations, vehicles and other assets.

## Future of Treatment Plant

Currently, we contract with Goleta Sanitary District for wastewater treatment and disposal. Because their treatment facility may be required by regulators to undergo costly upgrades, Goleta West Sanitary District is evaluating the feasibility of building its own treatment plant with the goals of meeting higher environmental standards, decreasing long-term treatment costs, and increasing the availability of recycled water in the Goleta Valley. We will keep our customers informed as the evaluation unfolds and we learn more.

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## Note: Changes To Street Sweeping Schedule

Street sweeping makes nicer neighborhoods and protects the ocean from trash that would otherwise end up in storm drains and creeks that flow to the ocean.

## We Need Your Help

**PLEASE REMOVE YOUR CAR FROM THE STREET ON THE DAY SWEEPING IS SCHEDULED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.**



### Street Sweeping Schedule

#### All Areas Are Swept Every Other Week

Every Other Monday	All of Isla Vista
Every Other Tuesday	Isla Vista East Only • Hollister Avenue • Industrial Area
Every Other Wednesday	Los Carneros Area • Phelps Area • Santa Barbara Shores • Cannon Green
Every Other Thursday	Brandon • Bradford • Northgate • Del Norte • Dos Pueblos Area

**NOTE:** To improve efficiency, the District has changed its schedule for street sweeping in Isla Vista. Sweeping in Isla Vista East only, from east of Camino Pescadero, has been moved from every other Monday to every other Tuesday. Sweeping in all of Isla Vista will continue every other Monday.

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## Environmentally Friendly Creek Project

Final steps prior to construction are now being taken for a \$5 million project to upgrade over one mile of aging pipeline along Devereux Creek.

The work is needed to prevent the aging pipe from leaking wastewater into the environmentally sensitive creek habitat.

To satisfy environmental considerations and the concerns of local residents, the District will avoid extensive digging and surface construction along the creek. Instead, the District will install a new pipeline along Hollister Avenue to take up some of the flows that would otherwise strain the creek pipeline, and use new technology to line the pipeline in the creek without the need for digging it up.

## Make Your Drains and Sewers Fat Free

Don't pour grease down sinks or toilets. It can clog drains and cause sewage overflows. Instead, put grease in the trash.



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