

# DISTRICT **6** NEIGHBORHOOD NOTICE



## A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT 6 COUNCILMEMBER STEVE MADISON

Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration Project Start Date is set for Monday, January 4, 2021. We have provided the Public Works Department's information on the scope of the work and a link to the project website. Many thanks to the many community members who participated in the meetings with the staff and me.



## ARROYO NOTIFICATION

### Lower Arroyo Habitat Restoration - Project Start Date: Monday, January 4, 2021

Work is scheduled to begin on Monday, January 4 and will be completed the first week of March. Work will be done on weekdays starting at 7:00am. The areas impacted by the project extend from just south of the Van de Kamp Bridge to the Casting Pond. The park will remain open during the project, but some small areas of the Lower Arroyo will be periodically closed for the approved tree and plant removals. A majority of the plantings and restoration efforts will occur in the direct vicinity of the Van de Kamp Bridge.

Signage was posted this week to identify the 52 non-native (as defined by UFAC) and 11 dead trees ('snags') scheduled for removal. Additional trees will be trimmed as necessary under the supervision of an arborist.

The scope of habitat restoration efforts also includes:

- Manual removal of herbaceous non-native plants (weeds);
- De-compaction of soils to prepare for native plant establishment;
- Installation of planting materials including: three Southern California black walnut, 14 coast live oak, 17 western sycamore, and approximately 2000 understory shrubs and herbaceous plants;
- Installation of a new irrigation system to assist in the establishment of new native trees and plants;
- Installation of environmentally suitable erosion control measures (as needed);
- Placement of natural boulders/rocks (arroyo stone) to create natural barriers for habitat protection and provide habitat values for wildlife;
- Placement of coarse woody debris (prepared logs and branches from removed trees) to provide natural seating, natural barriers along trails, and assemblages within the planting areas to provide wildlife cover; and
- Installation of natural mulch around planting areas.

The City's environmental consultant, Psomas, will have restoration ecologists and wildlife biologists on site during the removals and habitat restoration work to ensure minimal impacts to wildlife and surrounding habitat.

After the work is completed, the contractor will provide maintenance on the irrigation system and planting materials for a 90-day period. There is a one-year guarantee on the newly planted trees.

In addition, the City is negotiating a post-construction 5-year sustainability program to provide supplemental environmental services to ensure native plant and tree establishment, and in turn establishment of native habitat.

If you have any questions regarding the project, the City has a project website with agenda reports and presentations describing the work and it's benefits

<https://www.cityofpasadena.net/public-works/engineering-and-construction/construction/lower-arroyo-seco-habitat/>.

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#### **COUNCILMEMBER STEVE MADISON**

Steve Madison was first elected in 1999 to represent District 6, which includes the beautiful West Pasadena neighborhoods above the Rose Bowl and in Southwest Pasadena, much of Old Pasadena, the Art Center College of Design, the Convention Center & Civic Auditorium, most of the Arroyo Seco, the historic Colorado Street Bridge, and the..... [Read More](#)



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