

Pipeline Construction Scheduled to Begin Along North El Camino Real Next Week

Encinitas, CA—Olivenhain Municipal Water District will begin construction to replace aging water infrastructure in El Camino Real the week of March 23. To reduce traffic impacts, all work will take place at night, between 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., Monday through Thursday.

The work marks the start of the El Camino Real Potable Water Pipeline Replacement and Green Bike Lane Striping Project, on which construction is expected to last about one year.

OMWD will replace approximately 4,700 linear feet of existing 12-inch diameter potable water pipeline along North El Camino Real from Encinitas Boulevard to Garden View Road and approximately 650 linear feet of existing 12-inch diameter pipeline between Via Molena and Mountain Vista Drive. Water service lines and fire hydrant laterals served by the existing pipelines will also be replaced.

The two pipelines that will be replaced were originally installed in 1961 and 1974, and are approaching the end of their lifespan. To prevent water main breaks and ensure reliable service, OMWD is taking a proactive approach to the repair and replacement of aging water infrastructure.

After OMWD's pipeline work is complete, the City of Encinitas will implement traffic calming measures and improve safety and mobility for bicyclists along North El Camino Real from Encinitas Boulevard to Leucadia Boulevard by restriping and narrowing travel lanes. The two agencies have combined efforts to take advantage of cost and time savings and to reduce impacts to area residents and businesses.

Project updates can be found at www.olivenhain.com/projects and by following OMWD on Facebook and Twitter.

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Olivenhain Municipal Water District is a public agency providing water, wastewater services, recycled water, hydroelectricity, and operation of Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve. Organized in 1959, OMWD currently serves approximately 86,000 customers over 48 square miles in northern San Diego County.

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