

# **Cordova Creek Naturalization Project**

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## About this Newsletter

This newsletter provides current information about the Cordova Creek Naturalization Project (Project). For your reference, a project map is printed on the back of the newsletter. If you have questions, please contact the project staff listed below.

#### Background

The Project was developed by a partner group including Sacramento County Departments of Water Resources & Regional Parks, Water Forum, City of Rancho Cordova, Soil Born Farms, California Native Plant Society, and Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.

The Project will remove the existing trapezoidal shaped concrete-lined channel and replace it with a natural winding channel that complements the current land use and will create a functioning, living stream to improve the environment.

The newly created channel area will be landscaped as a natural riparian corridor by planting native trees, shrubs, and groundcovers along the stream banks, wetland areas, and surrounding uplands.

A walking trail with interpretive signs will be constructed to provide public access from the Dedo Way River Access along the southern edge of the Project area to the American River Parkway. The Project will complement 80 acres of recently restored riparian woodlands/native grasslands to the west and the 50-acre organic farm and native plant nursery to the east.

## **Updates**

The Board of Supervisors approved advertising the Project for construction bids on March 10, 2015. The public bid opening was May 7, 2015. There were seven bids submitted. The Board of Supervisors awarded the construction contract to the low bidder – Hanford Applied Restoration & Conservation.

Due to the complex nature of the Project, it has been determined that the best way to construct the Project is in two phases. Phase 1 will occur this fall and Phase 2 will occur next summer/fall.

## **Quality Control**

Russell Burch is the construction inspector for the Project. He will resolve most field issues and ensure the work meets the design specifications. Scott Hutcheson is the Resident Engineer. He will oversee construction and handle major field issues.

## Schedule

- Phase 1 Construction August Dec. 2015
- Phase 2 Construction June Dec. 2016 All dates are tentative and subject to change

Additional information can be viewed online at <u>www.saccodwr.org</u> search: Cordova Creek Project

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