



American River Common Features 2016 American River Erosion Monthly Update

December 2023

Highlights (last 30+ days)

Another successful construction season has come to an end, bringing a new level of flood protection to the communities surrounding the American River. This newsletter will be placed on pause until construction resumes in 2024. See the *Question of the Month* below for what to expect.

Contract 1 (Site 2-1)

Revegetation is complete at site 2-1 with natural recruitment in the planting benches at the water's edge exhibiting strong, vigorous growth.

Contract 2 (Site 2-3 & 2-2, Season 2, H St. bridge to Howe Ave)

Site 2-3 and site 2-2 are complete including added riprap protection around the H St and Howe Ave bridge abutments. Bike trail subgrade preparations are complete.

Revegetation of Season 1 areas by the golf course began in November.

Mitigation Contract C (Rio Americano and Rossmoor West sites)

The sites were irrigated, maintained and monitored for performance.

Mitigation Contract E1A (Paradise Bend)

Irrigation installation is complete. Final planting began.

Looking Ahead (next 30+ days)

Current Activity - What can I expect?

Work hours: Monday-Saturday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Contract 1 (Site 2-1)

With Revegetation plantings complete, the site will now be irrigated, maintained and monitored for performance.

Contract 2 (Site 2-3 & 2-2, Season 2, H St. bridge to Howe Ave)

Bike trail restoration will be completed with the placement of new pavement in areas affected by our work.

Revegetation of Season 1 areas will be completed in December. Thereafter, the site will be irrigated, maintained and monitored for performance.

Following final site clean up, the contractor will demobilize in mid-December. Access to the bike trail and sites upstream of H St will be restored. The campus commons golf course will remain fenced off and the adjacent bike detour in place, to facilitate golf course restoration efforts by SAFCA next spring.

Mitigation Contract C (Rio Americano and Rossmoor West sites)

These sites are fully planted and are now being irrigated, maintained and monitored for performance.

Mitigation E1A (Paradise Bend)

Plantings will be completed and then the site will be irrigated, maintained and monitored for performance.

Question of the Month

Now that Construction is essentially done for the 2023 season, what should we expect next?

The construction sites have been prepared for the rainy season. Grasses may begin to emerge across the site if temperatures and rain are favorable. Eventually voluntary vegetation along with planted vegetation will become dormant as the temperatures drop. Sites will not change much through the winter unless there are high flows such as we experienced in early 2023.

Spring will bring the sites to life again as willow poles, cotton woods and other herbaceous plants resume the vigorous growth we saw this summer. During spring and summer of 2024 the sites constructed in 2023 (2-3 season 2 and 2-2) will be revegetated. Also during the spring of 2024, the Campus Commons Golf course will be reconstructed.

In the spring of 2024 we will begin a new construction contract (C3A) which will provide erosion protection in another high risk area adjacent to the I-80 Bridge. Vegetation clearing for this contract will occur during the winter of 2023/2024.

Information Resources:

Project Webpage:

www.sacleveeupgrades.com

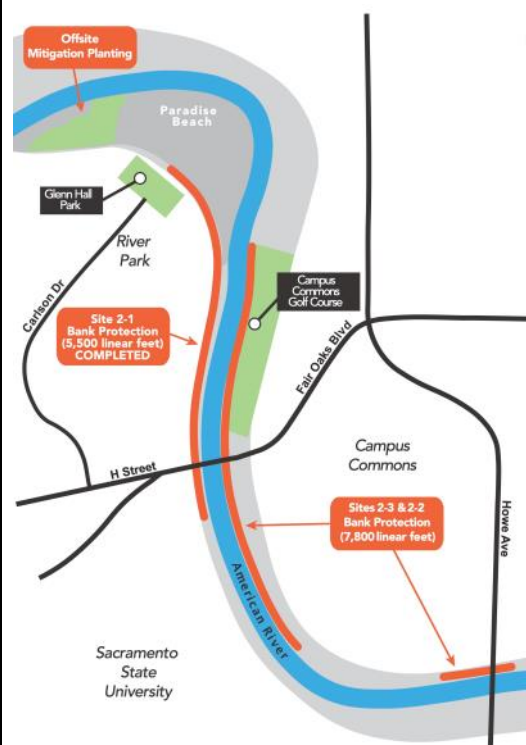


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Upcoming Milestones

LAR Contract 1 & 2 S1

Revegetation

September—December 2023

LAR Contract 2

Construction (Season 2)

May - December 2023

Mitigation E1A

Final Vegetation Clearing

December 2023

LAR Contract C3A

Construction

May - November 2024

Additional information regarding this project can be found at

www.sacleveeupgrades.com

**All Dates Subject to Change*