

UNWI 9

Sylvan Old Auburn Road (SOAR) Meeting Recap July 23, 2007

Attendees

- Bill Chavez, SRCSD District Project Manager
- Bernie Galvin, SRCSD CMO
- Alejandro Salazar, UNWI 9 Field Engineer/Construction Liaison
- Cinamon Vann, Lucy & Company

There were 15 people in attendance at the July 23 meeting with SOAR at the Pioneer Baptist Church.

Bernie Galvin provided general background information and showed a map of the project alignment. She explained that the projects are a joint effort between Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) and County Sanitation District 1 (CSD-1). She explained that SRCSD, the district responsible for providing wastewater conveyance, treatment and disposal, will own and operate the UNWI 9 interceptor. Galvin also explained that CSD-1 is the district responsible for the operation and maintenance of the smaller pipes and pump stations that collect local wastewater, and will own and operate NEA 1 and NEA 2.

Galvin noted that the wastewater treatment plant operated by SRCSD treats 160 million gallons of wastewater every day. She explained that the current system is at capacity and the improvements are needed. She discussed the use of “Big Stan,” the world’s largest truck mounted auger, and that 41 shafts would be drilled. The diameter of the shafts would be approximately 16 feet.

Question: What about dust?

Answer: There are mitigation measures for dust. The contractors have to work within strict regulations. For example, they have to have a water truck. If you see dust, call us.

Question: What about the traffic impacts?

Bernie Galvin explained the hours of work and then directed the question to Bill Chavez and Alejandro Salazar.

Answer: There will be traffic controls in place when they’re working at each shaft. Most augering will be in the center turning lane. Traffic will be diverted around them. We are asking people to consider using different routes when they can. There will be delays at certain times each day—9 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Question: Will traffic be able to go both ways?

Answer: Yes. However, from some residences you may have a right turn only for safety reasons.

Question: Will I be able to turn left?

Answer: Yes, at certain spots. We won’t be closing off the entire center lane, just at each shaft and one at a time.

Question: Are you working between Sylvan and Van Maren at the same time as the road work being done on Greenback?

Answer: Yes. We are working very closely with Citrus Heights. There should be a very short overlap time. We'll still have a lane in every direction and two lanes in heavy commute directions. You'll still be able to use the same roads. You do have three major projects all going on at the same time in Citrus Heights.

Comment: I understand that it's necessary. It's just the timing.

Question: Where are the interceptors?

Answer: Upper Northwest Interceptor Section 9 (UNWI 9) involves the installation of 36-inch sewer interceptor pipelines along Auburn Boulevard and Old Auburn Road. Northeast Area 1 (NEA 1) involves installing a 36-inch sewer line along Oak Avenue between Hazel Avenue and Fair Oaks Boulevard. It also includes a small section of pipeline along Fair Oaks Boulevard between Old Auburn Road and Oak Avenue. Northeast Area 2 (NEA 2) involves installing a 24-inch sewer line located along Old Auburn Road between Fair Oaks Boulevard and Robert Creek Court.

Question: What's the construction period between Sylvan and Van Maren?

Answer: There will be construction at three points along the alignment and the open cut will happen in five to six months. It's too late to start the open cut this year. "Big Stan" will excavate all 41 shafts, one after the other. Once the shaft is done, it will be plated and then the work area will be minimized. You'll have your normal lane size back.

Question: How long till they get to my area, Mariposa?

Answer: A couple of weeks.

Alejandro Salazar noted to the whole group that the project team would be starting work and setting up traffic controls next week, beginning with about 1,000 feet of work zone.

Alejandro Salazar: We have a contract with Citrus Heights police to help us enforce the construction zone speed limits.

Question: Will the speeding fines be double?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Alejandro, what's your phone number?

Alejandro gave his phone number and the hotline number (1-866-479-0600). Bernie asked people to call if they had any concerns or if they see anything suspicious.