

## **CITY OF MORRO BAY**

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## **CONSTRUCTION NOTICE:** TREE REMOVAL SCHEDULED FOR MORRO BAY WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY PROJECT PIPELINES

As early as Friday, Jan. 22, 2021, the City of Morro Bay's contractor will be conducting tree removal work in approved areas along the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Pipelines alignment in Morro Bay. By early February 2021, the City's contractor is scheduled to begin construction on the WRF Pipelines and Offsite Facilities, and the trees are impeding construction and must be removed to complete the project.

What To Expect: Local, experienced professionals will remove identified trees in the safest way possible for the trees, the construction crews and the traveling public. The work locations include the bike path south of Atascadero Road near Lila Keiser Park, and the City-owned property (site of an existing lift station) on Embarcadero Road. The bike path will remain open during the tree removal, and crews will ensure public safety near the work zone. The work will occur within the public right-of-way, was approved by the California Coastal Commission as part of the project-specific Coastal Development Permit and is covered by the WRF Environmental Impact Report.

When:

Tree removal work will be scheduled on weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is expected to be complete by early February 2021. Additional trees and shrubs may be removed during construction based on the tree health and proximity to work, as determined on a case-by-case basis by a qualified tree professional.

Why:

This tree removal work must be completed in advance of construction of the WRF Pipelines on Atascadero Road, Main Street, Quintana Road and South Bay Boulevard. The City of Morro Bay is investing in the construction of the WRF Program that will protect our environment, and provide a safe, clean and reliable water supply for our community.

The WRF Program involves replacing the City's existing wastewater treatment plant with an advanced water purification facility that will meet state regulations, protect the environment, and contribute a safe and reliable water source for Morro Bay's homes and businesses. The project will create a drought buffer and will be capable of providing up to 80 percent of the City's water needs in the future.

Contact:

Please contact 877-MORROBAYH2O with questions about this work or for more information about the City's WRF Program. Thank you for your patience as this work is completed.