



A message from Irvine Ranch Water District

Work to begin on Harvard Avenue Trunk Sewer Project

Who: Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD)

When: From late June/early July 2007 to Spring 2008

Where: Located along Harvard Avenue near the Main Street intersection and along the bicycle path near the San Joaquin Flood Channel (see map on reverse)

Project Summary

Shortly the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) will expand the existing Harvard Avenue Trunk Sewer. Sewage for the Harvard and Main area is currently sent to the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) for treatment. OCSD recently informed IRWD of planned rate increases. By extending this service line, IRWD will instead collect and transfer the wastewater to its nearby Michelson Water Reclamation Plant for treatment and recycled water production. Recycled water is used for landscape irrigation on golf courses, parks, school grounds, greenbelts, and street medians. When completed, this extension will help IRWD keep its rates among the lowest in Orange County.

Construction is planned to begin in mid/late June and is expected to be completed in spring 2008. Work includes a new diversion structure, pipeline extension, and a lift station. Work will occur in the streets (Harvard and Main) and also will occur in existing IRWD easements along the bike path parallel to Harvard Avenue near the San Joaquin Flood Channel. **During construction all roads will remain open but lane closures will be required. In addition, portions of the bicycle path along Harvard Avenue will be closed during construction and detours will be posted. Sewer and water service will not be impacted during construction.**

Work Hours: The City of Irvine has approved 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday as the project's work hours, although these hours may be revised as needed.

More information: Questions may be directed to Jo Ann Corey or Marilyn Smith in the IRWD Public Affairs Department at (949) 453-5500. We apologize for any inconvenience this project may cause and thank you in advance for your patience.