

Dear Neighbors,

I am the Community Affairs Representative for the Moraga area. I am reaching out regarding the natural landslide along the Lafayette Moraga Trail and Moraga Creek in the Moraga Country Club area and want you to be aware that I am available to be the point of contact for both residents and interested parties.

Current situation: An earlier slide was first noticed in January and was limited to the trail area near Moraga Creek at Canyon Road. The trail area was covered in plastic to protect soils from rain, and in coordination with EBRPD the trail was closed. EBMUD hired a specialist to assess the area and no other action was warranted at that time. Additional studies were recommended and EBMUD had started that process.

Last week a second natural slide occurred that affected the private property adjacent to and above EBMUD property. EBMUD covered the secondary slide area with plastic to prevent more rain from getting into the soil. The ground is too unstable for any work involving heavy equipment. EBMUD contacted the HOA and they were gracious enough to send out notifications to all members. EBMUD is working to keep the area safe and will continue to monitor the slide and creek flows and protect the area with tarps. For public safety, EBMUD will remove trees on the slope. EBMUD is working with environmental and geotechnical experts on next steps.

We strongly encourage everyone to respect the trail closure signs and stay away from the unstable area. If you live near a slope, do not irrigate your property to minimize the amount of water saturating the slope. During the rainy season, irrigation should be turned off. During rains, control drainage from your property and direct it to an appropriate location (storm drain or engineered culvert). If you observe a slide, on EBMUD lands, call us 24/7 (866) 403-2683 or contact the Town of Moraga at (925)-888-7040. If there is an emergency call 911. The Town of Moraga is the lead agency for determining the safety of homes or private property. The Town has inspected the affected homes and advised on safety.

If you have questions or concerns please contact me, Michelle Blackwell, Community Affairs EBMUD (510) 287 2053, mblackwe@ebmud.com. After-hours call (866) 403-2683 and EBMUD dispatch will connect you with the standby contact. If there is an emergency, please contact 911. EBMUD will be posting information on ebmud.com in the next few days.

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