# Diablo Vista Pumping Plant Construction Frequently Asked Questions

## **Plant Exterior Design**

What will the final landscaping look like? The landscape and architectural design was developed through an open process over three years. A rendering of the landscaping design is pictured at right.

What will happen to the Mulberry Trees? The Mulberry Trees between the cemetery and Mt Diablo Ct. will be removed.

How noisy will the new plant be? Noise and vibration have been accounted for in design with sound retaining features such as sound traps for the ventilation and sound attenuating doors.



#### Traffic

#### What lanes of traffic will be

closed at what times of the day and on weekends as well as start and stop times and phasing? Construction is planned for the fall of 2015 until the summer of 2017. Pipeline construction may occur at any time during this period with the exception of the pipeline near the Lafayette Park Hotel which is restricted from March of 2016 – through August of 2016. Standard work hours are M-F 8am to 8pm. Lane closures will vary with the different phases of construction per the Traffic Control Plan. The normal traffic pattern will be restored at the end of each work day.

How will EBMUD coordinate with the City to turn the traffic lights on when we do not have flaggers at the intersection with the hotel? Construction inspection will contact the City.

What type of delays should motorists expect when we have traffic control in place? Per the District's traffic study prepared by PHA Transportation Consultants, delays will not be significant. The existing levels of service will be maintained due to the high capacity of Mt Diablo Blvd. Mild delays will be felt by those entering Mt. Diablo Blvd from Mt. Diablo Ct.

Will the north lanes be open when we are not working? Yes, staging is only allowed in the non-lane area on the north side of Mt Diablo Blvd.

**Will EBMUD close the bike lane on the south side of Mt Diablo?** Yes, during the storm drain relocation and pipeline construction near the new Pumping Plant site at Mt Diablo Ct. and Mt Diablo Blvd the bike lane will be closed. Construction signs will be installed to direct pedestrians and bicyclists to the other side of the street opposite construction activity.

### **Parking**

Can EBMUD move staging to the lot across from Acalanes or to Pleasant Hill Rd under the freeway? The Mt. Diablo Blvd staging area was formalized with the City two years ago in the land exchange agreement. Alternative staging areas are not adjacent to the work and would result in a higher cost to the rate payers. EBMUD worked diligently and collaboratively to obtain the staging areas for the project on Mt. Diablo Blvd and at the Lafayette Cemetery.

Can EBMUD open up parking in front of the cemetery during construction? During the storm drain relocation and pipeline construction near the new Pumping Plant site at Mt Diablo Ct. and Mt Diablo Blvd. the area in front of the Lafayette Cemetery will be impacted by rerouted traffic patterns.

Can the Hotel employee's park at another location like the Olympic Staging Area? The trail head is already impacted and it cannot accommodate additional parking for this project.