

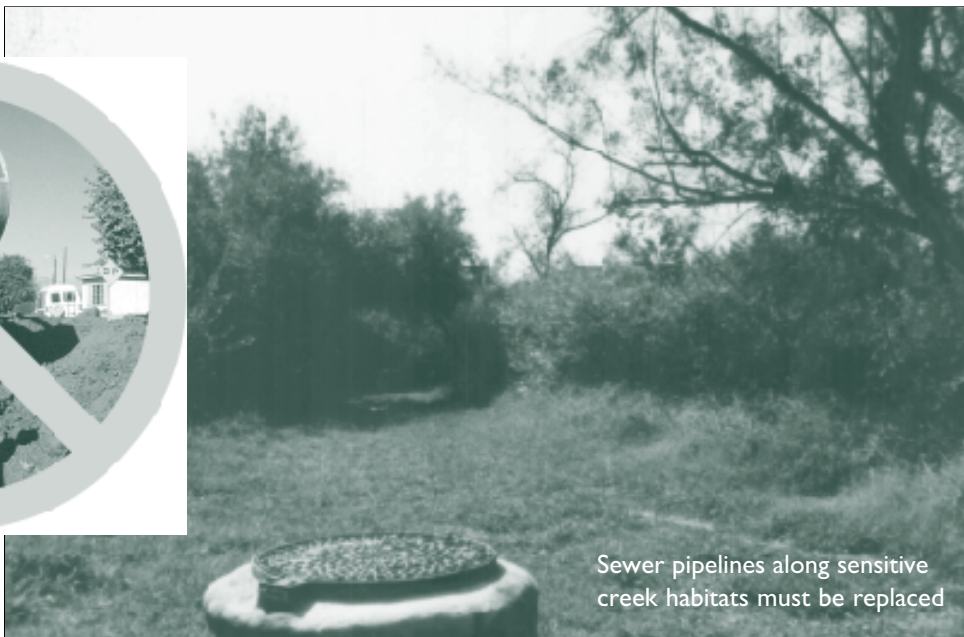


THE GOLETA WEST COLLECTOR

GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT

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Goleta West Sanitary District has developed an innovative plan to replace old pipelines along environmentally sensitive creeks. The entire \$3 million project can be accomplished without raising rates and with minimal digging.



Sewer pipelines along sensitive creek habitats must be replaced

Healthy Finances Keeps Rates Low for Customers

Thanks to prudent fiscal management, Goleta West Sanitary is debt-free and able to make needed improvements to its infrastructure without increasing rates to our customers. As you can see in the chart below, we have one of the lowest monthly rates in the area.

Maximum Monthly Sewer Service Charges for a Single Family Home

Goleta
\$13.86

Goleta West
\$14.00

Santa Barbara \$19.56

Montecito \$23.33

Carpinteria \$33.17

Summerland \$38.33

Pipeline Along Creek Must Be Replaced

Sensitive Environmental Habitat

Goleta West's sewer pipelines were placed alongside local creeks in the 1960s. At the time this was considered a low-cost way to route pipelines. Today, those creek ways are sensitive environmental habitat.

Critically Needed Pipeline Project

Many of those sewer pipelines are old, sagging in the damp soil and being invaded by roots from large trees. The District must replace them to prevent future spills that threaten public health and the environment. The challenge is how to replace the pipelines without digging up the sensitive habitat. Goleta West Sanitary District has developed a \$3 million plan that uses

an innovative pipe-bursting technique to replace the pipelines without harming the environment.

Innovative Technique Protects the Environment

Pipe bursting involves cutting into the pipe at selected points and inserting a thick but flexible plastic insert. The insert is pulled through the old pipe, cracking it apart underground with very little activity needed at the surface.

No Rate Change Needed

Goleta West Sanitary District's healthy finances and construction reserve fund allow it to pay for the needed pipeline improvement without changing rates. The District is working to obtain permits and will begin work after the winter rains.

Street Sweeping Schedule

Thank You for Moving Your Car on Street Sweeping Days

Please remember to remove your car from the street on the day street sweeping is scheduled (see chart below) in your neighborhood. Regular sweeping prevents debris from entering storm drains and polluting the ocean.

All Areas Are Swept Every Other Week	
Isla Vista East, Hollister Avenue, Industrial Area	Every Other Monday
Los Carneros Area, Phelps Area, Santa Barbara Shores, Cannon Green, San Miguel Tract, Mountain View Ranch, Winchester Commons	Every Other Wednesday
Brandon, Bradford, Northgate, Del Norte, Dos Pueblos Area	Every Other Thursday

Fat Free is Good for Sinks and Sewers

Grease dumped down sinks can build up on the inside of household and District pipelines, eventually leading to clogs and overflows of sewage. Please do not pour grease down sink drains or toilets. Instead, scrape grease and greasy food into a can or the trash for disposal.



Project Clean Water Is Everybody's Business

Keeping our creeks and beaches clean requires an effort on everybody's part. Here are some ways you can help:

- Dispose of household hazardous waste at the free drop off center. Call 963-0583 ext. 105.
- Redirect runoff from your roof to your lawn, not the sewer.
- Minimize the use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides.
- Dispose of animal waste in the trash.
- Promptly repair any problem that causes fluids to leak from your car.

Healthy District Finances Will Cover Costly Upgrades Without Rate Change

Goleta West Sanitary District's decades old pipeline system requires upgrades in addition to the projects described on the opposite page. The District created a comprehensive plan to upgrade and replace pipelines, pump stations and other facilities. The District's sound finances and healthy reserves make it possible to complete these projects without changing rates.

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