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Moraga PTA volunteers to pack classrooms for Measure V summer improvements



Camino Pablo Elementary School prepares for Measure V improvements.

Photo Vera Kochan

By Vera Kochan

Beginning June 11, four days after schools close for the

summer, Camino Pablo and Donald L. Rheem Elementary will begin major construction improvements on campus thanks to funds from

Measure V.

Five portable classrooms have already been installed at both locations. Renovations to the 50-plus-year-old

schools include strengthening seismic integrity of buildings, modernizing classrooms and offices, improving safety conditions and upgrading restrooms, plumbing, mechanical units and utilities.

Many teachers have occupied the same classroom for several years and have accumulated countless amounts of materials and supplies that will need to be packed up before the renovations, and then unpacked again to use during the next school session. To that end, a battalion of volunteers from the community are planning to pitch in and help.

Executive Assistant to the

By Vera Kochan

The recommended draining

of water, dirt and sediment

the damaged Corrugated

lot at the corner of Center

previously discovered inside

Metal Pipe under the parking

Street and Rheem Boulevard

both the Moraga Star Gas Sta-

tion and the Rheem Shopping

The property owners of

Superintendent Jennifer Baier stated, "My principals say they have plenty of help from their PTA parents. They are in good shape for packing and we have professional movers moving all boxes to storage."

Citizens are cautioned that while renovations are in progress both campuses will have heavy and dangerous equipment on the premises, making fields and playgrounds possibly unsafe for

Los Perales Elementary and Joaquin Moraga Intermediate schools are scheduled for renovations and improvements during the summer of 2020.

Rheem sinkhole repairs making slow progress



Smaller sediment basin

Photo Vera Kochan

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Center had been informed by inspectors and contractors on the project that this move was necessary prior to reshaping and lining the damaged CMP. Two sediment basins have been installed behind the post office by MSI, the Rheem Center property owner's contractor. A sedi-

has begun.

Town Council Wednesday, June 12, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Blvd.

Planning Commission

Monday, June 3, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Blvd.

ment basin is a temporary pond built at or near a construction site to capture disturbed soil and protect water quality of nearby streams, lakes or rivers. The sedimentladen soil settles in the pond before the runoff is discharged.

According to Moraga's Public Works Director Edric Kwan, "It appears that the spoils have been removed from inside the damaged pipe and discharged into the basins. This is proper erosion sediment control so it doesn't go back into the storm drain."

The recent and surprisingly late May rainstorm has added additional water into the basins, which were erected and operational prior to that time.



Park and Recreation **Commission** Tuesday, June 18, 7 p.m. Council Chambers and Community Meeting Room, 335

Moraga School District Board Meetings

Rheem Blvd.

Tuesday, June 11, 7 p.m. Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School Auditorium, 1010 Camino Pablo, Moraga

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