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INPUT NEEDED ON WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

The public is invited to the first of two community workshops regarding updates to the existing Community Wildfire Protection Plan, (CWPP) also known as the Wildland Fire Plan. The workshop will be held at 6 p.m. on February 20 at Adams Elementary School, 2701 Las Positas Road.



Provide your input on the Community Wildfire Protection Plan at one of two upcoming workshops.

The CWPP was adopted by City Council in 2004, along with the programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Recent California fires that have devastated urban communities have heightened our community's perception of our vulnerability to wildfire. Recognizing the need to update both the CWPP and the EIR, in 2018 City staff began to research funding options and subsequently applied for a grant from CAL FIRE. In April, CAL FIRE awarded the City a grant for \$310,000. The grant assumes matching in-kind contributions of \$142,399 from the City Planning Department and Fire Prevention staff for time spent on the collaborative analysis of the consultant's finding and final draft of the CWPP and EIR.

On July 25, 2019, the Fire Department issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to professional consultants for the CWPP and EIR update and selected Dudek as the company qualified for the project. In 2014, they completed the City's current Wildland Fire Evacuation Plan.

Both the CWPP and EIR are scheduled to be completed by spring 2021 in accordance with the timeframes required to maintain grant funding. There are many steps involved in these processes. The first part of the project will be to conduct a hazard and risk assessment to complete a draft CWPP. Once the framework for the CWPP is established it will be followed by certification of a programmatic EIR.

Over the coming months we will begin a public outreach campaign as a successful CWPP includes input, involvement and continued participation from the community as a whole. The updated CWPP and EIR will serve as a framework for a comprehensive long-term resiliency plan used to prioritize future wildfire hazard protection projects and foster a collaborative approach with adjacent neighborhoods and jurisdictions. This update will enhance the current plan to identify and prioritize fuel reduction treatments and other wildfire hazard mitigation activities and provide a methodology for monitoring progress and accomplishments.

For more information about this project and to subscribe to the newsletter visit:
CWPP.SantaBarbaraCA.gov

GIBRALTAR RESERVOIR TURNS 100

The City of Santa Barbara's Gibraltar Reservoir is 100 years old! Construction of Gibraltar was completed on January 26, 1920. The reservoir is located nine miles north of the City, along the Santa Ynez River. Gibraltar has served an important role in providing the City with affordable drinking water for the past ten decades.



Gibraltar Reservoir has served a critical role in providing the City water for the last 100 years.

Prior to constructing Gibraltar, Santa Barbara relied entirely upon groundwater sources. Gibraltar, along with Mission Tunnel, introduced a much needed water supply that enabled Santa Barbara to grow and develop into a City. "To be able to tap into this pristine watershed was huge," said Joshua Haggmark, City Water Resources Manager. "Gibraltar was the first step in diversifying the City's water supply portfolio, and has continued to provide benefits for the past hundred years."

Gibraltar is an important component of the City's water portfolio, which includes Lake Cachuma, recycled water, imported state water, desalinated water, and groundwater. All of the City's water supplies, along with the community's extraordinary water conservation efforts, were essential with ensuring the City had sufficient drinking water supplies throughout the recent drought.

Happy 100th Birthday, Gibraltar!
To learn more about Gibraltar Reservoir, please visit **SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterSources**.

TWO NEW STREET SWEEPING HOLIDAYS ADDED THIS YEAR

The City of Santa Barbara will add Lincoln's Birthday (February 12) and Veterans Day (November 11) to the Street Sweeping holiday cancellation schedule. Lincoln's Birthday will be observed on Friday, February 14 this year. This change will provide better coordination with the Santa Barbara Unified School District's calendar and with other businesses and institutions that observe the two holidays. Parking enforcement and street sweeping services will be curtailed on both holidays, as well as the holidays that the City of Santa Barbara observes.



Two holidays were added to the street sweeping cancellation calendar.

The following are the 2020 Street Sweeping Holidays for the City of Santa Barbara:

- **New Year's Day**, Wednesday, January 1
- **Martin Luther King, Jr Day**, Monday, January 20
- **Lincoln's Birthday (observed)**, Friday, February 14
(other City services will be open)
- **Presidents' Day**, Monday, February 17
- **Cesar Chavez Day**, Tuesday, March 31
- **Memorial Day**, Monday, May 25
- **Independence Day (observed)**, Friday, July 3
- **Labor Day**, Monday, September 7
- **Veterans Day**, Wednesday, November 11
- **Thanksgiving Day**, Thursday, November 26
- **Day after Thanksgiving**, Friday, November 27
- **Christmas Day**, December 25
- **New Year's Day 2021**, Friday, January 1

If you have any questions, please contact the Streets Operations Division of Public Works at (805) 564-5454.

MOBY DICK HONORED AS 2019 WATER HERO

Moby Dick Restaurant has been awarded the 2019 City of Santa Barbara Water Hero Award for continuous water conservation practices including only serving water on request, proper maintenance of appliances and fixtures, installation of waterless urinals, and more. Moby Dick's water conservation efforts resulted in a 64% reduction in their water usage since 2015. To learn more about Moby Dick and past Water Heroes visit SantaBarbaraCa.gov/WaterHero.



Moby Dick's water conservation efforts have resulted in 64% savings since 2015. Photo courtesy of Moby Dick.

HARBORCAM LIVESTREAM IS AVAILABLE ONLINE

If you've ever wanted to take a trip to the Harbor but wanted to know what the weather was like first, you now have an easy option. The Waterfront Department now has a live webcam video stream available on our website. The camera is mounted on the outside of our office and faces almost due north. It offers a stunning, wide-angle view of the Harbor from the City Pier to the breakwater.



The link to the high resolution video stream can be found below the Mission Statement on the Waterfront's home page at SantaBarbaraCa.gov/Waterfront. You can also point your smart phone camera at the QR code to the left here to get to the page.



Take a peek at the Harbor at any time, from anywhere with the Harborcam Livestream.

So, whether you're a sailor looking for weather conditions, you're out of town and a little homesick, or you just like to watch the fishing vessels come and go, you now have a resource to go to.

\$150 REBATE

WASH, RINSE, REBATE...

HIGH EFFICIENCY WASHING MACHINE

\$150 REBATE

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