

SAN RAMON CANYON/25TH STREET STABILIZATION PROJECT

The City Council awarded a contract to Harris and Associates on May 17, 2011 to design the storm drainage system for the San Ramon Canyon. The design is based on Alternative 1A in the Project Study Report, which had been formally received by the City Council on January 18, 2011. The design is for the Tunnel Alignment, which has the advantages of being an all new system, that does not rely on any existing storm drains, is totally within the city of RPV and so under a single agency, has very little requirement for easement acquisition and has a lower environmental impact than the other system.

All preliminary geotechnical investigations have been completed and the design is substantially underway. The conceptual design with alignment has been refined and the 60% plans were submitted to the City for review on November 1, 2011.

The environmental documents have been completed and the draft is currently being reviewed. This will be available for release to the public during November for comment. Representatives from the environmental Resource Agencies will visit the site on November 2, 2011 to obtain a first-hand look at the proposed project conditions and give the City and Designers comments, which will be incorporated into the final environmental document.

Schedule: The completion of the design of the storm drainage system is scheduled for April 2012 and final approval of all bid documents including environmental is expected by spring 2012. If funding for the project is secured, it is possible that construction could begin before the end of 2012.

Funding: In September, the City was notified that the project was recommended for funding of a \$9.4 million state grant for the project by Department of Water Resources staff. If approved by the Director of Water Resources, a final award letter should be forthcoming in December for what amounts to 50% of the project's estimated cost. The City is currently developing resources for the matching funds required by the grant.

Preliminary Work: The 8" sewer main, which had been located close to the canyon edge, has been relocated closer to the road, away from the canyon. This has reduced the risk of losing the sewer.

