

November 1, 2021

Dear Neighbor,

I am writing to share some exciting news with you regarding Mt. San Antonio College's plan to preserve and expand existing coastal sage scrub habitat located within the West Parcel.

The West Parcel is a 37-acre portion of the Mt. SAC campus located west of Grand Avenue and south of Temple/Amar. The area to be set aside for the preservation and restoration work is approximately 8 acres located at the southwest corner of the West Parcel site. Restoration activities will include the removal of non-native and invasive plant species, and then new planting installations will be incorporated to expand the native California coastal sage scrub species that already exist in this area. This habitat restoration will benefit our natural environment since it will host a variety of native plant and animal species, especially a number of endangered songbirds. Reclaimed water will be used to temporarily irrigate the new plantings in order to relieve the stress on our freshwater supplies.

Attached you will find a color brochure that describes in more detail the work we will be doing to maintain and ensure the long-term success of the restored habitat.

Below is an estimated timeline of project activities:

- January 2022 – Removal of invasive plant species
- February 2022 – Planting of new native California coastal sage scrub species
- March 2022 – Reclaimed water irrigation piping installation
- April 2022 – Establishment period for new plantings
- June 2022 – Long-term maintenance of the restoration site begins

Questions and concerns about the West Parcel Habitat Restoration project should be directed to our Facilities Planning and Management Department at (909) 274-4850.

Sincerely,

Dr. William T. Scroggins
President & CEO