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To: Jennie Court Residents and Property Owners

Subject: Notice of Public Information Meeting and Request for Cooperation and Project Coordination

The City of Lafayette plans to reconstruct **Jennie Court** this summer. Prior to the reconstruction process, other utility companies may also perform work on these streets to update or relocate existing water, gas, electrical, or sewer lines. The City will present the planned street project at a **public meeting on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Lafayette Community Center located at 500 St. Mary's Road, in the Cedar Room. This is an opportunity for residents to provide input to the design and learn how the construction project may impact existing frontage improvements as well as your street access and traffic flow during construction.

We also request that each property owner evaluate the condition of your house sewer line (or lateral) prior to construction if your lateral is located beneath the street. Since these lines typically connect the house plumbing to the sewer main in the street, any needed repairs should be completed before the street reconstruction. If you have not replaced your sewer lateral within the last five years or your lateral requires regular maintenance, consider having the line inspected, and if necessary replaced, prior to May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. This work will require an encroachment permit from the City. If the work is done prior to this date, the City will waive the usual permit fee; however, a permit from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD) will still be required). Please note that the inspection and replacement of sanitary sewer laterals is not mandatory, but also be aware that any excavation work within the road after the resurfacing is complete will require extensive (and more expensive) restoration measures to mitigate the impacts on the new pavement.

During construction, the City's contractor will trim shrubs, low hanging tree limbs, and all other forms of vegetation to at least one foot behind the edge of the road and to 14 feet above the road. In some cases, such as juniper bushes or redwood trees, this may expose the bare interior of the vegetation. Construction contractors are not trained gardeners, and if you are concerned about the methods to be used in trimming the vegetation along your property frontage, please trim the vegetation yourself in advance of the project. Clearing the overhanging vegetation is required to allow clearance for the construction equipment and to protect trees and shrubs from more extensive damage during construction. Please be reminded that any vegetation that requires trimming or removal is currently on public property and is the maintenance responsibility of each fronting property owner.

Finally, if you would like special attention paid to private improvements such as sewer cleanouts, lighting, drainage, irrigation or other improvements within the public right of way that may be damaged due to the planned construction activities because they are not readily visible, please notify me in

writing so that they may be brought to the contractor's attention. Please be advised that without specific notification from you, we cannot be aware of improvements that are not easily seen in a casual inspection. We will make all reasonable attempts to protect private improvements from damage, but please be aware of the risks of having them located on public property.

I hope to have your attendance at the public meeting. If you have questions regarding this project, please contact me at 299-3245 or [MMoran@ci.lafayette.ca.us](mailto:MMoran@ci.lafayette.ca.us). Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Your new street is coming soon.

Sincerely,

Mike Moran  
Associate Engineer