Imperial Ave Update - Sewer Pipeline Rehabilitation Project

El Centro, CA March 19, 2021 – The City of El Centro’s Design and Installation of Energy Conservation and Operational Improvements Project, consisted for four (4) projects ("measures"). These measures focused on protecting the City of El Centro’s wastewater assets, implementing energy saving infrastructure for the wastewater aeration process, and replacing an aging sanitary sewer collection system trunk main.

With the 3rd measure completed, the 4th Measure - Sewer Pipeline Rehabilitation Project, consists of the replacement of 1,261 feet of trunk main, 300 feet of sanitary sewer service laterals, and 10 sanitary sewer manholes along Imperial Avenue, between Brighton Avenue and Barbara Worth Drive. Portions of the existing sewer pipeline were installed circa 1935, along with some masonry brick manholes still existing. These improvements were to eliminate groundwater infiltration into the sanitary sewer collection system along this segment.

The Project was limited to work during 8PM - 6AM in order to not impede with day time traffic along this main business arterial. With this measure being constructed within an older part of town, the measure was prolonged due to encountering old portions of the concrete road, unknown pipelines, and an unwavering groundwater level.

As the measure nears completion, Imperial Avenue southbound lanes (where the majority of the work is located) will receive a 1.5-inch mill and fill of new asphaltic concrete (AC) pavement surfacing. This roadway improvement is tentatively scheduled for completion by the end of April 2021.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude for your patience during this long awaited sanitary sewer improvement.

If you have any questions regarding this update, please contact the City of El Centro, Engineering Division at 760-337-5182.

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