



CITY OF  
**MODESTO**  
CALIFORNIA



# JULY 2024

## CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

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Monthly Report  
to the City of Modesto  
City Council & Community

# City Managers Monthly Update



Council and Community:

I am pleased to report on our city's ongoing development and enhancement efforts. This month, we have seen significant road improvements, park upgrades thanks to Measure H, and advances in our water main projects to ensure reliable and efficient service. These initiatives will positively impact our community and quality of life.

Monthly Financials are not provided this month. The month of July and August have multiple journal entries that accrue back into the prior fiscal year which can cause changes in the actual amounts on a weekly basis. Due to this, the figures will not be reported for the month of July and August until the September update. At that time, we will be able to provide a better picture as well as a comparison of the months of July, August, and September in terms of revenue and expense increases and decreases.

On page 4, **Engineering Services** announced that the new roundabouts at the intersections of Paradise Road and Chicago Avenue, as well as Washington Street and I Street, are now open to traffic. These improvements are a significant milestone in our efforts to enhance safety for pedestrians and streamline traffic flow in central Modesto. With these modern roundabouts in place, we anticipate smoother commutes and a safer environment for all road users.

The **Fire** Department released data on the types of fires reported in July. This month, we saw a substantial 76% increase in vegetation fires, with 113 incidents compared to 64 in June. This rise is not unexpected, given the prolonged weeks of 100-degree temperatures we experienced in July. Additionally, there has been a notable increase in both service calls and overall fire incidents. You will find this information on Page 6.

**Measure H** funding for deferred and preventative park maintenance has enabled us to make substantial strides in enhancing our community facilities. We have been able to complete resurfacing projects for the tennis and pickleball courts at two parks, ensuring they remain in excellent condition for recreational use. Additionally, the parking lot at the McHenry Museum has been repaved, improving accessibility and safety for visitors. Tree trimming efforts have also commenced at seven parks. More about these projects can be found on pages 10 through 12.

As we continue to invest in the future of our city, your feedback and support are invaluable. If you have any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Together, we're building a better, more vibrant community for everyone. Stay tuned for more updates in the coming months.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph P. Lopez". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joseph P. Lopez

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# Engineering Services

## Paradise Road Active Transportation Program Cycle 3 Project Code 101042

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$11,621,279
Encumbered	\$3,434,877
Expended	\$6,726,461
Available	\$1,828,980
Revenues	
City Funds	\$11,621,279
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$3,943,000
Other Funds	\$7,678,279
Total	\$11,621,279
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** Fall 2024

**Phase:** Construction

The purpose of the project is to increase safety for bicyclists and pedestrians in the Paradise Road area and is needed to accommodate other modes of travel through central Modesto. Pavement maintenance will be completed on Paradise Road: Sheridan Street to 1st Street; South Jefferson Street: Paradise Road to Vine Street; 1st Street: Vine Street to Sierra Drive; G Street: Sierra Drive to 2nd Street. The scope of this work includes the installation of sidewalks to fill gaps; installation of class II bicycle lanes; pedestrian crossings with refuge islands; curb extensions, medians, roundabouts, speed tables for traffic calming; and the installation of rapid flashing beacons pedestrian crossings.

**Latest Project Status:** The Paradise Road and Chicago Avenue and the Washington Street and I Street intersection roundabouts are open.



# Modesto Fire Department

We were delighted to swear in Kevin Wise as the City of Modesto's Fire Chief on June 25, 2024. His long tenure of strong leadership and collaboration is an asset to our community. With his genuine commitment to service, he is dedicated to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of the communities we serve. We look forward to his contributions to the rich history and traditions of the Modesto Fire Department.

Congratulations!



## July 2024 Fire Department Recap



Total Calls for Service  11%

Total Fire Incidents  46%

Average Response Time – no change

Average Turnout Time – no change

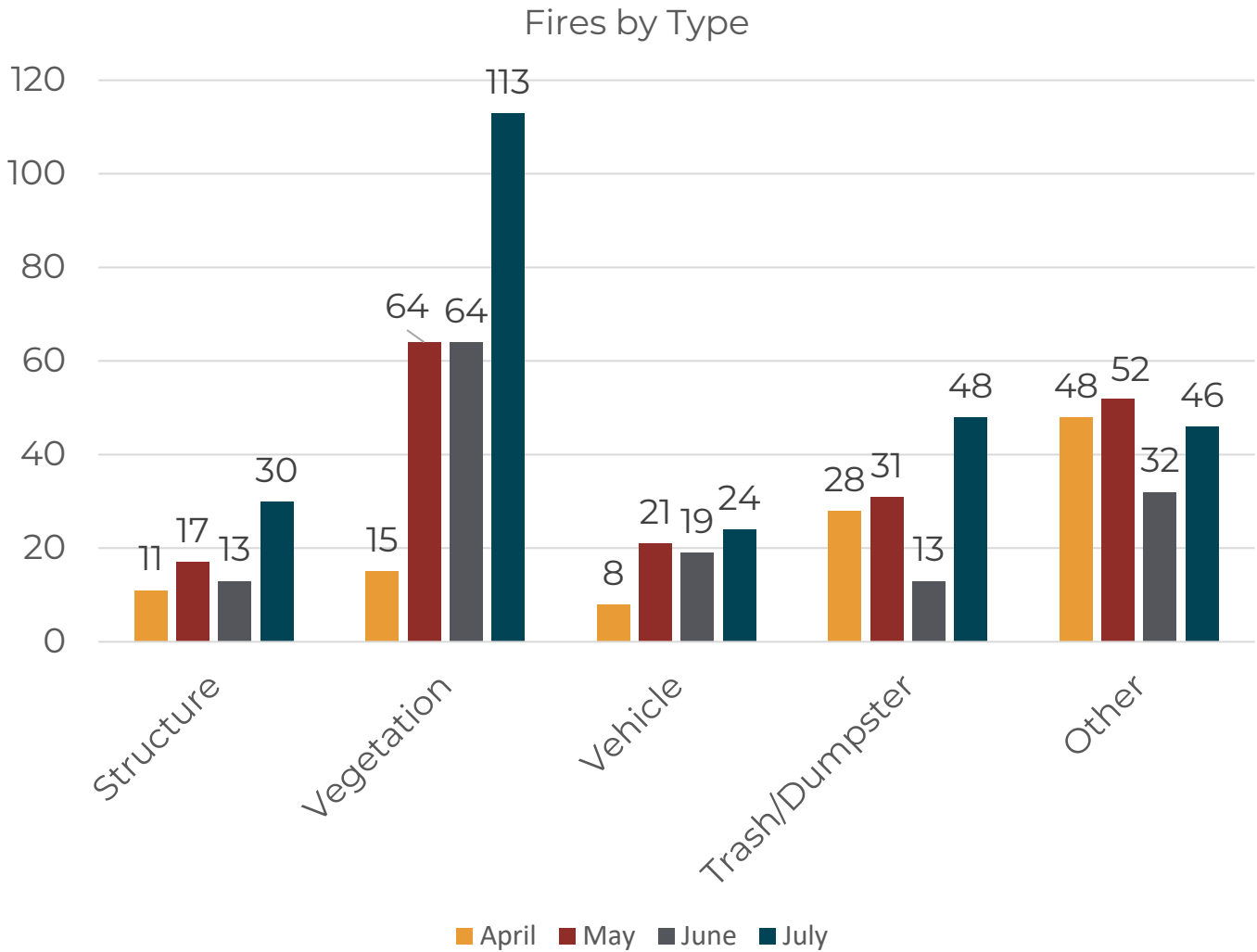
Total EMS Calls  0.8%

Total Vehicle Accidents  9%

# July 2024 Fire Department Recap, continued

Top Five Busiest Stations  
Calls for Service

Station 1	Station 5	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4
687	574	416	400	296



# Modesto Police Department

## July 2024 Recap



Major Crime    ↓ -4%

Auto Theft    ↑ +2%

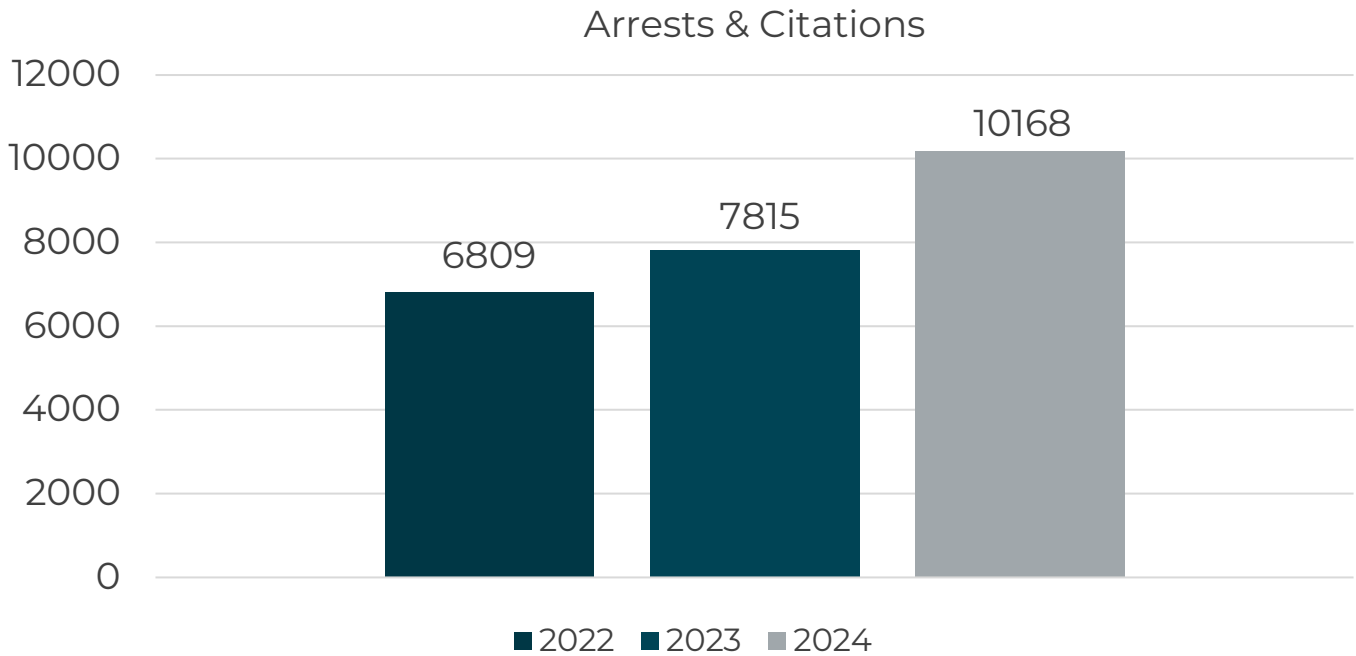
Commercial Burglary    ↑ +6%

Vehicle Larceny    ↓ -17%

Robbery    ↑ +14%

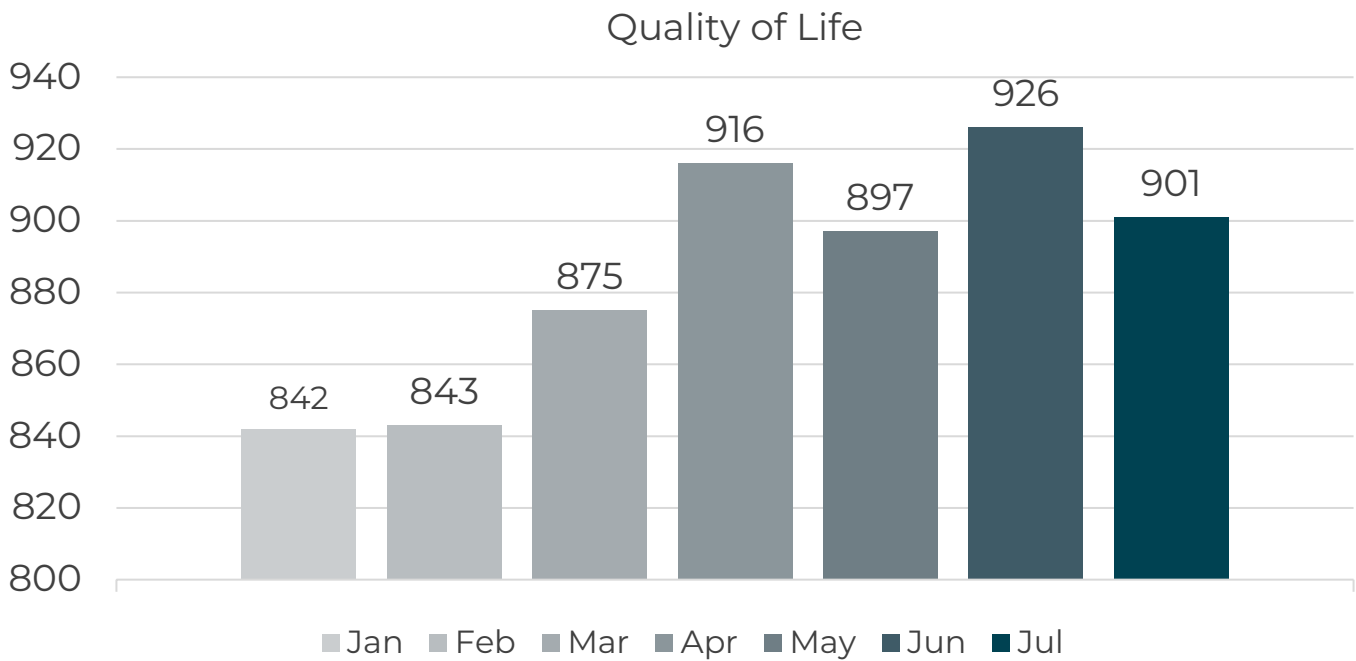
Residential Burglary    ↓ -6%

# Police Department Year to Date Comparison 2023 to 2024



The number of arrests and citations may fluctuate due to record processing.

The following chart represents quality of life Calls For Service initiated by citizens for the City of Modesto. These statistics are generated using Geoshield.



# Measure H

## Deferred Maintenance

### Project Code 101517

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$6,100,000
Encumbered	\$1,836,868
Expended	\$197,664
Available	\$4,065,599
Revenues	
City Funds	\$6,100,000
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$6,100,000
Received	\$6,100,000

**Estimated Completion Date:** December 2024

**Phase:** Construction in various phases

Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods established a multi-year plan to systematically address the deferred and preventative maintenance in our park system. In June 2023, Council approved the FY 2023-2024 budget, which included \$6,100,000 of Measure H funding for deferred park maintenance projects which include: playground renovations at 8 parks, tennis court lighting upgrades at six parks, sand volleyball court improvements at East La Loma Park, removal of restroom shade canopies at four parks, synthetic turf replacement at Mary E. Grogan Park, restroom replacement at three parks and facility renovations for Maddux Youth Center.

**Latest Project Status:** A design contract was awarded for the final two playground renovations: Coleman Brown Park and Davis Park. Formal bids were received for the tennis court lighting project and will be presented to the Council for consideration and award on August 27, 2024. Finally, a design contract was awarded to prepare the construction documents for the restroom replacements at Graceada Park, Mark Twain Park, and Robertson Road Park.

## Preventative Maintenance Project Code 101518

<b>Expenses</b>	
Project Budget	\$2,170,000
Encumbered	\$136,399
Expended	\$1,008,858
Available	\$1,024,744
<b>Revenues</b>	
City Funds	\$2,170,000
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$2,170,000
Received	\$2,170,000

**Estimated Completion Date:** December 2024  
**Phase:** Construction in various phases

Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods established a multi-year plan to systematically address the deferred and preventative maintenance in our park system. In June 2023, Council approved the FY 2023-2024 budget, which included \$2,170,000 of Measure H funding for preventative park maintenance projects which include: basketball/volleyball court seal and striping at 12 parks, tennis court resurfacing at 5 parks, concrete repairs/tripping hazards and Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) of 1990 issues at 12 parks, park security lighting upgrades at 4 parks, and parking lot slurry seal and striping at 6 parks.

**Latest Project Status:** Resurfacing was completed on the tennis courts and pickleball courts at Beyer Community Park, and the tennis courts at Sutton Park. In addition, the parking lot at the McHenry Museum was repaved.

# Preventative Maintenance Project Code 101602

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$2,852,000
Encumbered	\$186,866
Expended	\$12,442
Available	\$2,652,692
Revenues	
City Funds	\$2,852,000
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$2,852,000
Received	\$2,852,000

**Estimated Completion Date:** June 2025  
**Phase:** Construction in various phases

Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods established a multi-year plan to systematically address the deferred and preventative maintenance in our park system. In June 2024, Council approved the FY 2024-2025 budget, which included \$2,852,000 of Measure H funding for preventative park maintenance projects which include: basketball/volleyball court seal and striping at 9 parks, tennis court resurfacing at 5 parks, concrete repairs/tripping hazards and Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) of 1990 issues at 11 parks, park security lighting upgrades at 3 parks, new signs at 6 parks, and tree trimming for approximately 20 parks.

**Latest Project Status:** Signs were ordered for Mildred Perkins Park, Sipherd Park, Robertson Road Park, Catherine Everett Park, Brewer’s Rose Park and Graceada Park. Tree trimming began at Muncy Park, City Gate Children’s Park, McKinney Colony Park, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Helen White Trail, Eisenhut Park, Aqueduct Park, and Chrysler 99 Park.



# Parks, Recreation & Neighborhoods

## The Awesome Spot Playground

### Project Code 100984

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$1,693,013
Encumbered	\$172,400
Expended	\$494,723
Available	\$1,025,890
Revenues	
City Funds	\$184,763
Federal Funds	\$1,100,000
State Funds	\$400,000
Other Funds	\$8,250
Total	\$1,693,013
Received	\$338,613

**Estimated Completion Date:** Winter 2024

**Phase:** Construction

The Awesome Spot Playground Team (TASP) has partnered with the City of Modesto, to design an all-inclusive playground at Beyer Community Park. The playground will feature sensory-integrated playground equipment designed to eliminate social, physical, and cognitive barriers from play.

**Latest Project Status:** Work continues on grading and compacting the subgrade for concrete paths and paving throughout the site.

# Parks Turf Reduction Phase 1 Project Codes 101426 & 101555

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$2,224,939
Encumbered	\$5,830
Expended	\$412,359
Available	\$1,806,750
Revenues	
City Funds	\$0
Federal Funds	\$225,000
State Funds	\$1,999,939
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$2,224,939
Received	\$289,862

**Estimated Completion Date:** Summer 2024  
**Phase:** *Construction Completed!*

Phase 1 of this project consists of the removal of approximately 2.95 Acres of turf at four parks (Orchard Park, Moran Estates Park, East La Loma Park and Chrysler Park). The water savings anticipated is approximately 3,850,000 gallons annually.

**Latest Project Status:** Construction is complete at all four sites and the 120-day landscape maintenance and establishment period is underway. Parks will remain open to the public during this establishment period.



# Utilities

## Empire Yosemite Boulevard Strengthen & Replace Water Main Crossings Project Code 101458

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$1,472,113
Encumbered	\$55,706
Expended	\$1,122,758
Available	\$293,649
Revenues	
City Funds	\$1,472,113
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** June 2024  
**Phase:** *Construction Completed!*

This project will rehabilitate approximately 1,335 linear feet of water mains along Yosemite Boulevard in Empire, CA. The water mains along Yosemite Boulevard are old undersized mains which are prone to leaks and low pressure. The project will replace the existing system with City of Modesto standard water mains, valves, and hydrants to improve system reliability, flows and pressures.

**Latest Project Status:**

The contractor has finished addressing all on-site punch list items, concluding all physical work. The project is nearing completion with the close-out phase underway. The City is currently awaiting submission of redline as-built plans, as well as the return of a few materials to operations staff.

# Grayson Well 69 (Replacing Well 274) Project Code 101080

<b>Expenses</b>	
Project Budget	\$4,238,236
Encumbered	\$242,910
Expended	\$3,932,245
Available	\$63,081
<b>Revenues</b>	
City Funds	\$4,238,236
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** August 2024  
**Phase:** Construction

This project will provide funding for the construction of the surface improvements for the former Well 274 and is intended to limit the amount of treatment and restore the well to its optimum capacity in the town of Grayson. The project will deliver engineering services during construction. Work will include construction of above ground improvements for the well, construction of above well appurtenances, well house, piping, electrical work and infrastructure for a future tank and booster pump.

**Latest Project Status:** This project is 98% complete. The site antenna and alarm system has been installed and progress is ongoing with electrical instrumentation.

# J.M. Pike Park Cross Connection Removal Project Code 101313

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$29,411,744
Encumbered	\$17,303,855
Expended	\$9,181,874
Available	\$2,926,015
Revenues	
City Funds	\$29,411,744
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$10,000,000
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** Summer 2025  
**Phase:** Construction

This project will remove non-functioning rock wells and stormwater to sanitary sewer cross-connections, install new storm drain piping and inlets, a new underground stormwater storage system at J.M. Pike Park, and replace water mains, meters, services, and fire hydrants in select locations throughout the J.M. Pike Park neighborhood.

**Latest Project Status:**

The contractor has continued excavation at the park site and installed the underground stormwater storage chambers, along with the associated piping and fittings. Installation of the stormwater trunk on Fordham Avenue has been completed and temporary pavement has been placed over the stormwater trunk trench on Kearney Avenue.



# J.M. Pike Park Neighborhood Strengthen & Replace Water Mains

## Project Code 100851

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$11,299,582
Encumbered	\$7,531,582
Expended	\$2,613,609
Available	\$1,154,681
Revenues	
City Funds	\$11,299,582
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** February 2025  
**Phase:** Construction

This project will rehabilitate approximately 1,335 linear feet of water mains along Yosemite Boulevard in Empire, CA. The water mains along Yosemite Boulevard are old undersized mains which are prone to leaks and low pressure. The project will replace the existing system with City of Modesto standard water mains, valves, and hydrants to improve system reliability, flows and pressures.

**Latest Project Status:**

Construction is 40% completed. This month, potholing operations were completed and installation of 1-inch water services continued. Some modifications to hose bibs were required at connections. The installation of 8-inch water main began on Princeton Avenue.

# La Loma Phase 2C Strengthen & Replace Water Mains Project Code 101057

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$9,963,140
Encumbered	\$2,026,981
Expended	\$6,957,970
Available	\$978,189
Revenues	
City Funds	\$9,963,140
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** August 2024  
**Phase:** Construction

This project consists of the rehabilitation of 26,000 linear feet of water mains in the La Loma Avenue neighborhood, bordered by Encina Avenue to the north, Yosemite Blvd to the south, Rowland Avenue to the west, and San Juan Drive to the east. The existing water system will be upgraded to City standard mains, valves, and hydrants, enhancing system reliability, flows, and pressures. Additionally, around 600 linear feet of 8-inch sewer mains and manholes will be installed, replacing aging 6-inch sewer lines.

**Latest Project Status:**

Current work includes installation of fire hydrant hot taps to mains, alley connections to mains, installation of 1-inch services, water main testing, and installation of meter boxes. Concrete repair work began for curb, gutter, and sidewalks.



# La Loma Phase 3A Strengthen & Replace Water Mains Project Code 100953

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$8,112,021
Encumbered	\$817,467
Expended	\$6,161,021
Available	\$1,133,534
Revenues	
City Funds	\$8,112,021
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** August 2024

**Phase:** Construction

This project will replace approximately 19,200 linear feet of aged existing water mains within the La Loma Neighborhood generally bounded by Trask Lane on the east, Encina Avenue on the north, El Vista Avenue on the west, and Yosemite Boulevard on the south. Existing water mains in this area are old, undersized steel mains which are prone to leaking and low pressures. This project will replace the existing system with City standard water mains, valves, and hydrants to improve system reliability, flows and pressures.

**Latest Project Status:**

Trench paving has been completed. Next steps will be to bring manhole grade rings to grade (raise iron) and completion of road striping.



# River Trunk Realignment Gravity System Project Code 101290

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$27,162,749
Encumbered	\$632,498
Expended	\$24,725,093
Available	\$1,805,158
Revenues	
City Funds	\$27,162,749
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** Summer 2024  
**Phase:** Construction

This project was created to address the flow capacity deficiencies and aging infrastructure for the river trunk. The gravity system is phase two of the three-phase realignment project. It consists of over 9,000 linear feet of large diameter gravity sewer pipe, and adjacent water main rehabilitation on Colorado Avenue.

**Latest Project Status:**

Over the past month, the contractor continued coordinating with utility companies and managed the daily installation and monitoring of traffic control and detour signs for work on Colorado Avenue. They also adjusted manhole and water valve box grades along Garden Avenue and Colorado Avenue and applied thermoplastic striping and turn arrows on Colorado Avenue and Tuolumne Boulevard.



# River Trunk Realignment Shackelford Project Code 101291

Expenses	
Project Budget	\$14,593,613
Encumbered	\$1,793,505
Expended	\$11,793,602
Available	\$1,006,506
Revenues	
City Funds	\$14,593,613
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** Summer 2024  
**Phase:** Construction

The River Trunk Realignment Shackelford Pump Station Project will redirect flow from the existing river trunk line to the new river trunk line that is going to be installed along Colorado Avenue as a part of the Gravity System project which is currently under construction. The project will also incorporate a gravity line from Neece Drive to the new river trunk and plug the line that goes into the existing river trunk line. The wastewater from the Dryden Golf Course clubhouse will also be brought into the new river trunk line under this project.

**Latest Project Status:**

This month's activities include continued installation of various electrical conduits, installation of diverse control panels, and the pre-inspection for Turlock Irrigation District services.



# West Trunk Rehabilitation Project Code 101094

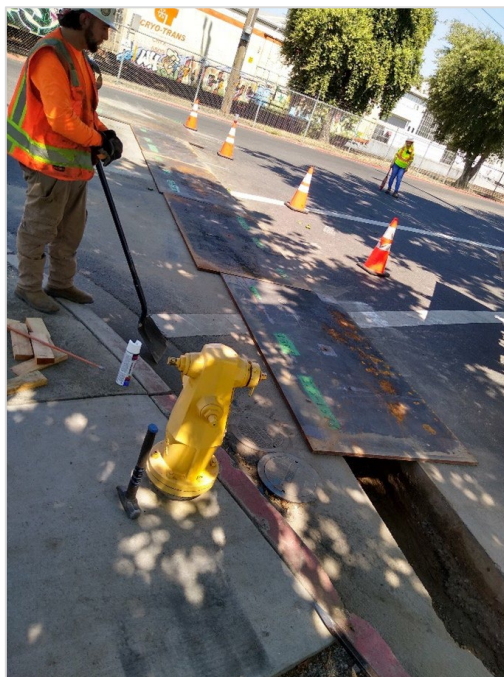
Expenses	
Project Budget	\$22,584,837
Encumbered	\$17,611,658
Expended	\$1,324,020
Available	\$3,649,159
Revenues	
City Funds	\$22,584,837
Federal Funds	\$0
State Funds	\$0
Other Funds	\$0
Total	\$0
Received	\$0

**Estimated Completion Date:** Summer 2025  
**Phase:** Construction

This project will rehabilitate about 8,400 linear feet of sewer pipe, including the 18-inch section of the Emerald Trunk that starts near the intersection of Coldwell Avenue and North 9th Street and ends at West Roseburg Avenue and Carver Road. A 100-foot section of 60-inch unlined reinforced concrete pipe at the Regional Water Recycling Facility - Sutter Campus, 1,700 linear feet of the Santa Rosa Sewer Trunk, and 700 linear feet of the Lakewood Sewer Trunk will also be rehabilitated. Additionally, the project includes the rehabilitation of numerous manholes.

**Latest Project Status:**

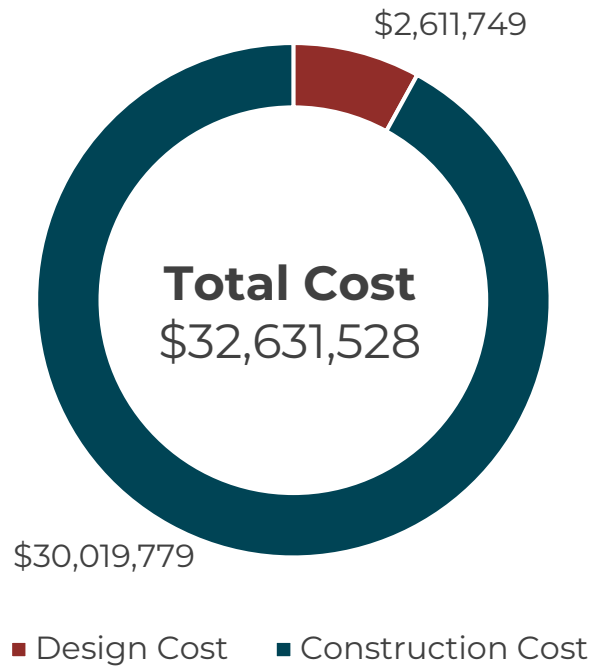
In the past month, the domestic and cannery segregation lines were cleaned and the condition assessment report requested by the State of California was finalized. In addition, the contractor installed the bypass pumping needed to rehabilitate the Santa Rosa Trunk.



# Upcoming Projects

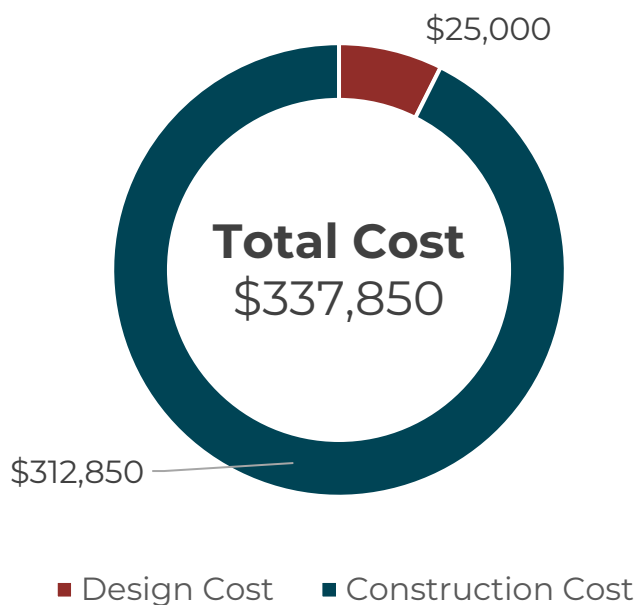
## Engineering Services

- 9<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor Improvements
- Bike Trail along MID Canal\*
- Claratina - McHenry/Coffee 4 Lane
- Claratina Phase 1 – Hetch Hetchy Crossing
- Dry Creek Trail Phase 2
- Scenic Drive Pavement Rehab Phase 2
- Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program\*
- Tully Road Safety Improvements\*



## Fire Department

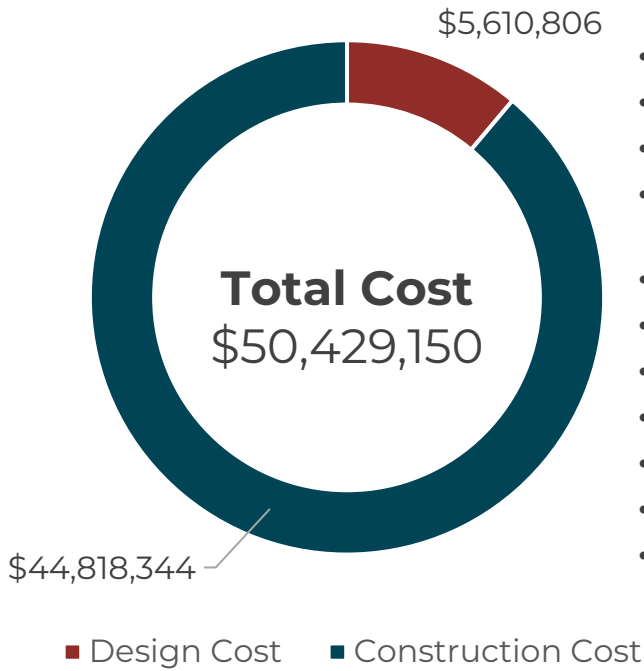
### Station 1 Roof Replacement



\*Funded by Measure L

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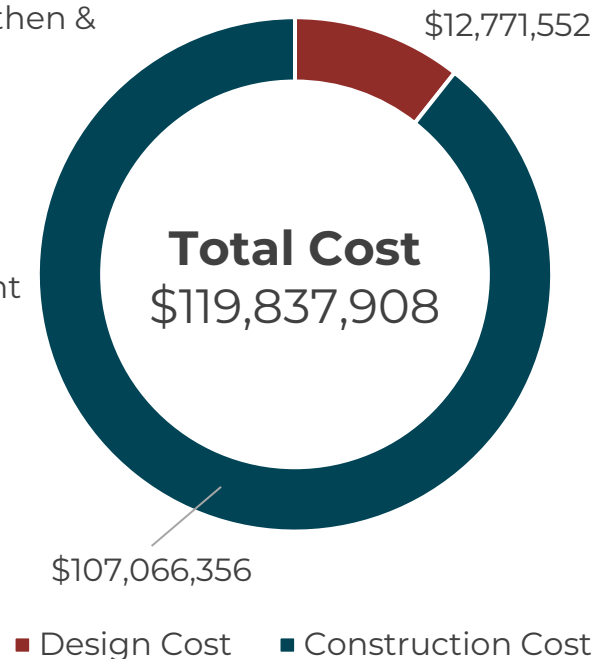
## Parks, Recreation & Neighborhoods



- Cesar E. Chavez Park Renovation
- Downey Shade Structure & Parking Lot Replacement
- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park Renovation
- Dry Creek Connection to Tuolumne River Regional Park (TRRP) Trail
- Dryden Golf Course Clubhouse Reconstruction
- Mary E. Grogan Park Phase 2
- TRRP Master Plan Update
- TRRP River Overlook
- TRRP Riverwalk Trail - Gateway to Legion Park
- TRRP Riverwalk Trail - Gateway to Neece Drive
- Virginia Corridor Phase 7

## Utilities

- 2020-2021 Sewer Line Replacement
- Bret Harte Elementary Neighborhood Strengthen & Replace (S&R) – Phase 1
- Bystrum Area Phase 1 S&R
- Chicago Paradise Area S&R
- Codoni Life Station Improvements
- Coffee Water Mains S&R
- East Morris Neighborhood Sewer Replacement
- Empire S&R Water Mains Phases 2 & 3
- Highway 99 S&R Water Main Crossings
- Paradise Grimes Ohio Area S&R
- Sonoma Trunk Phase 3 & 4
- South Modesto Areas S&R
- Sutter Neighborhood S&R Water Mains
- Various Flush Lines
- Wells 40, 41 & 265 Flush Lines
- Well 312 Treatment System & Flush Lines
- Woodland Lift Station Rehabilitation
- Yosemite Transmission Main





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