

Stivers Lagoon Restoration Project

Overview

Stivers Lagoon marsh, encompassing an area of approximately 40 acres to the southeast of Lake Elizabeth in the City of Fremont's Central Park, has evolved into an emergent wetland that dries out in the summertime. Over time, the Stivers Lagoon marsh has deteriorated as lower groundwater levels and other hydrologic changes have reduced habitat values for wetland plant species and facilitated the growth of upland plant species.

With the support of Senator Bob Wieckowski, the State Coastal Conservancy Board, at its 9/22/2022 meeting, approved the grant of funds in the amount of two million one hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$2,160,000) to the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) for the Stivers Lagoon Restoration Project (Project). Funding agreement was executed on 12/15/2023.

The Project will restore and enhance the hydrology of Stivers Lagoon by diverting some flows from Mission Creek into a new excavated long pond in Stivers Lagoon, enhancing habitat value in the marsh, installing a new pedestrian bridge over Mission Creek connecting the parking lot and the Stivers Lagoon, and constructing new catwalk and other recreational features within the Project area. While the District is constructing the recreations features, those features will be operated and maintained by the City of Fremont under the existing Memorandum of Understanding executed on 12/30/2023.



Project Construction Cost

\$3,350,000 — Funding: \$2,160,000 (State Coastal Conservancy) plus Local District match.

Status

- Ponds within Stivers Lagoon Marsh have been graded.
- Basking logs have been constructed within the marsh.
- Log inlet structure has been constructed.
- Pedestrian concrete walkway has been constructed.
- Pedestrian bridge crossing Mission Creek has been installed.
- Stockpile has been graded.
- Revegetation is ongoing and anticipated to be completed by January 2026.
- Pedestrian catwalk and amenities installation anticipated to be completed by July 2026.

Construction Start Date

Construction work began on 2/26/2025.

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