# **Valley Ridge Storm Pond Cleaning**

## February 2021

### **Background**

The Valley Ridge community is serviced by the Valley Ridge Sanitary Lift Station. A lift station helps pump wastewater from a community to one of The City's wastewater treatment facilities when gravity is not sufficient to do so. In late December 2020, the sanitary forcemain (pressurized piping) exiting the lift station failed and was subsequently repaired. As part of the clean-up from this failure, we are removing sediment from the nearby storm ponds located within the Valley Ridge Golf Club. This work is critical to protecting the health of our rivers.

## **Project description**

Water within the ponds will be pumped into the existing sanitary collection system. Once drained of water, the remaining sediment within the ponds will be removed using heavy equipment, and trucked to an appropriate disposal site.

#### **Project timeline**

The project will begin in early February and is expected to be completed by the end of March.

#### **Project impacts**

- Several areas of the Valley Ridge Golf Club and pathways through the golf course will be inaccessible for the duration of the work. Access to properties will be maintained. Onsite signage will indicate closures.
- There will be increased traffic on roads into the site, including heavy construction vehicles.
- Some areas of the Valley Ridge Golf Club parking lot will be inaccessible.

- There may be increased noise from construction vehicles.
- There may be increased noise from pumps used to remove water from the ponds until approximately mid-February.
- While water is being removed from the ponds, there may be odours as organic materials are exposed to air. There are no associated health or safety concerns, but we will be monitoring.
- For safety, the work site will be fenced, and all inaccessible areas will be signed. Access will be restricted to City of Calgary personnel and contractors only.

#### Work during the COVID-19 panedemic

The City of Calgary continues to treat, test and deliver high-quality water to Calgarians during the COVID-19 pandemic. While we prioritize the delivery of essential services, our capital construction programs are moving forward where possible. These projects are critical to supporting current and future development. We are working closely with our partners and will continue to monitor the current situation, making adjustments as needed.

Our most important priority remains the health, safety and well-being of our staff and contractors. We continue to put in place new measures and protocols to ensure public health is protected.

# **Project information or questions**

The City of Calgary is committed to protecting the health of our rivers. We apologize to residents for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

For any questions or concerns about this work, please contact 311. For more information, visit <a href="mailto:calgary.ca/waterprojects">calgary.ca/waterprojects</a>

# Project location and layout map

